

Anderson School District #41
Regular School Board Meeting
October 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Anderson School District #41 was held via google meet, October 8, 2020, for considering business to come before the Board of Trustees.
Board Chair Warren Bauder called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Trustees Present Warren Bauder, Mary Burrows, Jack Huczek, Jaime June, and Brandon Atkins

Trustees Absent

Staff Present Kristi Jacobs: Superintendent; Tanya Roberts: Business Manager; Karen Hedglin: Owner’s Representative

Visitors Present Google meet attendees.

Correspondence There was none.

Committee Reports

APC Report Anna Allen reported on the APC’s capital campaign to fundraise to renovate/update the library/learning commons space:

**ANDERSON PARENT COUNCIL
LEARNING COMMONS SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION**

Anderson School is a unique environment. Children range between 5 and 13 years old, so the student body has vastly different needs. We hope, with your support, the new Learning Commons will become an inviting space, flexible enough for students of all ages.



The approximate costs for this project are as follows:

Item	Quantity	Cost	Total
72”x36” Bookshelves	22	\$1,500	\$33,000

5' Round tables	5	\$400	\$2,000
Chairs on castors	25	\$65	\$1,625
Soft seating allowance			\$6,000
Desk w/book return			\$8,000
Lighting			\$5,000
		TOTAL:	\$55,625

While donations of any size are greatly appreciated, we are happy to offer a Learning Commons Naming Opportunity to a sponsor or sponsors that provide substantial support for this project. Donation amount to be privately determined. Please reach out to apc@andersonmt.org for additional information.

Scholar Level Sponsor - \$2,500 +

- Name/Business Plaque placed on purchased bookshelf or furniture item
- Name/Business listed on Learning Commons Donor Display
- Library Bookmarks with your Name/Logo
- Name/Logo in Anderson monthly newsletter for 2021
- Name/Business listed in Bozeman Chronicle Thank You

Academic Level Sponsor - \$1,000+

- Name/Business Plaque placed on purchased bookshelf or furniture item
- Name/Business listed on Learning Commons Donor Display
- Name/Logo in Anderson monthly newsletter for 2021
- Name/Business listed in Bozeman Chronicle Thank You

Bookworm Level Sponsor - \$500+

- Name/Business listed on Learning Commons Donor Display
- Name/Business listed in Bozeman Chronicle Thank You

Reader Level Sponsor - \$250+

- Name/Business listed in Bozeman Chronicle Thank You

Public Participation on

Non-Agenda Items

Chair Warren Bauder reminded those in attendance that to avoid violations of individual rights of privacy, a member of the public wishing to address the Board during this time will not be allowed to make comments about any student, staff member, or member of the general public during his/her designated time to speak. In addition, the Board will not hear comments on contested cases or other adjudicative proceedings.

There was none.

Superintendent's

Report:

Fast Bridge Benchmarking

All students in Grades K-8 have completed their benchmark assessments in reading and math. Mrs. Fasting and I met with teacher teams on the PIR Day to review their classrooms data. With this information we are developing and have developed our intervention groups through the MTSS process. Overall we were pleased

with the results of the benchmarking and did not see a large “COVID slide” in academic areas that some schools are seeing.

Committee Meetings

Various school committees have begun meeting, and will be meeting on Wednesdays. The school committees this year are Staff Professional Development Plan Review, Negotiations, Leadership, School Board Facility Representative, Crisis, MTSS, Curriculum, Technology, Wellness and School Culture. During the year I will have various committees present information to you.

Virtual Flag Ceremony

We have made our Friday Flag Ceremony Virtual this year via Google Meet. This includes our Proud Panther of the Week award to a student in each class, and the Sizzling Bacon Award to a class or person who has gone above and beyond.

District Capacity Assessment

As part of being an MTSS sustaining school on Wednesday, October 7th Mrs. Fasting, Mrs. Schultz, and I are participating in a District Capacity Assessment with a trainer from the state. This process will help us review our building level components of MTSS and see what we might be missing with our current implementation.

Old Business

Annual Agenda

November Agenda:

Policy review

New Business

Discussion

Construction/Bond

Project Monthly Report Owner’s Representative, Karen Hedglin, reported the Quiet Room was removed from the project. She also reported that Building Reserve funds will be used for the following existing building issues:

- New exhaust fan at west wing classrooms
- New motor for boys dressing room exhaust fan
- Remove existing grease trap and repipe drains at kitchen prep area
- Replace controls at 2001 addition for VAV’s serving 7th, 8th, and Library

Ms. Hedglin reported on the projected completion dates: exterior walls: 10/15/20; roof framing: 11/19/20; Shingles: 12/14/20.

Onsite Instruction

Update

Superintendent Jacobs reported we are moving ahead with in person learning and all is going well. A letter to parents went out on Monday clarifying our protocols regarding students who are sick and families undergoing testing. Staff were also sent this letter so they were aware. Our pickup and drop off bins in the front have been busy but we have figured out systems that work, including student council speeches over Google Meet.

In discussion with our school nurse, Julie Ruff, we will not be doing temperature checks beginning October 18th. With warmer clothes and heat running in cars our temperature accuracy will go down quite a bit. Instead we will be asking parents to do temperature checks at home in the morning. I hope that our practice of doing this thus far will help parents remember to do it in the mornings. We have also supplied each teacher with a thermometer so they may check any of their students at any time. Finally, we have purchased a wall thermometer for our itinerant staff to use when they enter the building. They will continue this practice, plus we have that thermometer to use as a thermometer for any staff or student who needs to be checked.

My plan is for our cohort that is out to return for in person learning on Monday with all of our practices and protocols in place. I have also made it clear to staff both as a group and individuals if they are feeling uncomfortable to please let me know and we can make accommodations.

I have reached out to the health department to see if they are planning on setting up a meeting with county superintendents about current numbers and practices, I have not heard back yet. I am currently not aware of any of the other county schools in a cohort model planning to change their instructional model.

2020-21 School
Calendar

Superintendent Jacobs reported that during our meetings with Karen and Dick Anderson it came to our attention that there will be a lot of construction work that needs to be completed this summer, from replacing the septic system, demolishing the old building, and connecting the new and old parts with renovations. In our discussions it came up that the schedule was going to be tight and could we give the workers any extra time without students in the building to complete this work. I then started looking at the calendar, instructional minutes, and seeing what options we have. With the help of Jeff Vick, who is my resident instructional minutes expert, we were able to work the math so that we could potentially have the last day of school be a partial day, June 4th which is a week earlier than planned. 8th grade graduation would be set for Wednesday, June 2nd. Our instructional minutes have no issues K-5 we had room to give on those. To gain back the instructional minutes in 6-8, upon final approval of the board of the calendar change, 6th grade would move to an 8:10 start and 7th and 8th would move to an 8:05 start.

As part of this we would do a MOU with our teachers contract because it is through June 11th right now. Teachers would have two PIR Days June 7 and 8 to finish the packing/moving of their classrooms. Then the last three days we would transfer to the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year so teachers could have a full week in the new building before school starts to learn new protocols, procedures and get settled. We will be aiming for a start of school the Tuesday after Labor Day, Tuesday September 7th, to give the construction crew as much time as possible to finish work.

If you would like me to move forward in this process the next step is sending out the information to our parent community and soliciting input. We would also need to create the MOU between the school district and the teachers in regards to their contract. Then the MOU and the new calendar would need to be approved by the board.

YTD Budget Report

Business Manager Roberts presented the 9/30/20 budget report.

Action

Consideration of
Opt-In students

Motion to approve Opt-in students 7A & 7B:

Motion: Trustee Burrows

Seconded: Trustee Atkins-passed unanimously

Consideration of
Anderson School
Crisis Manual

Motion to approve the Anderson School Crisis Manual:

Motion: Trustee Burrows
Seconded: Trustee Atkins-passed unanimously

2nd Reading of 3141
Policy revision-
Discretionary Student
Attendance

The Board had a 2nd reading of an addition to policy 3141-Discretionary Student Attendance, adding the following condition: "The students' tuition for enrollment in the school district for the previous school years has been paid in full."
Motion to approve the policy revision as proposed:

Motion: Trustee Burrows
Seconded: Trustee Atkins-passed unanimously

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the September 10, 2020 regular meeting minutes, September 30, 2020 special meeting minutes, claim warrants 43299-43356; ach payroll warrants: 85109-85068; payroll warrants 5084-5097, and one addition to the substitute teacher list:

Motion: Trustee Burrows
Seconded: Trustee Atkins-passed unanimously.

Future Agenda Items Policy review

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 6 pm via google meet.

Adjournment No objection to adjournment of meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk

_____ Date
Board Chair