

**Highland School District #203  
Regular Board Meeting  
Highland High School Classitorium  
Tuesday, January 19, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.**

The **January 19, 2016, Regular Board Meeting** was called to order by Acting Chair Matt Barker at 7:00 p.m. Others present included Board Members David Barnes and Lupita Flores, Superintendent Mark Anderson; and Recording Secretary Julie Notman. Board members Nikki Keller and Chris Garent, and Director of Business and Operations Francis Badu were unable to attend the meeting.

Lupita led the **flag salute**.

**Reorganization of the Board:** Superintendent Mark Anderson conducted the Oath of Office for returning board member Matt Barker and newly elected board member Lupita Flores. Matt noted that the board will serve in the following positions: Chris Garnet Board Chair and WIAA Chair; Nikki Keller Board Vice-Chair; Matt Barker Director and Title IX Rep; David Barnes Director, Legislative Rep, and Policy Committee Rep; and Lupita Flores Director.

The board members had time to read the minutes from December's meetings. Matt requested an edit to the minutes of both meetings. After a brief explanation and discussion, David moved to accept the **amended minutes of the December 1, 2015 Work Study Session** and the **amended minutes of the December 16, 2015 Special Board Meeting**, Lupita 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

There was no **Public Comment**. Mark explained that it is customary to have a public comment time on the agenda.

All Board members had the opportunity to review the **Administrator Reports** prior to the meeting. There were no questions.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Reading Policy 6700 Nutrition and Physical Fitness:** David moved to accept the revised 6700 Nutrition and Physical Fitness Policy and Procedures, Lupita 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There were no questions about the **Overnight Travel Request** for the HHS wrestling team to travel to out-of-the-area wrestling tournaments. David moved to accept the requests to travel to the three tournaments in Auburn, Kalama, and Castlerock, Lupita 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed.

Mark presented **Resolution #6-15 Limited General Obligation Bond**. There was some discussion about which track and field areas the bond will pay for. It will cover the cost of installing new field event runs and pits which are anticipated to be available for this spring season, weather permitting, so the team can have full practices. The pole vault will have a temporary pit this year. The bond does not cover resurfacing the track itself. Cost estimates are still being gathered for concrete runs with rubber surfaces. David moved and Lupita 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept the Bond Counsel Engagement, the Bond Purchase Agreement, and Resolution #6-15; voting was as follows: David-Aye, Lupita-Aye, Matt-Aye; motion passed.

Due to weather related poor road conditions, Francis was not at the meeting to present the **Budget Status/Enrollment and Operations Report**, however the board members had each had time to read the supplied reports. David noted the high number of students being withdrawn and there followed discussion about families traveling to Mexico for a period of time then returning and reenrolling their students. Mark explained the withdrawal and reenrollment procedures in relation to migrant families, and state and migrant program enrollment rules.

Mark presented the **Personnel Report** and detailed a couple of shifts in position within the district. After a brief discussion including an explanation about an employee's right to submit a grievance, David moved, with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lupita, to approve the personnel report as presented; motion passed.

David noted there is no **Legislative Report** for this month. He mentioned that the promise of fully funded education is still without resolve, and that the Every Student Succeeds Act/ESSA starts in August. The district is obligated to honor the SES tutoring contracts for 2015-16 but next year because ESSA is replacing *No Student Left Behind* the district will have local control over those funds and will instead be able to provide programs that will best serve Highland students. Also, the Highly Qualified requirement will be dropped so the district will have more leeway in hiring qualified applicants.

The board members had a chance to review the payment of bills report and it was moved by David and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lupita, to approve payments of **General Fund bills** for \$194,669.97 with warrants 65023 through 65137; the **ASB Fund bills** for \$9,616.82 with warrants 5685 through 5701; **Capitol Projects bills** for \$8,685.82 with warrants 356 through 359; and the **Payroll Fund bills** for \$312,467.25 with warrants 65138 through 65172 and \$592,912.72 by direct deposit as presented; motion passed.

There being no further business, Matt adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary