

Raymond Central Public Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 6:30 PM Central

Raymond Central Jr-Sr High School - Swing Classroom #108

1800 West Agnew Road

Raymond, NE 68428-9783

Present: Scott Black, Matt Blanchard, Brad Breitreutz, Cathy Burklund, Dr. Harriet Gould, Lori Springer. Also attending were Dr. Derrick Joel, Superintendent; Kolin Haecker, Secondary Principal; Greg Wilmes, Assistant Secondary Principal; Shelly Dostal, Valparaiso Elementary Principal; Ann Egr, Ceresco Elementary Principal; and Peyton Taylor, Student Board Member.
Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Gould called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion to Excuse Board Member's Absence

All members were present.

Open Meeting Law

President Gould reminded the audience that the Open Meeting Laws are displayed in the back of the room for their review.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Blanchard, second by Breitreutz to approve the consent agenda as presented including the regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2019, January Financial Statement and February monthly bills. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Regular Minutes of January 16, 2019

Financial Statement/Report

Monthly Bills

Correspondence/Recognition

Shannon Vogler, AdvancED, spoke in regards to our recent performance evaluation/external review and commended Raymond Central in the development of our vision, mission, beliefs and commitment to students.

Congratulations and Commendations from Shannon Vogler - AdvancED

Public Forum

Jim Marsh addressed the Board during Public Forum regarding the position of Technology Coordinator for 2019-20.

Discussion Items

Administrative Reports

Submitted by Kolin Haecker, 6-12 Principal/Curriculum Director

Our School Improvement Team met on January 8 at Valparaiso Elementary. We looked at the AdvancED report from our visit in November. We will meet at the end of the month to go into more detail of the report with the proper steps moving forward.

January 9, Deputy Piitz and I went through the Standard Response Protocols with students in grade 6-12. We met with each grade for a 30 minute presentation and answered questions. Thanks to Deputy Piitz.

Dr. Nunnally and Dr. Georgous worked with our math department on January 10 continuing our work on the essential learnings of math. Thanks for their help and the work being done.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for grades 6-12 on March 12 & 13 from 4:00-8:00 pm. We will again be in the commons and new gym on the 12th and in teacher rooms on the 13th. This went well in the fall and we will continue this practice in the spring. We got some good feedback from parents and teachers. The 6th grade teachers will continue to schedule their P-T Conferences by sign up.

January 29 will be a meeting for sophomores, juniors, and their parents to discuss dual credit classes and SENCAP classes. We will have Cane's Chicken and the event will include presentations from SCC Dual Credit, SCC Career Academy, and UNL Advanced Scholars college representatives. This meeting will help both students and parents decide if taking college credit in high school is right for them.

Mr. Rasmussen, Mrs. Parks, Mr. Dunker and Ms. Osten continue to work with seniors helping them complete their senior file. The next big event for the senior file will be the senior mock interviews conducted at the high school on February 27. This is a requirement for the senior file needed for graduation.

FBLA week is the week of February 4.

Submitted by Greg Wilmes, Activities Director/Assistant Principal

Girls basketball is 6-15 on the season after wins against Fort Calhoun in the NCC tourney and at home vs Platteview. They will finish the regular season with a home game vs Fort Calhoun on February 8 (senior night) before playing in sub-districts on February 11 vs Lincoln Lutheran at Lincoln East. Good luck!

Jr high girls basketball is about 2/3 through their season with a win this last week against St. John Lutheran and a loss to Lincoln Lutheran. They will finish out with games at Yutan, home vs Wahoo, A/B tourney at Malcolm, Ashland, Lincoln Christian, and home vs DC West.

Boys basketball is 1-18 on the season. They will finish the regular season with games vs Fort Calhoun (senior night) on February 8, home vs Central City on February 12 and at Schuyler on February 15. Their sub-districts will take place February 18, 19 and 21 at Norris. Good luck!

Wrestling has districts on February 8-9 at Aurora and then state for those qualifiers in Omaha on February 14-16. Recently they finished 4th at our home invite and won the Ashland-Greenwood dual tourney with a 4-0 record.

Jr high wrestling will start their season with two home quads on February 12 and 19. They currently have about 15 boys and girls participating.

Speech has been busy with 1-2 meets every week. They will travel to Lincoln North Star on February 9, Lincoln East on February 15, and then host the NCC tourney on Saturday, February 16.

The Pops Concert was February 4 with grades 9-12 band, choir and jazz band performing. All did a nice job!

Meridian Junior High Honor Band: Heather Lange, Samantha Krafka, Hannah Wells, Josie Lahm, Morgan Lahm. York Middle School Honor Band: Samantha Krafka, Heather Lange, Josie Lahm, Hailey Morris, Morgan Lahm, Gareth Mills. Blair Middle School Honor Band: Heather Lange, Morgan Lahm, Rosalie Tvrdy, Katie Fisher. Class B All-State Band: Brigit Shultz, Calleigh Osmera, Grace Cadotte.

FBLA members have been busy completing team projects. We have submitted the following: eBusiness Site, Website Project, Broadcast Journalism production, Intro to Business Presentation, Business Ethics Paper, Graphic Design project, Publication Design project, and Coding and Programming project. Members have been busy with the Community Service Project which has involved a volunteer day at the People's City Mission, serving lunch and supper at the Mission on two different dates in

January, and holding a drive for personal items during February. FBLA Week was celebrated Feb 4-8 with contests or recognition held each day.

On February 8 the Chapter participated in the UNL Business Contest - Connor Nichols was first in FBLA Principles and Sydnie Blanchard was 5th; Amanda Gyhra was 3rd in Job Interview and Kelbie Schnieder was 5th; Scott Tvrdy was 4th in Financial Math and Lauren Prosocki was 4th in Parliamentary Procedures. Connor was also 5th in Financial Math. The Quiz Bowl team placed 2nd.

National FFA week starts February 17.

DI regionals are February 23 at Columbus.

Spring sports practices will start February 25 for soccer, track and baseball.

Submitted by Shelly Dostal, Elementary Principal at Valparaiso

AdvancED/School Improvement/PLCs - On January 23, teachers met in their PLCs. PLCs will meet again on February 20. The AdvancED Committee reviewed the Evaluation Summary and created some action steps to move forward. At the February meeting, the group created a form to collect teacher/student data and a plan for data collection.

Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment - NWEA MAP testing is scheduled to start February 18. These adaptive, normed assessments inform students and teachers about their progress and help teachers make instructional decisions. ELPA21 (English Language Proficiency Assessment) is being administered to those required by March 15. I continue to attend webinars for state assessment preparation. Mrs. Osten is leading the charge for ACT administration on April 2. Mr. Haecker cannot participate since his daughter will be taking the test.

The last week of February will be busy as we celebrate Read Across America Day/Dr. Seuss's Birthday and observe Nebraska's 152nd birthday on March 1. We will have some "dress up" days and each student will get a special gift from the PTO.

Enrollment for Kindergarten and Preschool has begun. Future kindergarten parents should call the Superintendent's office by February 15. Preschool applications are due March 15.

RC PTO - The PTO hosted a family night at the Fallbrook YMCA on February 2 and they provided funding for the fifth and sixth graders to attend the Lincoln Symphony on February 5. Students were able to participate in a valentine card making class on February 7. Thank you to Dr. Gould and her card making crew for providing this opportunity. Mustang Night Out was hosted by the Market Grille at Hy-Vee on January 15 with 15% of sales going back to the PTO. This month the Mustang Dining Out is at Fazoli's. Vouchers can be presented at Fazoli's from February 6-20 with 20% given to the PTO.

We celebrated 100 days of school on January 25 (we had to adjust with snow days). Teachers included lessons throughout the day about "100". Thank you to the PTO for providing 100 day bookmarks.

February is Black History Month. Teachers have integrated lessons into their weekly plans.

Valentine's Day class parties will be held on February 14. If students include treats with their Valentines, they are encouraged to provide non-food items to meet the Wellness Policy guidelines. If food treats are included, they should meet the USDA Smart Snack guidelines.

Time For Kids Kickoff was February 6. Student families may fill out booklets of postcards or purchase magazine subscriptions. Our school receives 40% of the profits.

We will promote Random Acts of Kindness Week on February 17-23. Hope you can see our tree grow with acts of kindness!

We say a special thanks to our School Counselors during School Counselors week, February 4-8. We appreciate all you do Mrs. White and Mrs. Osten!

Submitted by Ann Egr, Elementary Principal at Ceresco

The 100th day of school was celebrated on Friday, January 25th. The PTO purchased "100" bookmarks for the entire school. Raymond Central has such a generous PTO!

At our monthly awards celebration the following students were honored for the MUSTANG award: Mason Simpson, Gus Benes, Emma Mager, Deklan Mattox, Cartwright Pebley, Maddison Burchess, Justin Grundin, Thomas Norlen, Kashdyn Novak, Henry Bower, Wesley Bryan, Brylize Hille, Ellie Schwartz, Kayla Matulka, Aliviah Ceja, Lydia O'Malley, Emma Dukesherer, Elizabeth Sklenar. P.O.P (Positive Office Pass) drawing recipients were: Lucas Christensen, Will Varilek, Miley McCoy.

January was National Mentoring Month. The TeamMates Mentoring Program, founded by Dr. Tom and Nancy Osborne, matches students with caring adults. Mentors and mentees meet for 30 minutes once a week during school hours. TeamMates would like to thank all of our mentors: Alice Pecka, Dave Burkland, Esther Ryan, Ron Bottorff, Barb Ohnoutka, Tammie Holley, Shirley Eichmeier, Brad Breitreutz, Deb Brooks, Darrell Walla, Mike Unverferth, Jen Polak, Dallas Fletcher, Rainey Samuelson, Kathryn Hayward, and Karri Donahue. Raymond Central TeamMates is always looking for new mentors! A special thanks to Mrs. White for coordinating Raymond Central's TeamMates. Please contact Mrs. White at krwhite@rcentral.org if you are interested in becoming a mentor.

PTO hosted a family night on February 2 at the Fall Brook YMCA. Raymond Central had a nice crowd, and all had a fun time! Once again, thank you PTO for hosting these events!

Thank you to Dr. Gould, Kathryn Hayward, Bonnie Nelson, and Sandy Stark along with student assistant Meredith Nelson for providing an opportunity for students in grades 2-5 to learn the art of homemade Valentine's Cards.

Mrs. Kim Hudson, 2nd grade teacher, started a "Kindness Club". The objectives of the club are to spread kindness at school, home, community, and the world! Mrs. Hudson meets with selected students each Tuesday of the week to talk about kindness and do a "kind" activity. All students will have the opportunity to participate throughout the year. Thank-you Mrs. Hudson for organizing this club!

The second round of NWEA MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) begins February 18. MAP provides educators with detailed information they need to evaluate instruction in order support academic success.

FFA is sponsoring a Petting Zoo for K-1 students on February 21. The FFA does a great job of creating this educational opportunity for our students. Thank-you Mrs. Lehn and the FFA students for this event.

Read Across America Week / Dr. Seuss' Birthday (March 2) will be celebrated February 25-March 1, 2019. Mrs. Haecker, Ms. Schiefen, Mrs. Hlavaty, and Mrs. Rockemann have a fun week planned to help celebrate his birthday and encourage reading!

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for March 13 and 14 from 4:00-8:00. Once again both elementaries are utilizing PTCFast web-based signup program. PTCFast.com is a free website designed to make it easy to schedule parent-teacher conferences. An educator/software designer developed the program. The promise is to make scheduling easy for the first time user.

Spring Book Fair starts March 5-14 with online sales starting February 27. The theme for the book fair will be Dino-mite Book Fair: Stomp, Chomp, and Read. Parents and students will have an opportunity to shop during parent-teacher conferences. The proceeds go to keep the libraries stocked with fabulous books!

Special Education-The numbers of students served in Special Education have increased. As a district, we are in the process of completing an audit of staff, students served, services provided, supports, and needs. The information gained will assist in developing appropriate programs to meet the needs of all students.

Curriculum Report

Over the course of one month, the SIP team will be engaged in classroom walkthroughs to collect instructional data. The focus is on what our students are doing and what our teachers are doing. This data will be used to drive our next steps as a leadership committee. The idea came as we were debriefing the AdvancED evidence and are challenged to find structures that support or shift to student-centered classrooms through intentional strategies.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Joel discussed the AdvancED Executive Summary and highlighted the next steps in our continuous improvement journey. The first Vision 2025 Community Forum held February 12 at

Valparaiso had a lot of good conversation on how to maximize our current and future resources in becoming a premier school district in Nebraska. Met last week to discuss our Frequently Asked Questions. Next month we will use the NDE tool to evaluate our new policy and then spend time developing resources for a healthy snack and treat ideas. We will also look at alternatives ways to correct behavior without taking away physical activity time.

Goal 1: Foster a positive district climate by building strong internal and external relationships to support student achievement.

Goal 2: Continue the creation of a 5 year facilities strategic plan for implementation that addresses maintenance and improvements for existing building assets.

Goal 3: Foster a learning environment in which every student has the maximum opportunity to achieve academic excellence.

Goal 4: Continue to foster transparency in district communications using all available media technologies.

2018-2019 Raymond Central Strategic Plan

Facilities Report

Next month we will have an updated priority list and individual site list of work that needs to be complete by the end of summer. Our list continues to grow.

Review of Technology Plan

Ms. Bastian has been accepted into the Amazon Future Engineer Program which helps inspire, educate and train students to pursue careers in computer science. Ms. Bastian will also be participating in SCForAll: Adapt, Implement, and Research at Nebraska (AIR@NE), an NSF-funded grant which will examine the adaptation and implementation of a validated K-8 Computer Science curriculum in diverse school districts.

Student Board Member Report - Peyton Taylor

Student Board Member Peyton Taylor reported that students have been busy and gave highlights on winter sports and other activities happening.

Americanism Committee Report (Breitkreutz - chair, Springer, Burklund)

Transportation Committee (Black- Chair, Breitkreutz, Springer)

Finance Committee (Springer- chair, Blanchard, Breitkreutz)

Facilities Committee (Blanchard- chair, Springer, Burklund)

Negotiations Committee (Black- chair, Gould, Blanchard)

Curriculum Committee (Gould - chair, Black, Burklund)

Policy Committee (Springer- chair, Gould, Black)

Update of Raymond Central Crisis and Safety Protocol

We will hold a School Safety Stakeholder Meeting on Monday, April 15 at the Hot Spot in Raymond. Kevin Kavan, Fremont Public Schools Security Coordinator, will present the "I Love You Guys" Training.

NASB Monthly Update

2019-2020 Teacher's Master Contract - Consider, discuss, and take all necessary action

Motion by Black, second by Burklund to approve the 2019-2020 Master Contract for Teachers as presented which provides all tiers of insurance and an increase in the wage for ticket takers and event workers. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

2019-2020 Superintendent Contract - Consider, discuss, and take all necessary action

Motion by Blanchard, second by Breitreutz to approve the 2019-2020 Superintendent Contract as presented adding a \$1,000 annual stipend, family insurance, and 5 professional leave days. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Review Public Forum Presentation(s) - Consider, discuss, and take all necessary action

Action Items

Approval of Substitutes

Motion by Black, second by Breitreutz to approve Kayla Roberts as a substitute cook, paraeducator or secretary and Rebecca Monroe as a substitute bus driver. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approval of Staff Resignation(s)

Motion by Blanchard, second by Burklund to approve the resignation of Jacob Birch as Math Teacher and Assistant Boys Basketball Coach; Mike Henderson as Head Jr High Football Coach; John Kliment as Assistant Jr High Football Coach; and Steve Rose as Assistant Varsity Football Coach. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approval of Staff Appointment

Motion by Black, second by Blanchard to approve Kearah Houchin as Assistant Varsity Track Coach and Mike Henderson as Assistant Jr High Football Coach. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approval of Out of State Travel (Football)

Motion by Black, second by Blanchard to approve the out of state travel of eight football players and two coaches to a Football Camp in Thornton, Colorado. RCV 5-0, Abstained-1. Motion carried.

Approval of NASB School Membership Dues

Motion by Breitkreutz, second by Blanchard to approve the NASB annual membership dues of \$4,696.00 from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approval of the ESU2 2019-2020 Title I Cooperative and Dr. Joel as the ESSA Federal Programs Delegate/Representative.

Motion by Burklund, second by Black to approve the Title I Agreement from ESU2 for the 2019-20 school year and also authorize Superintendent Joel as the ESSA Federal Programs Delegate/Representative. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approve Amended Policies 8151 and 8153

Motion by Black, second by Burklund to approve the Amendment of Policy 8151 Standing Committees as presented. RCV 6-0. Motion carried. Policy 8153 Standing Committee on Curriculum and Americanism was tabled until next month in order to make a correction.

Approval of 2019-2020 Option Enrollment / Program Capacities

Motion by Burklund, second by Gould to approve the 2019-2020 Option Enrollment Program Capacities as presented. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Approval of Next Regular Board Meeting - Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Motion by Black, second by Blanchard to approve the next Regular Board Meeting to be held on Monday, March 18 at 6:30 PM. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Breitkreutz, second by Blanchard to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 PM. RCV 6-0. Motion carried.

Important Upcoming Dates