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Union Colony Schools Board Minutes

October 9, 2021

Members in Attendance:

Administration in Attendance:

Jemiah Fowler, UCS Executive Director

Heather Bunyan, President
Veronica Armendariz, Vice President
Kristen Arnold, Treasurer
Ron Lamb, Member
Jeremy Herndon, Member

Members Absent

Ashleigh Jacks
Jamie Wood

The board meeting was held at Union Colony Elementary School on October 9, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 8:03.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Staff Presentations

Marissa Hutchins, Spanish teacher at Union Colony Prep School, talked to the board about how students that come to us in middle school struggle because of language skills but progress by their senior year with the support of teachers at the Prep School. She gave examples of working with 8th graders to teach them how to read and follow directions in a recipe.

Action Items

- Consent agenda was approved. Motion by Armendariz. Second by Arnold. Motion passed. Consent agenda included:
 - Approval of minutes from September 11 regular meeting and September 20 special meeting. Motion by Armendariz. Second by Arnold. Motion passed.

- Approval of resignation of fourth grade teacher Andrew Foster. Motion by Lamb. Second by Arnold.
 Motion passed.
- Approval of hiring reassignment of Jolleen Ortiz fourth grade and KC Knudson full-time sub.
 Motion by Lamb. Second by Arnold. Motion passed.
- Approval of policy revisions to section
 - AC- Non-Discrimination/ Equal Opportunity. Motion by Arnold. Second by Armendariz.
 Motion passed.

Discussion items

- Policy Review The board reviewed Section A
 - o Title IX
- Enrollment The official count numbers were Elementary 368 and Prep 362
 - The total enrollment was 730 compared to 755 last year. These numbers are subject to review by the state.
 - Our budget was based on 815 students. This will require adjustments to this year's budget and succeeding budgets as well.
 - The Union Colony K-12 Budget Committee has meetings scheduled for October 18 and November 1 at 4pm. They will be working to develop a recommendation for the UC Board for an amended 21-22 budget to present at the November board meeting.
- Construction Update
 - Prep School

To do

- Several light poles
- New storage area
- Outdoor spaces
- Digital Signage

Completed

- Building demo (3 years!)
- Basketball court
- Parking expansion
- Landscaping and irrigation
- Fencing

Elementary

To do

- Complete permitting
- Current code landscaping
- Remodel library
- Outdoor/indoor multipurpose classroom
- Additional classrooms/special services rooms
- Digital signage

Completed

- Nurse access remodel
- Upstairs workroom addition/remodel
- Promethean tvs
- New cabling for future use
- Painting

Reports

- The Director's report included the enrollment information above and the construction updates previously noted.
- The Governance Committee is continuing to meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 3:45 to 4:30 until the end of the semester. Reported progress on consideration of structure and committee assignment decisions in both buildings by Ron Lamb.
- Shelly Coleman, Faculty Council President at UCPS reported the formation of a social club to help students connect with each other. Started by 8th grade girls, it is a work in progress. The Prep School is also completing a homework survey by faculty to see how much homework students at each grade level are assigned.

- Mark Elbell reported that the new website is live. The new overhead pictures of the Prep School are courtesy of the Elbell drone operated by one of the Elbell sons.
- Carrie Leffler, UCPS principal and Dave Warner, Elementary Principal both submitted written reports on the activities at their respective schools.

Executive session

- Lamb moved that we adjourn to executive session to discuss information that may be detrimental to students pursuant to CRS Sec 24-6-402 (4)(h). Motion was seconded by Armendariz. Motion passed.
- Executive session was completed and the board returned to regular meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25.