

**THORP SCHOOL DISTRICT #400
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
December 14, 2021**

**Regular School Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.**

Board Members Present: Luanne Osiadacz , Carol Johnson, Dave Muratore, Nicki Morelli-Mayer, Genevieve Gillman

Board Members Absent:

Community members present: Andrew Perkins, Mel Blair, Elly Pollock, Nikki Pollock, Brenda McKee, Casceila Miller, Kim Rivera, Anne Cubilie,

A. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE	Nicki Morelli-Mayer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Nicki Morelli-Mayer led the flag salute.
B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES	A. November 23, 2021 - Regular Board Meeting i. Carol Johnson moved to approve the minutes; Genevieve Gillman seconded. The vote was unanimous.
C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA	A. Luanne moved to approve the agenda; seconded. The vote was unanimous.
A. PUBLIC COMMENTS	Nicki Morelli-Mayer opened public comments at 6:01pm. Kim Rivera - The book fair was great. \$1145 spent on teachers and giving trees and still made a profit to run activities. Great turn out for first sale back in person. Nicki Morelli-Mayer closed public comments at 6:03 pm.
B. REPORTS TO BOARD	A. Superintendent's Report - Andrew Perkins (Information) a. We have 2 and a half days left. We didn't quit when things got rough with anxieties and behavior. I think it's paying off. b. MS Basketball boys had a very successful season. Our coach has been working with the nurse and going above and beyond to keep our season going without any disruption. It reflects in the hallway when the kids get these extra cur activities. c. We've ramped up services to kids who have academic and behavior problems that Mel will talk about. d. Legislative session is getting going. We'll try to do some in-person visits with our representatives. Ibarra, Warren, and Dent.

- e. The Department of Health is trying to have less of an impact on students with regards to contact tracing. Tomorrow two years ago we had over 10% absent getting to 20% absent, if they were confirmed to have the flu we would have to shut down. Covid isn't new when it comes to elevated school absence numbers. But we are keeping these kids safe and healthy this year under these circumstances.
- f. We have some Christmas parties planned to give these kids a chance to bond and have some fun before break.
- g. Field trip planning is robust now. We are working on trips to CWU, The coast and silverwood. We are expecting school to be normal with extra curriculars come spring.

B. Business/HR Director Report - Brenda McKee (Information)

- a. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next week we need board members to come in and sign Warrants.

C. Assistant Principal/SPED Director Report - Mel Blair (Information)

- a. Students in SPED receive dollars through Medicaid billing for speech and to services. Adele has been working hard to back bill and get funds for us.
- b. OSPI determination for SPED services, which could impact funding. We met level 1 which includes compliance in reporting, meeting deadlines and timelines.
- c. BEST Grant is about 1600 from ESD 105. It's a Mentor/Mentee program. We've had 4 teachers in it over the years. We are down to two. We are working with ESD with Engage New York to get alignment with Clerf, Tasker, and Stueckle across English/Language Arts. We will also be revamping Title I to help get kids graduated from that. Preschoolers have been working on Handwriting without Tears, A SEL program and Really Great reading curriculum that aligns with kinder.
- d. We've had some behaviour challenges. We work hard as a staff with classroom management training, building supportive models with interventions. (Passed out Tiers) we have several children that are significantly struggling. When students are struggling behaviorally they struggle academically. Suspension doesn't work because they aren't receiving supports. And kids will work to get sent home. So we created the Supportive Learning Environment (SLE). We don't want to take away a learning environment from the whole classroom by allowing disrespect and disruption. So this

	<p>plan allows us to provide a space where they can get the educational support interwoven with social emotional skills. Get those students back on track and being respectful, responsible and safe, not taking education away from others. But we also are looking at the whole child, sleep, nutrition, exercise all contribute. We've been training some student teachers to help. We are also looking at supports for kids who are detached, not doing their work, not interested, how can we get them reengaged. It will take us a while but with consistency and support we can help our kids.</p> <p>D. Student Representative - Elly Pollock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Middle School having their winter party. Sounds fun and they sold a lot of tickets b. High school had a planning retreat. Organized the whole asb closet, got rid of some things, found some great things. Planning a party for Friday. Juniors are putting on a <p>E. Instructional Leader FieldSTEM Report - Casceila Miller (Information)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Round 2 of Tiger Academy starting June 10th. Our last round focused on interventions, we will continue some of those, but we will focus on enrichment activities for kids, especially for the winter. Drama club, soccer club, art club and other proposals were submitted by teachers. b. Bee a Leader Award. This month our award goes to Bree is one of the most incredible educators I have ever worked with. She is always helping, adding things for students. She has spent hours working to make sure the tradition of building gingerbread houses continued. She is providing it for the entire elementary school.
<p>F. OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>A. Consideration to approve Resolution 21-06, Transfer of General Funds to Transportation Vehicle Fund. (Action)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dave Muratore - After the purchase of the bus, will we continue to move funds to replenish, since we will wipe it out. Brenda - We can revisit continuing the moving of funds. b. Genevieve Gillman moved to approve Resolution 21-06. Dave Muratore seconded. The vote was unanimous. <p>B. Levy Meeting (Discussion)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Anticipating holding a public meeting, Monday January 24th for people to ask questions before the vote. Brenda and I will put

	<p>together a proposal for the community meetings here and at Sunlight Waters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Carol Johnson - What about the signs? Do people still have those? c. Andrew Perkins - We can't be involved but Beth Parker is putting together a committee. She has already started asking about signs. The role of the board is to give information. We will also give information in the January newsletter. <p>C. Strategic Plan (Action)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of the Timeline and meeting dates. Committees will be formed including Instruction, Curriculum, Technology, Parent/Community Involvement, Infrastructure and Financial Health, School Safety. b. David Muratore - How do people volunteer to be on these committees? Andrew - They call or email me and I will put them on the committee. c. Genevieve #2: Curriculum, Carol Johnson #3: Technology, Dave Muratore #5: Infrastructure and Financial Health, Luanne #6: Safety, Nicki Morelli-Mayer #4: Parent/Community Involvement, d. Carol Johnson moved to approve the Strategic Plan Timeline. Luane Osiadacz seconded. The vote was unanimous. <p>D. Millig - Building Funding (Discussion)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Packet to our state representative why we would be a prime location for a cooling center and combine that money with some federal funding for HVAC. b. Carol Johnson - We have been granted the 3 million but we don't have it. Andrew Perkins - That is an argument between the state and the federal government. c. Carol Johnson - Would the boiler come out? Andrew Perkins - Yes, for a more efficient system.
<p>E. NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>A. WASA - Redistricting Plan (Discussion)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Perkins - We have to look at the director districts to make sure there isn't an imbalance by November 15th. We will look at whether we need to hire a company or if the county can help us with this. b. Carol - We hired this out years ago. It was affordable, but we've had quite a lot of change so it will be interesting to see.

<p>A. CORRESPONDENCE</p>	<p>A. House Bill 1590 (Information)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Enrollment Stabilization funding, they use 2019 enrollment and figure out what it should have been without COVID. b. Dave - Is this a one off? Perkins - It looks like one year. There is a 550 million dollar difference between the budget and enrollment, so that money should still be sent to schools to pay for the employees that keep schools running. <p>B. Certificate of Official Ballot Title: Proposition 1 & 2 (Information)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Final Language that will show up on the ballot for both levies.
<p>C. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS & STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS</p>	
<p>11. ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Luanne Osiadacz moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave Muratore seconded. The vote was unanimous. Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.</p>

Upcoming Meetings

January 25, 2021, 6:00 pm - Regular School Board Meeting

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