



## **Classified Council Minutes**

### **Tuesday, March 13, 2018; 1:30 p.m.**

### **Central Administration Office**

**Present:** Superintendent Sullivan, Cindy Reiss (Jefferson Elementary), Heidi Smith (Lincoln Elementary), Jo Erickson (Roosevelt Elementary), Courtney Murphy (Prairie Rose Elementary), Laurie Olson (Dickinson Middle School), and Cyndee Egeness (Central Administration Office).

**Absent:** Heidi Schostek (Dickinson High School) Paula Penny (Heart River Elementary).

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Sullivan at 1:35 p.m.

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda Items** – There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

**Old Business** – There was no old business.

#### **New Business**

March 12, 2018, School Board Meeting – A copy of the notes from the meeting were distributed to the Classified Council members. Superintendent Sullivan stated the primary topic discussed at the school board meeting was the Dickinson High School Architectural Services. The school board requested options for architectural services. Mrs. Smith asked if the services involved remodeling or new additions. Dr. Sullivan explained that the district is trending towards a CTE, which could be on-site for 250-300 students. There have been discussions about expanding with health careers. The district will need to be more aggressive to alleviate space for student growth. Mrs. Smith asked what the student enrollment was. Dr. Sullivan stated Dickinson High School is around 915 students now. This is the last year for a class size under 200 students. Dickinson Middle School has a student enrollment of approximately 830 for grades 6-8. Dr. Sullivan explained that the tentative schedule is to have this in place by 2021, but it will be dependent upon many factors.

Classified Job Postings Email Notification – Emails to the Dickinson Public Schools classified staff regarding job postings will be discussed with Human Resources once the positions are approved to be posted.

Other- Mrs. Laurie Olson asked for an update on the construction at Berg Elementary. Dr. Sullivan explained that demolition has started and the District will soon begin to see work going on inside. RSP and Associates is sending information on the number of sections that will be expected at Berg Elementary as well as other schools. Mrs. Erickson asked about the school boundaries. At this time, current fourth graders will stay in their buildings for fifth grade in 2018-2019. Their siblings will stay as well in 2018-2019. Siblings may be relocated in 2019-2020.

Mrs. Smith inquired about teaching positions to be filled. The Prairie Rose Assistant Principal position will be advertised and filled in the very near future. Elementary interviews begin mid-March. Mrs. Erickson asked what will happen if some positions are not filled. Dr. Sullivan stated that it depends on the position. If the classrooms are larger than anticipated, extra paraprofessional support would be requested. There is a high need in special education. The district is expecting some inefficiencies in some classrooms due to the student transitions and the growth of the district as well as the reopening of Berg Elementary School.

Mrs. Erickson questioned if the paraprofessionals will follow the child with the movement of students to other schools. Dr. Sullivan explained that ideally the paraprofessional would follow the students. Final decisions will be determined throughout the summer. Paraprofessionals may be reassigned or may follow the student. As of mid-March, Dickinson Public Schools was still waiting on definitive numbers as there is always constant changes.

**Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17 at 1:30 p.m.