

**Paris Consolidated School
Board of Education
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, December 18, 2014
6:30 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order**-The meeting was called to order by President Deanna Krumm at 6:37 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**- President Deanna Krumm, Treasurer Dennis Hrupka, Clerk Colleen Belmont, Member Curt Nikula, and District Administrator Roger Gahart were present for the meeting. Vice-President Joan Hancock was absent.
4. **Approval of Agenda**- A Hrupka/Nikula motion was made to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.
5. **Recognition and Awards**-none
6. **Approval of Board Minutes**
 - A. **Thursday, November 20, 2014 Board Meeting**- Mr. Gahart suggested adding more details to the Tax Levy Certification meeting minutes. Mrs. Belmont will edit those minutes and submit them for approval at next month's meeting. A Belmont/Hrupka motion was made to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2014 meeting. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Nikula abstained from voting since he was not present at the November meeting.
7. **Approve Payment of Bills**- A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to approve payment of bills totaling \$210,823.66. Motion carried 4-0.
8. **Correspondence**- none
9. **Comments from the Floor**-none
10. **Reports**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report**- A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to approve the December Treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Administrator's Report-

1. I wish to inform the Board that we recently conducted our lock-down drill, as well as all bus safety and evacuation drills with great efficiency. As we review our safety practices on an on-going basis, we added a new wrinkle to our bus safety preparation this year. With so many students being transported by parents to and from school, we realized that many students are not aware of safety and emergency procedures while riding the bus. Even if they just ride the bus once or twice a year on field trips, we need to prepare all students. On the day of the evacuations, once all of Marge's bus riders practiced the drill, we brought out two different groups of students to review bus safety procedures and to practice safely evacuating the bus. I also reviewed these practices with staff. All procedures were properly followed and student behavior was most appropriate. While there is no way of ever predicting if or how a crisis event can unfold, I have the utmost confidence that we have an effective plan in place and are prepared to make any necessary decisions and adjustments to keep our students and staff safe.
2. This has been a very busy week, as we have held three fantastic concerts each evening. On Monday, our primary grades dazzled the standing room only crowd, Tuesday our third and fourth graders and beginning band students entertained, and last night the concert band and choir serenaded our community. Congratulations to all performers and Mr. Warmuth for their outstanding work. Special thanks also to Mrs. Margie Blair, Mr. Mike Pace and Mr. Tom Schoenfeld for their work in decorating the gym, as well as the excellent sound and light production each night. Our shows at Paris are definitely first class!
3. Basketball and cheerleading seasons are starting up and we wish cheer coaches Blair & Christensen and hoops coaches Feivor, MacIsaac, and Cheney the best of luck as they lead the Panthers.
4. Further thanks to the PSO for another great movie night in December, as well as for providing holiday treats that were delivered by our own Parry the Panther.
5. I also wish to thank all of the wonderful parent volunteers who help in our classrooms every day. We are fortunate to have so many parents and grandparents who are actively involved in our educational programming.

On behalf of Paris students and staff, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year !!!

11. Discussion

A. Advance from Town of Paris on January 2015 Property Tax- Mr. Gahart, Mrs. Krumm and Mr. Hrupka attended the town meeting and requested a \$300,000.00 advance on the property tax monies. The advance was approved and a check has been received. The Town's attorney recommended that a resolution/formal document be in place for this agreement. Mr. Gahart is working on that with the Town's attorney.

B. April 7, 2015 School Board Election- Terms for both Mrs. Belmont and Mrs. Hancock will be up in April. Mrs. Hancock submitted her Notification of Non-Candidacy. Mrs. Belmont has submitted her Declaration of Candidacy.

12. Action

- A. Amendment of Policy- 423 Open Enrollment Program** – Definitions for Currently Attending Applicant (CAA) and Siblings were added, and changes were made to sections A and B under Non-Resident Open Enrollment Students. A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to approve the amendments. Motion carried 4-0.
- B. Election of WASB State Education Convention Delegate-** Mrs. Krumm offered to be the Board’s delegate this year at the convention. A Hrupka/Belmont motion was made to accept her offer. Motion carried 4-0.

13. Adjournment- A Hrupka/Nikula motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Belmont, Clerk
Board of Education