

MINUTES

**Regular Board of Education Meeting
Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.
Board of Education Room at Durand Middle/High School**

Board Members Present: Tammy Hoyt, Audrey Martin, Lori Myers, TJ Poeschel, Becky Richardson, Jason Weisenbeck, Bill Yingst

Administrative Staff Present: Greg Doverspike
Attending via Zoom: Gretchen Cipriano, Bill Clouse, Erika Johnson, Michelle Zagozen

Meeting Called to Order
Board President, Mr. Yingst, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Notice of Meeting
Mr. Doverspike stated that the meeting was properly noticed in all of the regular places per Board policy.

Consent Agenda

- a. Agenda
- b. Minutes of the regular meeting on May 20, 2020.
- c. Treasurer's Report: As of May 31, 2020, the total balance of all district funds was \$4,145,825.57.
- d. Vouchers: Addendum to the May general fund voucher list including checks numbering 38983 to 38997 and ACH payments in the amount of \$254,686.21; and the June general fund voucher list including checks numbering 38998 to 39058 and ACH payments in the amount of \$398,928.71.

Motion made by Mr. Weisenbeck and seconded by Mrs. Richardson to approve the consent agenda items.
Motion carried.

Appearances Before the Board

None.

Business

- a. 2020-2021 Board Meeting Schedule
Motion made by Mr. Poeschel and seconded by Mrs. Richardson to approve the 2020-21 Board of Education meeting schedule as presented. Motion carried.
- b. Transfer of Funds to Close out Accounts for 2019-20
Motion made by Mrs. Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Hoyt to allow the transfer of funds between functions to close out accounts for 2019-20. Motion carried.
- c. 2020-21 Preliminary Budget
Motion made by Mrs. Richardson and seconded by Ms. Martin to approve the 2020-21 preliminary operating budget as presented. Motion carried.
- d. Renewal with EMC for Property, Casualty, and Workers Compensation Insurance
Motion made by Mrs. Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve a renewal with EMC Insurance for property, casualty, and worker's compensation insurance. Motion carried.
- e. AGR End of Semester Report
Mrs. Johnson reported there were no changes or updates from the winter data report because there were no spring assessments, however, progress was being made in the right direction.

f. Facility Re-Opening as of July 1st

There were three options presented for re-opening the school facilities. One is to stay closed; second is to re-open without any restrictions; and third is to re-open on a gradual basis with some restrictions. The county health department and our liability insurance carrier are okay with the third option. Motion made by Mr. Weisenbeck and seconded by Mr. Poeschel re-open July 1 based on option three. Motion carried.

Personnel

a. Resignations

i. Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional

Cindy Thomas, elementary school paraprofessional, has submitted a letter of resignation. Motion made by Mrs. Richardson and seconded by Ms. Martin to accept the resignation. Motion carried

Committee Reports

a. Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology

i. Middle School Social Studies Textbook Adoption

ii. Name Change of Senior Level Required Social Studies Course

Middle school social studies curriculum is old and outdated so a new textbook was presented to the Board for approval. With the new textbook there was a shift in curriculum. Eighth grade civics is being shifted to the senior level social problems class. Because of the shift in curriculum, a request was made to change the name of the class "Social Problems" to "Society and Civics". Motion made by Mrs. Hoyt and seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve the middle school social studies textbook and the name change of the senior level required social studies class. Motion carried.

Administrative Reports

a. Greg Doverspike, District Administrator

i. Re-Opening of School for 2020-2021 Planning Process

DPI will be releasing a re-opening plan on June 22. Mr. Clouse and Mrs. Johnson will be meeting with some of their staff on June 25 to plan for the re-opening.

ii. Community Growth Discussions with City of Durand and Pepin County

Mr. Doverspike met with the City and County to discuss how we could market our area to people working from home. We have great internet service and it is an opportunity to promote small town living.

iii. CARES Funds Received and Reporting Process

We will be receiving more than \$182,000 from the CARES funds, but some of this will need to be shared with the private school.

iv. High Cost Transportation Aid

There is no way to predict how much we will receive in high cost transportation aid from year-to-year. We budgeted an aid payment of \$100,000, but we will actually be receiving about \$193,000 for 2019-20.

v. Update on Tarrant Park Softball Field Construction

The final design for the softball fields should be complete by mid-July. The plan is to break ground for the softball fields in August and seed the fields in September. We are working with the City to finalize the purchase agreement.

b. Bill Clouse, Middle/High School Principal

c. Erika Johnson, Elementary Principal

d. Gretchen Cipriano, Director of Teaching and Learning

e. Michelle Zagozen, Director of Pupil Services

f. Royson Snyder, Building and Grounds Supervisor

Appearances Before the Board

None.

Executive Session

Motion made by Mr. Weisenbeck and seconded by Mrs. Myers to convene into executive session in accordance with §19.85(1)(c). Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion to Return to Open Session

Motion made by Mrs. Hoyt and seconded by Ms. Martin to return to open session. Motion carried. Returned to open session at 7:16 p.m.

Take Action on Items Discussed During Executive Session

There was no action taken during executive session.

Adjournment

Motion made by Ms. Martin and seconded by Mr. Weisenbeck to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Secretary,



Linda Komro