

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
Board Room
July 1, 2020

Present: Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member
Mrs. Cathi Root, President
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member
Mr. Scot Taylor, Member
Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President

Adm./Others: Mrs. Michelle Bombard, Principal (Zoom)
Mr. Willard Cook, Principal (Zoom)
Dr. David Hamilton, Superintendent
Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Dir. of Instruction (Zoom)
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Dir. Of Pupil Services (Zoom)
Mr. Joshua Roe, Principal (Zoom)
Mrs. Jill Reese, Clerk
Mrs. Kendra Seaver, Treasurer (Zoom)

Absent: Dr. Abram Nichols, Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:08 pm in the Board Room.

2. AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

Leslie Spurgin and Jeremy Gould, of Insero & Co., joined the meeting via Zoom and explained the process of the annual audit from start to finish. They explained that there will be fewer people working on campus this year due to COVID-19. Any findings will be included in the management comment letter after the audit is completed. The audit is schedule to begin on July 13, 2020.

3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve Board Minutes dated June 17, 2020 for the Regular Meeting as presented.

4. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Bombard reported from the youth little league games that had started tonight. The Elementary has wrapped up class lists working on curriculum and getting ready for next year.

Mr. Cook reported the middle school was also wrapping up the year by gathering textbooks and chrome books that the students had borrowed. They are now trying to get organized for next year.

Mr. Roe stated that held a virtual awards ceremony this year on Facebook. Teachers and community members submitted video and teachers read awards. Big thank you to all who helped. Graduation was held on football field this year, thanks to Dave Keene and his crew and all who helped out. Everything looked fantastic thanks to everyone. We are now looking at data from the school year and will start trying to planning for next year.

Mrs. Keene has been working on federal grant that is due July 10. It is all set and ready to go. This grant supports special education programs and services. The grant money goes to salaries and special education programming.

Mrs. Meister reported that she had finished the last IEP's and 504's and they will be approved tonight.

Dr. Hamilton congratulated everyone, Administrators and staff for a strong closing of the school year. All seniors completed their work and graduated. Governor is scheduled to release guidance to schools on July 13 on requirements for opening. We have looked at Massachusetts plans and we have been brainstorming on how to get students here, feed and teach them. We will be moving forward with submitting supply orders for next year. As of now, there will be No additional cuts, and we are moving forward with the budget that was agreed upon.

Essential workers when returning from a state included on the red list, must get tested immediately upon return, 7 days quarantine while work remotely.

Yes, we are required to provide students with an education if they are home sick with COVID and even if the families are keeping students home due to fear of getting COVID. We will be polling parents with a survey on certain topics relating to transportation and the start of the school year.

Again, we have received no guidance from the state yet. Massachusetts has some good guidelines out there that we have been looking at. We will continue to brainstorm and look for something from NYS.

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the *Old/New Business Consent Agenda* as follows:

Revision to the summer recreation position listing for the period of June 29, 2020 – July 24, 2020 - Mia Hayes replaces Jacob Howland as counselor

Approval of the transportation request received from the Card family to transport their child to and from Ross Corners Christian Academy beginning in September

6. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the *Financial Consent Agenda* items as follows:

Food Service Bid Sheets as presented

2020-21 School Lunch Prices to remain the same as 2019-20 as follows:

Elementary and Middle School Breakfast and Lunch: \$0.00

High School Breakfast: \$1.50 High School Lunch: \$2.85

7. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Instructional Staff, Support Staff, and Volunteer lists as presented for the 2020-21 school year.

8. CSE/CPSE/504 RECOMMENDATIONS

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve CSE, CPSE or 504 Recommendations as presented.

9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Scot Taylor, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to enter into executive session at 7:14 pm, to discuss matters leading to the employment of particular person or persons.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Scot Taylor, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to return to public session at 7:48 pm.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Jill Reese
Clerk