BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 22, 2020 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Denise McBride. Present: Denise McBride, Curt Gottschalk, Bob Pasch, Heather Curtiss, Ron Neyer, Rod Cole and Tom Gross.

 The Pledge of Allegiance was said

 Tom Gross read the Board Mission Statement.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 7/0.

Denise McBride welcomed Veena Cole and Julie Christensen.

There was no scheduled Student & Staff Spotlight.

There was no Board Business Presentations.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2020. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: School Equity Caucus Newsletter, Ad Staff Agenda, the August Aggie Express, information on enrollment numbers, Bill’s welcome back letter to staff, MMC Annexation Proposals flier, and monthly magazines.

Rod Cole reported on the Building, Grounds, Maintenance and Transportation Committee meeting. They discussed the Sewer Project.

Heather Curtiss reported for the District School Improvement Committee meeting. They were given a quick budget update. They were given an ESIT and SSIT committee meeting update. Julie Farrell gave a Title 1 update. Dan reported that SSIT is working on course description updates and a catalogue guide for electives. The Sex Ed curriculum will be brought to DSIT for approval.

Ben Eggenberger reported on the new website. He showed a video that Jason Johnston has on the website regarding Parent/Teacher Conferences. He updated the Board on the one on one chromebooks.

Dan Boyer reported that the one on one intiative has gone very well. Moral is high and everything is going fairly well. He gave a Return to Learn Plan update which included online learning information.

Rod Freeze reported that the Audit is done. Rod also gave a Munis software update.

Bill gave a huge thank you to Admin and Staff for all the work they’ve put into the beginning of this school year. Bill was worried about student relationships he would have this year with not having a child in the building, but there has been no need to worry. Everything has gone great with the students. There is a financial meeting scheduled with Jesse from Baker Tilly on September 29th and a Building, Grounds, Maintenance and Transportation meeting scheduled for October 13th. The elementary building principal was absent so Bill told the Board that they could find his Return to Learn Plan update in his board update.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the August payments of bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $450,600.76, Payroll Account payments of $804.71, Hot Lunch payments $9,493.34. Student Activity Account payments of $6,807.44, and Athletic Fund payments of $1,845.76. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill Chilman reported that Phase 1 of the Bond Project is complete. There is a financial meeting scheduled for the selling of the bonds for Phase 2.

Rod reported that the BCEF needs to meet to decide if they should have the Trunk or Treat this Halloween.

There was some discussion regarding the Sewer Project.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the following Building, Maintenance, Grounds and Transportation committee’s recommendation as follows:

1. That the District connect to the Nottawa Township sanitary sewer project pending further Negotiation with the township on the Monthly user fee.

1. That the District pay a connection fee and not participate in the 40-year special assessment.
2. That the District agrees to pay the connection fee using the .75 multiplier equaling the proposed 28.5 REU's.

1. That the District understands it is required by law, to enter into an operating agreement with the township, the "Operating Agreement" is currently being negotiated and reviewed by the District’s attorney.

Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the 2nd reading of the Title IX NEOLA Policy as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill reported that the State has passed new COVID legislation that requires us to review the Return to Learn Plan each month with the Board. The building principals included that report in their update.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Heather Curtiss to approve the 1st reading of the NEOLA Policy # 35-1 as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Heather Curtiss, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the hiring of Wendy Albrecht as a halftime custodian and halftime bus driver as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Heather Curtiss to accept Tami Wilson’s resignation as a full-time bus driver and Wendy Albrecht’s resignation as a halftime custodian and halftime bus driver as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to accept Dan Beckwith’s resignation as the 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Coach and the Varsity Boys Track Coach as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Heather Curtiss to approve the hiring of Brad Antcliff as a Voluntary Part Time Football Coach as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the hiring of Staci Vessell to fill the one year position as a Guidance Counselor as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Donna Horsley has decided to resign through PCMI as the Media Specialist.

Jessica Thomas and Jordan Gohs have been hired through PCMI and will share the Media Specialist position and a Special Ed Para-Pro position.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Heather Curtiss to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 7/0.

Recording Secretary

 Carrie Bleise

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary