COOKE CITY SCHOOL DIST. #9------ School Board Meeting, June 12, 2024

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on June 12, 2024. Present were Trustees Marie Carpenter and Alix House, Visitor Sierra Wormlight, Teacher Lara Belice and Superintendent Lisa Rosberg. Clerk Laura Carroccia was present via speakerphone.

Trustee Marie Carpenter called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

BUSINESS:

A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and passed with all in favor to approve the minutes from the 5/16/24 and 4/15/24 meetings.

A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and passed with all in favor to approve the claims as presented.

A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and passed with all in favor to appoint Sierra Wormlight as trustee to fill the vacant trustee position.

Sierra Wormlight was sworn in as trustee by Superintendent Lisa Rosberg.

A discussion was held regarding a potential Building Reserve Fund levy with funds to be allocated to general maintenance and upkeep of school grounds and buildings. A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and passed with all in favor to go ahead with a building reserve fund levy of \$15,770, including the SMMA match.

A discussion was held about a possible resort tax grant through Cooke City. It would need to be used for infrastructure. The trustees decided to compile a list before the September meeting with possible infrastructure uses for a grant.

The clerk presented a spreadsheet of remaining funds. The General Fund is used up, there is money left in REAP but it can rollover. ESSER is used up.

A discussion was held about staff bonuses. Clerk, Laura Carroccia commented that REAP can be used for a teacher bonus but not a clerk bonus. Since there are no remaining general funds, the Chairman asked the clerk if funds within miscellaneous fund 115 could be used for a clerk bonus. Superintendent Lisa Rosberg stated and Laura confirmed that the Impact Aid funding within 115 could be used. Laura advised that this is part of the rainy-day funding that could be used in the event of the school going non-operational and will not be replenished if used. A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and carried with all in favor to give a bonus of \$1,600 to the clerk, to be paid out of the Impact Aid portion of Misc Fund 115. A motion was made (MC), seconded (AH), and carried with all in favor to give a bonus of \$9,000 to teacher Lara Belice which is approximately 20% of her salary, to be paid out of REAP funds.

Teacher Comments, Concerns:

Lara said the school year ended well. She commented that she has sold \$300 worth of compost that can be deposited in Fund 115. She has received good feedback about the Dark Sky film project.

Clerk comments, Concerns:

None

Superintendent comments, Concerns:

None

Board comments, Concerns:

A motion was made (MC), seconded (SW), and carried with all in favor to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday August 15, 2024 at 5 p.m.

Submitted by Laura Carroccia, Clerk