

## **Princeton R-V Board of Education Meeting (March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022) Press Release**

The Princeton R-V Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 14th, 2022. The following highlights of the board meeting included:

### **Board of Education Meeting**

#### **The consent agenda was approved consisting of Call Meeting to Order**

- A) Approve February 14<sup>th</sup> & March 3<sup>rd</sup> Board of Education Meeting Minutes
- B) Approve Bills for Payment and any Necessary Fund Transfers
- C) Cash Flow Report

#### **Public Participation-**

Multiple community members shared support to remain an 11-man football program. A community member shared a concern about the possibility his elementary age son would not be able to participate in football if the switch to 8-man was not approved.

#### **Announcements**

- A) April BOE Meeting, Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (Board Re-Organization Meeting)
- B) Award & Baccalaureate -Wednesday, May 4th --First Christian Church--6:30 pm
- C) Graduation--Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>--7:00 pm
- D) Prom--Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

#### **Old Business**

- A) The school board will go to bid for repairs to the High School exterior brick. The exterior brick walls show evidence of movement (shifting, settling, and cracking) and deterioration, with mortar deterioration. The work will be scheduled to be completed over the summer of 2022.
- B) The Board approved a letter of intent for the USDA Grant to fund a portion of an Electric School Bus. The district has received four grants to be applied towards the purchase. This month, initial approval for \$145,000 from the USDA was approved. Last month the district received initial approval from the DNR for \$200,000.
- C) Athletics & Activities Program Review: The Board of Education was presented information from Athletic Director, Scott Ussery regarding Princeton's current conference affiliation. The board of education voted (6-1) to remain in the GRC East and to continue to play 11-man football.
- D) The school board approved the handbook for FFA Trap Shooting. The activity will begin in the 22-23 school year.

#### **New Business**

- The school board approved an increase in the Certified Staff Salary Schedule for the 22-23 school year. The new base salary will be \$33,500 reflecting a \$2,000 (6.35%) increase from the previous schedule.
- The school board approved Non-Certified Salary Schedule for the 22-23 school year that raised step one to \$13.03 (6.37%).
- Increased School Bus Driver pay by (6.35%) to \$67 per day and \$13.03 per hour for activity trips.
- The Board of Education will be collecting proposals for Bank Depository Services to begin July 1, 2022.

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**

##### **Announcements**

- 1) The Board approved the Resignation of Extra Duty (NHS & Prom) from Heather Hall.
- 2) The Board approved the resignation of JH/HS Teacher Dave McCumber.
- 3) The School board approved all probationary teaching contracts for the 2021-22 School Year.
- 4) The School board approved Teacher Tenure Contracts –Anna Fitzpatrick, Stacy Girdner, Betsy McCulley, Holly Meek, & Jessie O'Dell.
- 5) The School board approved a contract for 22-23 school year to JH/HS Teacher Louis O'Brien.
- 6) The School board approved a 10.5 month contract for the position of Special Education Director.
- 7) The school board approved the school administrator raises for the High School Principal, and Superintendent at 4.6% & 4.3% respectively.

**The meeting concluded at 7:30pm**