PEYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 23-JT Peyton, Colorado Board of Education Minutes March 18, 2014 Elementary School

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Frohbieter called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Eckelberry, Mr. Frohbieter, Mr. Hanks, Mrs. Lee. Member absent Mr. Holmes (out of state.)

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the amended agenda and placing in a discussion for a potential book seller into a middle school modular and fixing of the approval of minutes for from the Feb 18 to 25 was made by Mr. Eckelberry seconded by Mrs. Lee. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of February 25, 2014 & March 4, 2014 was made by Mr. Eckelberry it was seconded by Mrs. Lee. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ITEMS

A motion to approve the financial items was made by Mrs. Lee it was seconded by Mr. Eckelberry. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

- COMMUNITY INPUT-Booster Club- John Weiler (President) reported to the board and VI. community what the club is doing and what they are planning. They have a mission statement and bylaws that will be published on their website. They've started working on establishing a 501c they have a meeting on the second Wednesday of every month. They have some changes that they will make to their website. They are working with other clubs to figure out how to better the community. Financially speaking they are doing well. They have raised over 6800 dollars in the last four months. They had 150 bucks initially. They've started working with Mr. Hanks before he became a board member to create and manufacture the school clothes. They've sold some concessions at the AFA and it's proven to be very successful. They've had 64 members from the community in 5 different days. They have offered various groups to do these events with them. All groups will be offered to work with the booster. The Booster is in discussions to have a permanent booth it would generate 10-15 thousand dollars. They are scheduling a 5k walk/run the dates are still in the works. The proceeds will supplement the scholarship funds. They would also work to help the community, providing benches or help with baskets. They had an art contest at the high school to get new designs for new apparel. They are working on athlete packets and golf outings at pine creek. The biggest thing they want to work at is getting the scholarship funds going. They want to get to \$2000 per scholarship. The biggest issue they see is some type of sign being erected to get more information out. They want Spirit signs that can create school spirit. They also are trying to do a makeover at the high school commons that would provide more panther pride. The final issue that they would like to put up is the creation of school spirit. They have been to many different events and they have determined that we don't have a home court advantage. The feel in other schools is different. They would like to get people to start thinking about it and get people to start participating. He pointed out the wear and tear that's showing across the buildings such as the peeling paint on the sign and the broken flower boxes. Mr. Weiler would like to present monthly at the board meetings. This would be in community input area. Mr. Hanks asked a question about a monument sign. Mr. Weiler said that they would like to enhance the current sign with a digital sign on top of the current monument sign.
- VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Mr. Kistler stated his online application was not approved. His application fell short on 3 of the 16 areas. He will resubmit the entire application on April 4th. The district hosted a trade show on Thursday March 6th. They had 9 of the 12 companies attend. There was not a large group of attendees, but the companies said they felt it was worth it. After getting feedback from everyone the plan is to hold this in October 2014 and change the times a little. Over 100 Colorado Superintendents attended a meeting to show support to ask the legislators to buy down the negative factor. The unity shown is not going unnoticed at the state department. The hope this will have an effect on how the districts are funded.

VIII. BOARD REQUESTS AND REPORTS

Jr./Sr. High School- 325 Student count- Mr. Rea presented a report that is included in the board packet. The regional science fair had three finalists: Heather Schuelke, Anna Nast and Stephanie Mooty. The parent teacher conferences were held on Thursday the 6th of March. Attendance was very low. TCAP testing started on March 11th. We finished testing last week, except for makeups. Our next round of testing starts April 14th, with 7th grade social studies and 8th grade science. ACT testing is scheduled for April 23rd at the middle school. Mr. Rea presented a letter of appreciation

from the big sandy superintendent that praised Mr. VanSickler for his running of the regional basketball tournament. Kudos were also sent out to Brian Deckard for his 2nd place state finish that qualified him for nationals in Orlando, Fl. They have five interviews for the football coach this week they've had four already and they are working on completing this. The idea is that they don't want to just stick a warm body in there. Mr. Frohbieter asked if it would be appropriate to put something on the website for Brian Deckard. Mr. Rea offered to ask his permission before he would do that. The website did send out the update that the baseball game was delayed until another day due to the weather. He is working to learn how to connect to videos from other medias and it was a neat option that they gave the students. Mr. Rea was able to provide the real time data and pictures and he was able to post the pictures on the website. Mr. Rea said that only kids in advanced learning plans in larger school districts are permitted to go on to science fair. So, for our students to get to that level is a huge thing. Mr. Rea also said that the school couldn't get the world arena to return a call so for the Booster club to raise so much is a great accomplishment.

Elementary School- 285 Student count- Ms. Graham presented a report that is included in the board packet. Conferences went well and they had a nice turnout. She reported that the TCAP testing is all complete and books are set to be returned. Mrs. Mitchell did a terrific job managing the process. The para-professionals played an instrumental role providing support across the board with testing students with required accommodations and then putting in extra time to support us in staying on top of the makeup testing. Brie from CAT country has been in to record the students in every class saying the pledge of allegiance. The Science fair three of the 6th grade students qualified for the regional science fair at UCCS on Saturday. All three had a wonderful experience interacting with other student scientists, the judges and friends. Tammie Ross was recognized during the science fair by the Rocky Mountain Chapter, Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association as the AFCEA Junior teacher of Merit for 2014. The award was based on her excellent support as a teacher/advisor to students at the 2014 Pikes Peak regional science fair. Mrs. Ross was presented with a \$500 check and a Mission at the Challenger Learning Center of Colorado Springs for her class or school. The February BAC meeting had no attendees. Tammie Ross, Marilyn Shannon and Janet welch were present to share grade level information with parents. The information was presented during the coffee time with 4 parents attending. Items of discussion included the concert, the Suesstacular Presentation and Read Across America; TCAP conversation, Math book adoption process; Spaulding curriculum; staffing needs for next year. Mr. Eckelberry asked where the pre-k trending numbers are. Mrs. Welch said that the pre-k group trending is pretty typical and they had one year that was very low.

District Advisory Report- Felipe provided a report to the board regarding the meeting that was on March 12 a copy of that report is included in the board packet. They had 6 people attend. Felipe said that when they did the survey of all the employees in the district they talked about that. One of the things that came up is that they should do a follow up survey this year in May. They talked about doing a short internet survey through survey monkey. They will talk more on that in the next meeting. They want to learn what the main moral issues that have come up. The elementary report had the SPED department working with kids above the 2nd tier. The 6th grade is preparing for Astronomy unit and TCAPS are underway. There was not a Jr. /Sr. report or a Title 1 G/T report. They would like to reach out to twitter and other social media outlets to get more interaction with the public. The Superintendent report had Mr. Kistler updating them on the chiller for the elementary school. The construction company has been selected. Work will begin in May. The building will be locked for the month of June. The Freedom Shrine was dedicated on March 12 through the 14th. On Wednesday the 19th Mr. Kistler will leave to visit the wood shop in Oregon. Some of the other charges: They discussed a few things that should continue to work on for the next year for example the SB191 evaluation and timelines, Growth numbers and follow-up on the moral issue survey. They will discuss more next month. There were no action items and the meeting was adjourned at 4:31. The next meeting is April 9th.

Boces Report- Mr. Eckelberry stated that they had a meeting last month. The new president implemented an expedited process. They shared some of their mission statement that shows how Boces is looking at getting on track. They are working to become a trainer for schools that are well versed in the SB191 guidelines. They will analysis the revenues and expenditures of all the programs. They want to make sure that they are working and cost effective and are fiscally responsible. They are looking at reviewing and rewriting job descriptions. They are looking at the SPED December 2013 count. Peyton is showing the same number where other districts are showing a decrease in this number. One of the other items that came from SAC is the look at vehicle and mileage expenditures. They are looking at the policies and perhaps setting a per diem to become more efficient. They are comparing the outlying cost comparisons so that districts can come back to see where their expenses are coming from.

ACTION ITEMS

- **A. Four day school week application-** The board must actually approve the application that they approved in a previous board meeting. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Eckelberry seconded by Mr. Hanks. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.
- **B.** Final reading policy IML A motion to approve the final reading of policy IML was made by Mr. Eckelberry seconded by Mrs. Lee. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.
- **DISCUSSION ITEMS-** A lease is being proposed between the district and a gentleman who would like to store a large collection of books. He has a lot of books he would use the storage area to hold the books then enter and pack up his books for sale and then leave. Mr. Kistler believes that the

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security system would be more conducive to his needs in the old library modular. They did talk of the rent and insurance issues. They would need to have the paperwork and have the lease spell out the specifics of what he could and could not have on the school grounds. The discussion is whether or not the board is feeling comfortable about continuing this discussion and what direction they would like to go. Mr. Frohbieter said that the coverage of theft and insurance is covered. He would need to have his own liability. Our insurance would cover our property. His insurance would cover his damages or losses. Mr. Eckelberry asked if the district would be responsible for snow removal etc. Mr. Kistler said yes. Mr. Hanks said his concern is that the insurance has to be locked down. Mr. Hanks said that the policy must list us as a covered entity. Mr. Kistler advised that he will continue in the discussions. The legislative update that Mr. Kistler wanted to discuss is that many schools are sending letters by board members and/or parents to their state representatives. He believes that the state is crossing into the local control rather than providing the local boards with the power to manage how moneys should be spent. Many of the school districts have sent out letters to their parents. Mr. Kistler will provide a letter that some of the other districts have sent that was provided to him by Mrs. Lee. He said we can provide a list of the legislature representatives in our area to the area parents and community members that ask the legislature to cease the encroachment into the local control. Mrs. Lee said that she will send her district letter to Mr. Kistler and he will amend it to meet our needs. Mr. Kistler will then forward it to the board members to get their opinion before sending this out to the community. Mrs. Lee said that her district sent a resolution to the legislature and then sent a letter to her public. Right now the calls are making the most impact with the state members according to Mr. Kistler. Mr. Frohbieter asked that Mr. Kistler pursue this. A reminder was provided that the April board meeting is on the 22nd

- XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION-C.R.S. 24-6-402-(4)(f). A motion to go into executive session to discuss Personnel issues was made by Mr. Eckelberry seconded by Mrs. Lee. In at 8:09 p.m. out at 10:15 p.m.
- XII. ADJOURN- Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lee it was seconded by Mr. Hanks. All board members present voted "Aye". Meeting adjourned the meetings at: 10:16 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED April 22, 2014.

President

Secretary