

Princeton R-V Board of Education Meeting (April 11th , 2022) Press Release

The Princeton R-V Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 11, 2022. The following highlights of the board meeting included:

Board of Education Meeting

- Verification of the Princeton R-V Board of Education Election were presented. The following were final results. Ron Parsons 226, Nathan Evans 200, Anthony Henke 184, and Tracie Ellsworth 128. Mr. Parsons and Mr. Evans were elected to the three-year term.
- The board of education voted Rick Ellsworth as President and Ron Parsons as Vice President.
- The board of education appointed Chad Smith as Secretary and Karla Meinke as Treasure.

The consent agenda was approved consisting of Call Meeting to Order

- Approve March 14th, 2022 Board of Education Meeting Minutes
- Approve Bills for Payment and any Necessary Fund Transfers

Announcements

- A) May BOE Meeting – Monday, May 9th 2022 @ 5:30PM
- B) Award & Baccalaureate -Wednesday, May 4th --First Christian Church--6:30 pm
- C) Graduation--Friday, May 6th--7:00 pm
- D) Prom--Saturday, April 30th
- E) Home Track Meet – Jim King Relays on Monday, April 18th
- F) Home Track Meet -- Class 1 District Track Meet Hosted at Princeton on Saturday, May 7th

Old Business

- The board reviewed the bids for the Electric School Bus. Three bids were received with only one bid (Lion Bus Company) being able to meet the bid specifications for delivery within six months and inclusion of the Level II Charging Station.
Bluebird Electric Bus Bid \$338,095.00 (no charging station included & up to one year for delivery)
Thomas Electric Bus Bid \$339,978.00 (no charging station included & up to one year for delivery)
Lion Electric Bus Bid \$351,320.25 (Bus is available today & charging station included in bid)
- Grant Application Progress for Electric School Bus. Princeton R-V was awarded the VW grant for \$200,000 for the purchase of an Electric School Bus. The State of Missouri is a beneficiary of the Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Mitigation Trust (VW Trust). In addition, the District has been awarded a USDA Grant to assist with the purchase of the bus. District administration will work to review the bids and coordinate with all Grant administrators to finalize the districts contribution amount. It is estimated that the district could have 85% of the new electric bus paid for by Grants.

New Business

- Tuition for 2022-2023 school year for all K-12 students was approved at \$6,375.
- The board of education was presented a possible grant to host a Summer School for 2022. This program has become a possibility due to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) Summer School Grant.

In the past Princeton has not hosted summer school due to the unique state funding formula. Princeton could have lost significant funding from the small schools grant and the hold harmless provision. Mr. Gridner shared that this grant for summer school is directed towards schools just like Princeton who have not had a recent summer school and would be otherwise negatively impacted by the states funding formula. The Board of Education approved the administration to apply for the summer school grant. It is hopeful that if approved plans could be completed before May 2nd.

The board entered closed session at approximately 6:45PM

Closed Session – the tentative agenda of this meeting includes a vote to close part of the meeting pursuant to R.S.M.O. 610.021– (2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate, (3) Hiring, firing, and disciplining of particular employees, (13) Individual identifiable records and ratings, (14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law

The board returned from closed session at approximately 7:10PM

Announcements

- 1) The Board approved the retirement of High School Secretary Kami Stark.
- 2) The Board approved the hire of JH Math Teacher Lindsay Landis.
- 3) The Board approved Extra Duty Contracts.