

**Highland School District #203
Regular Board Meeting
Highland High School Classitorium
Tuesday, April 15, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.**

The **April 15, 2014, Regular Board Meeting** was called to order by Chair Nikki Keller at 7:00 p.m. Others present included Board Members Becky Laughery, Chris Garent, and David Barnes; Director of Business and Operations Francis Badu; Recording Secretary Lupe Paniagua; Director of Student Services Barb Gilbert; Principals Mindy Schultz, Brandon Jensen, Kelly Thorson, Russ Hill, Athletic Director/Asst. Principal Don Strother were excused from the meeting. Superintendent Mark Anderson and Board Member Matt Barker were unable to attend.

Chris led the **flag salute**.

Becky moved, with 2nd by Chris, to approve the **minutes of the March 4, 2014 Special Board Meeting and the March 18, 2014 Regular Board Meeting** with the appropriate changes suggested by the Board; motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Director of Student Services Barb Gilbert presented the **Positive Insight**. She referred the Board to the two handouts and went over the current and future state testing requirements. She updated the Board on the new Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) testing requirements and said the new test will be replacing the math, reading and writing portion of the MSP for students in grades 3rd -8th. The Science portion of the MSP will remain the same for grades 5th -8th. The 11th grade students will take a new Smarter Balanced test. Barb also updated the Board on the assessment requirements for Certificate of Academic Achievement (CCA), and the current Assessment MSP & SBAC testing for the 2013-2014 school year. After further discussion the Board thanked Barb for all the information.

Administrator Reports

The Board read the reports prior to the meeting.

Board Chair Nikki Keller read a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Highland Community Church for allowing them to have their weekly worship services.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Francis presented the *3rd Reading of Revised Policy & Procedure 3510 ASB*. After some discussion Chris moved, with 2nd by Becky to table the policy for the next meeting; motion passed.

Francis presented the *3rd Reading of Proposal Policy & Procedure 3515 Student Incentives*. After some discussion Chris moved, with 2nd by Becky to table the policy for the next meeting; motion passed.

Nikki presented the *2nd Reading of Revised Policy 3122 Excused & Unexcused Absences*. After some discussion the Board will have a 3rd reading in the next meeting.

Nikki presented the *2nd Reading of Revised Policy & Procedure 2024 Online Learning*. After some discussion the Board will have a 3rd reading in the next meeting.

Director of Business and Operations Francis Badu updated the Board on the **Facilities Committee** and said if the bond were to pass, prioritizing the school needs is essential. He went over some of the items.

NEW BUSINESS

Nikki presented itinerary for the 2014 Senior Trip. After some discussion the Board decided to have a Special Board Meeting on May 6th, 2014 to approve the out of state senior trip.

Francis presented the **Budget Status/Enrollment and Operations Report**. He said for enrollment we are looking at 1,195 students for the month of April. The March fund balances are \$769,460 for General Fund, \$68,982 for Capital Projects, \$823,898 for Debt Services, \$113,775 for ASB and \$616 for Transportation. Francis talked about the need to slow spending the rest of this year. Francis included ASB Fund balances for the Board to review. All questions were answered by Francis at that time.

Nikki presented the **Personnel Report**. After a brief discussion, Chris moved, with 2nd by Becky to approve the personnel report as presented; motion passed.

Becky said she had no **Legislative Report** for this month.

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After brief discussion, it was moved by Becky and 2nd by Chris to approve payments of **General Fund bills** for \$135,113.05 with warrants 61533 through 61644; the **ASB Fund bills** for \$17,141.48 with warrants 5338 through 5356; and the **Payroll Fund bills** for \$319,587.21 with warrants 61645 through 61701 and \$553,815.83 by direct deposit as presented; motion passed.

There being no further business, Nikki adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Chair

Secretary