

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Arickaree School District R-2
Anton CO 80801-9601
March 19, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dina Hermes
Dustie Hickert
Tyson King
Deanna Schrock

MEMBERS ABSENT

Drew Axsom - Arrived at 6:02 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mike Page, Superintendent/Principal
Sara Walkinshaw, Business Manager/Secretary to Board

Audience: Jessica Strickert, Nicole Volberding, Ronda Peeples, and Emma Peeples.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Tyson King, with four members present. Roll call: Axsom ab, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, three members present.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded King to approve the February 13, 2024 minutes. Voting: Axsom ab, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Schrock to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Voting: Axsom ab, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Drew Axsom arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Motion was made by Hickert, seconded by Axsom to approve the payroll/payables as presented. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Celebrations & Congratulations:

Athletic Director's Report:

Winter sports completed. Regional tournament, All Conference: Raeya Schrock and Ja'Niya Smith & Jake King and Nic Hermes. Honorable Mention: Dillon Noletubby and Austin Wright. Senior games will be March 26th at HI Plains 5:00 p.m. girls and 6:00 p.m. boys. Spring sports: Track and Girls Golf. The track coaches are: Missey Trim, Kari Monat, & Haley Carman. Volunteer coaches: Fred Skubal and Pete Tel. I would like to hire Fred Skubal as weight coach all year to run the weight room. Track meets Saturday at Yuma 4 girls and 9 boys. Golf, Tuesday with 4 girls. Sports Coop: Woodlin is having a parent meeting next week. The next sports cycle we are ok in numbers, the 2nd year we need

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more athletes to make a team. Ask CHSAA about a petition. Are we open to a sports coop? CHSAA Justin Saylor, Mike spoke with him, there is no deadline on CHSAA right now to apply for a coop. Track uniforms came in and track equipment has been purchased.

Maintenance Report:

HVAC system mother boards (\$1,200.00 each) are failing, losing control of individual units. Honeywell quoting an update for \$30,000.00. Gym floor to do annual cleaning and sealing— Colorado Hardwood is \$7,000.00, Hillyard is \$4,500.00 and Marc is \$2,600.00. Last week of May or beginning of June. Future plan is Christmas break. Bus barn and Ticket booth electricity work - \$4,500.00. Ag room office new flooring & lights. The original water well has not been located yet. Working with Ruben at Nature's Sparkle on water system. Weight room, water system media needs replaced, been 20 years.

Board questions: Aren't there some grants we could get for the lighting, HVAC and water issues?

Bus #7 oil pump is under warranty and it was sent in. Bus #3 new started, been chasing wires and haven't found the issue. Won't start. Tried to pull start it, but it still wouldn't start. Will get it to Yuma to have Kelly work on it. Using the activity bus on the route currently.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Hermes to adopt RESOLUTION #6-24: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve the purchase of the HVAC mother board for \$1,200.00 and Hillyard for the gym floor in the amount of \$4,500.00 time to be determined." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Water System holding steady, nitrate levels are good. Manual backwashing to control system.

Board question: Test raw water? What are the numbers for it? If testing is good can we get away from testing and water nitrate removal system? John will ask Lydia.

Superintendent's Report-

Staffing for next year: 2-3 Elementary Teachers, 6th grade will go to Junior High. Split 4th and 5th grades and 3rd grade teacher resigned. Math- received an application today. Will reach out to him. Music Part time, prefer to cover elementary specials first. Part-time summer employment: open for 2 positions, one inside and one outside. The preschool received a 5 rating out of 5 for Colorado Shines, best they

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could get. Elementary met with Mike to discuss reading and writing, writing without tears presented, will look it over. May look at more programs. Legislatively, rural funding may have a chance to increase. Currently Arickaree receives \$30-40k, minimum set to possibly go to \$100k per year. Long-term expenses – base salary is not as high, hope to grow it. Legislative- the 140 day for retired teachers not having to track days, Superintendents may be added to this list. There is a bill to require schools to video tape board meetings.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Nicole Volberding, Ronda Peebles and Lacey Brady worked to create a Work Based Learning program– the program was presented by Nicole to the board with requirements for students to participate. Students must apply, do presentation and show accountability with employers. They would earn credits for working, prefer students to use 1st – 3rd periods in the day, which would be a best-case scenario.

Motion was made by Axsom, seconded by Hickert to adopt RESOLUTION #7-24: “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Work Based Learning Program for the 2024-2025 school year.” Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Hermes to adopt RESOLUTION #8-24: “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Policies as 3rd and Final: AC, JK, JKA, KDB=R, GBAA, JKD/JKE, JKD/JKE-R, JBB, LBD, LBD-R, GBEB, IC/ICA, BC, BC-R, and CBF Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Hickert to adopt RESOLUTION #9-24: “Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve John Schaffner as substitute teacher.” Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Axsom to table the 2024-2025 Calendar until April meeting. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

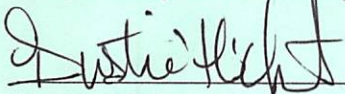
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Motion was made by Axsom, seconded by Hickert to adopt RESOLUTION #10-24: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to accept resignations from Kwankhaow (Gwen) Jefferson (immediately March 27, 2024), Joe Jefferson, Leilani Westraad and Margie Shafer (retiring)." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

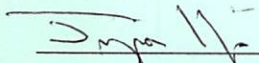
Motion was made by King, seconded by Hickert to approve Superintendent contract for 2 years, be sent to lawyer Coulter Bump for review. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Hickert to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be April 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, Hickert yes, King yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Dustie Hickert, Secretary



Tyson King, President