

Princeton R-V Board of Education Meeting (June 12th, 2023) Press Release

The Princeton R-V Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 12th, 2023. The following highlights of the board meeting included:

Board of Education Meeting

The consent agenda was approved consisting of Call Meeting to Order

- May 8th Board of Education Minutes
- May 16th Board of Education Minutes
- Bills for Payment and Any Necessary Fund Transfers

Old Business

- The school board approved a policy that would evaluate naming rights of school district facilities. The policy will provide for a committee to review proposals. In addition there will be community feedback collected that will be presented to the board of education for final review.
- The Board of Education approved a Cooperative agreement with the Mercer and Newtown Harris school district for football. Mercer and Newtown student's grades 7-12 will be eligible to play football at Princeton.
- The Princeton R-V Board approved the health insurance proposal from the broker Risk Strategies that will see no increase to the premiums for employees. This is the fifth year that the district has been self-insured with Insurance Management Service, which is the Third Party Administrator. Base HSA for an employee will remain at \$516.63 and the Base PPO will remain at \$607.35. The district cap will remain at \$600.
- Princeton Ball Association, in collaboration with The City of Princeton and The Princeton R-V School District, is currently engaged in a joint effort to relocate the softball and baseball fields to the Russ Derry Sports Complex. The new complex will consist of three fields, a parking lot, and a concessions/storage building.

The project timeline is as follows:

1. Week of June 19th: Installation of backstop poles is anticipated to take place during this week.
2. Late June: Volunteers will be responsible for trenching in electrical duct and water lines to the fields, light poles, and scoreboards.
3. Second week of July: A scheduled contractor will install the backstop netting.
4. Week of July 17th: The infield material is planned to be installed.
5. Late July: Volunteers will install the swing sets that have been purchased by the Princeton Rotary Club. The larger Playground Structure supported with a Grant from First Interstate Bank and Mercer Co. Area Development is scheduled for installation in early fall.
6. First week of August: Sidewalks and handicap parking are scheduled for installation.
7. Week of August 21st: Installation of bleachers and scoreboards will take place.
8. Monday, August 28th: The first home softball game is scheduled against Schuylar County.

If the weather cooperates and all necessary resources are available, it is anticipated that softball games will be played at the new fields during this season. The successful completion of the project relies on favorable weather conditions, dedicated volunteers, punctual contractors, and the timely delivery and availability of supplies.

New Business

- The board reviewed board policy updates that will be voted on at the regular July board of Education Meeting.

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- The Board Approved School Breakfast & Lunch Prices.
 - PK-5 Lunch = \$2.75
 - 6-12 Lunch = \$3.00
 - Adult Lunch = \$4.15
 - PK-12 Breakfast = \$2.00
 - Adult Breakfast = \$2.40
 - Milk = \$0.40
- The Board of Education approved a waiver that will permit one unit of science credit for students who complete three units of Agriculture Science courses. The three-unit career and technical program must constitute a planned program leading to specific career-related competencies. This will allow Princeton High School students to complete a three-unit agricultural-education course work to waive one unit of science. Currently Princeton High School students are required to take a total of three units of science.

The board entered closed session at approximately 6:00PM

Closed Session – the tentative agenda of this meeting includes a vote to close part of the meeting pursuant to R.S.M.O. 610.021– (2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate, (3) Hiring, firing, and disciplining of particular employees, (13) Individual identifiable records and ratings, (14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law

The board returned from closed session at approximately 6:25PM

Announcements

- 1) The Board approved the Extra Duty resignation of Scott Ussery from Athletic Director.
- 2) The Board approved the resignation of JH/HS Teacher Ashley Moore.
- 3) The Board approved the resignation of HS Secretary Amanda Mitchell.
- 4) The Board approved the Extra Duty Assignment of HS Girls Basketball Assistant Coach to Payton Goodin.
- 5) The Board approved the Extra Duty Assignment of JH Boys Basketball Coach to Ethan Sticken.
- 6) The Board approved the Hire of Mike Tipton for JH/HS Science Teacher.
- 7) The Board approved the Hire of Heather Hall for JH/HS Counselor.