

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
August 18, 2021

Present: Mr. Chris Klossner, Member
Mrs. Cathi Root, President
Mr. Gregory Schweiger, Member
Mr. Joshua Whitmore, Member
Mrs. Lee Wood, Member
Mrs. Pamela Zwierlein, Vice-President

Adm./Others: Mr. Joshua Roe, Superintendent
Mrs. Michelle Bombard, ES Principal
Mr. Willard Cook, MS Principal
Mr. Jacob Roe, HS Principal
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Dir. of Student Services
Mrs. Jill Reese
Mrs. Kendra Seaver

Others: Ms. Stephanie Fuller

Absent: Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Dir. of Instruction
Mr. Aaron Lounsbury, Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mrs. Root read various emails received prior to the meeting with questions/comments for the board. The board and administration addressed all of the emails regarding remote learning options, policy questions, masking, vaccinations, and questions about pre-kindergarten class sizes.

2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the July 28, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

3. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Meister stated that there have been several move-ins and move-outs that she is working on. Much of her data has been submitted, she is still working on discipline data. Training for her staff has been scheduled for September 7. Currently working on obtaining scripts for students and parental consents.

Mrs. Bombard reported that New Teacher Orientation was yesterday, and she has two new teachers in her building. Letters to families went out and now they are working on how Open House will look; UPK is scheduled for 8/31 and K-4 is on 9/7.

Mr. Cook reported that the accelerated Science program is being implemented in the middle school and 16 8th grade students are eligible to participate and have been contacted. F&P training took place last week for three days; MS scheduling is almost done, they are working on balancing classes now; also planning for 5th grade Transition Night and 7th grade Orientation; a meeting with MS teachers is scheduled for tomorrow.

Mr. Jacob Roe stated they have finished schedules and grades 10-12 will be mailed out tomorrow with an introduction letter, a brief re-opening plan, backpack, and cell phone policy. 9th grade orientation is scheduled for 9/1 and they will receive schedules at that time.

Mr. Joshua Roe reported that we received a mailing from our attorney's office stating we must follow CDC recommendations and best practices with regard to insurance liability and coverage.

Mr. Roe went over the tentative re-opening plan and stressed that everything could change depending on any new guidance or recommendations we may receive. He will be meeting with the public health department on Friday. Some bullet points covered in the plan: No remote learning will be offered, we will however have a plan in place in case of quarantines or shut downs; if vaccinated, no quarantine needed with voluntary proof of vaccination; traditional bus runs (1 run only) masks are required and there will be a late bus run this year; no tickets required for entrance to school, however parents must pre-screen children each day.

Mr. Roe went on to discuss the proposed Capital Project that was initiated by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Roe has narrowed the original scope down to just necessities, he stated this will be 0% tax levy increase for residents and will involve all buildings and bus garage asphalt repair. The timeline starts this fall with the public referendum, with hopes to start work in the Summer of 2022 for some items and others will be during the Summer of 2023 and 2024.

4. 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:

Approval of the Parent, Transportation and Athletic Handbooks for 2021-22

5. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Financial Consent Agenda as follows:

*Approval of July 2021 Claims Auditor Report
Approval of July 2021 Extraclassroom Report
Approval of the School Tax Warrant*

6. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Chris Klossner, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda as follows:

Rescind previous appointment of Jodie Harding, K-6 position

*Approval of the requests for FMLA received from:
Karli Myers and Melissa Petinatto*

*Approval to create 5 Federally Funded Monitor positions
2 Elementary School, 2 Middle School, and 1 High School*

Approval of the following Support Staff Probationary appointments:

*Name of appointee: Shelley Chilson
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

*Name of appointee: Lisa Hale
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

*Name of appointee: Alyssa Mosher
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

*Name of appointee: Spencer Short
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

*Name of appointee: Elizabeth Strong
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

*Name of appointee: Sarah VanAlstine
Position: Monitor
Date of commencement of probationary service: September 1, 2021
Expiration date of appointment: August 31, 2022*

Approval of the following additions to the Substitute and Volunteer Lists:

*Lindsay Haskell – Instructional Staff
Christina Gusefski – Instructional Staff
Justine Harding – Support Staff
Anastasia Murphy – Support Staff*

Approval to increase the Athletic Events Supervisor stipend as discussed

7. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

Another email comment was received during the meeting thanking the administration and board of education for providing a safe place to educate our future.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Lee Wood, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to enter executive session at 7:15 pm.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to return to public session at 7:53 pm.

9. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Lee Wood, seconded by Chris Klossner, and carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Jill Reese
Clerk