

Princeton R-V School District/Board of Education Meeting
January 11th, 2023 Press News Release

Regular Board of Education Meeting

The agenda for the regular BOE meeting included:

- The Consent Agenda was approved consisting of
 - A) Approve December 12th, 2022 Board of Education Meeting Minutes
 - B) Approve Bills for Payment and any Necessary Fund Transfers
 - C) Financial Report -Cash Flow Report for Month of December

Announcements

- A) February BOE Meeting, Monday, February 13th, 2023 at 5:30PM

Old Business

- A) Athletic Director Scott Ussery updated the Board on the newest members of the GRC East. Brookfield and Marceline will join the GRC for the 24-25 School year.
- B) The School Board was presented a proposal from community member Danny Derry. Mr Derry offered \$30,000 for the opportunity to name the baseball field at the new complex after his Grandfather Dewey Derry. The Board of Education was grateful for the presentation from Mr. Derry and had significant discussion on the topic. Mr. Girdner shared that there is a lot to consider in naming rights. Some of the challenges are the two existing fields of Gerald Gentry & Dick Franklin field and if those field names would be moved to the new stadium. There has been recent suggestions about past coaches George Scurlock and Dave Niemeyer being honored with field names. Additionally there have been recent donations made that naming rights were not offered or considered. The concern would be if all previous donations should have an opportunity for naming rights and what that donation level should be. Discussion around a Wall of Fame at the concession stand to honor accomplished baseball and softball athletes, coaches, and contributors. The Wall of Fame would provide an opportunity to recognize our past while naming the fields numerically, Fields #1, #2, & #3. The school board asked Mr. Girdner to spend more time evaluating options for the board to consider.
- C) The School Board approved policy, regulation, & form updates: 0320, 0342, 0412, 1210, 1725, 2550, 2670, 2876, 4130, 4150, 4515, 4630, 5205, 6118, 6119,6190, 6191, 6215, 6251,& 6273.

New Business

- A) The Mercer County Economic Area Development (MCAD) board presented information on the possibility of a County Daycare. The proposal would require the Princeton School District to host, manage, and fund the program. A lot of the work on grant applications has been completed for the initial startup for the program. MCAD provided contact information on a possible facility to host the daycare. The school board had many questions regarding the facility, budget, and staffing. The board has asked the Superintendent to visit the facility located at 500 West Main St. in Princeton as soon as possible to provide more information for the board to consider.

The board went into closed session at 6:45pm.

Closed Session Announcements

- The board approved Brent Mitchell as the Golf Coach for the 2023 Spring Season.
- The board approved the contract extension of Superintendent Jerry Girdner. The contract will be for the 22-23, 23-24, & 24-25 School Year. Salary will be determined after the board evaluates the upcoming budget.

The board adjourned at 7:45pm

