

**PERU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 124 BOARD OF EDUCATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER AT PARKSIDE SCHOOL
THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023, 8:00 A.M.**

Present: Josanne Bruins, Austin Taylor and Rob Ankiewicz

Others Present: Jamie Craven, Brent Ziegler, Wes Miller and Megan Baltikauski

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Josanne Bruins at 8:00 a.m.

- Mr. Craven opened discussion regarding the current 8th grade graduation awards, the awards banquet, graduation awards and procedures for newly proposed awards and recognition.
- A review of all current awards/recognition was provided.
- There was a recommendation to keep the Jade Muylle Award at 8th Grade Graduation, as this award is for a current 8th Grade student who has earned the highest cumulative GPA in 8th grade, and all other current awards/recognition be presented and given at the awards ceremony. An announcement of all other awards/recognition given at the awards ceremony will be provided at graduation.
- A process for new awards/recognition was encouraged. How to say yes or no to a request and a list of options for gifts such as trees, a bench or flower beds was tossed around as to give the requestee options when presenting a request for a new award/recognition. The idea of a scholarship award is highly recommended over a gift.
- Committee members discussed when receiving future requests to have a policy or boundaries in place which would include a review of the criteria of the award and an approval process. It would start with the Building Principals, followed by the Superintendent then presented to the Policy Committee.
- Mr. Craven stated that he will discuss this information with the 8th grade team and provide a summary to the Board of Education during the August 17, 2023 Regular Meeting.

Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

Committee Chairperson

Superintendent