

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Regular Meeting
HS Cafeteria
August 19, 2020

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

Adm./Others: Mrs. Michelle Bombard, Principal
Mr. Willard Cook, Principal
Dr. David Hamilton, Superintendent
Mrs. Kathleen Keene, Dir. of Instruction
Mrs. Meredith Meister, Dir. Of Pupil Services
Mr. Joshua Roe, Principal

Others: Mrs. Kristy Robertson, Food Service
Mr. Dave Keene, Maintenance
Mrs. Kendra Seaver, Treasurer
Mr. David VanDusen, Transportation

Absent: Dr. Abram Nichols, Member
Mr. Scot Taylor, Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Root called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the HS Cafeteria.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve Board Minutes dated August 5, 2020 for the Regular Meeting as presented.

4. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Cook reported they are still contacting parents to get decisions, 9 families that have not responded. Approximately 40 students going to remote option. Working on filling the Spanish and Special Ed. vacancies. Probably no 7th grade orientation this year.

Mr. Roe is working on finalizing schedules and balancing class sizes. Approximately 21 students going to remote option. Nick has been doing a great job this summer, a tremendous amount of

work to get set up for the upcoming year. Also appreciate all the hours and effort put in by Kristy, Dave K. and Dave V. We are still looking for a Math teacher to fill the vacancy. Freshman Orientation will be happening, but will look different.

Mrs. Bombard stated that Dave K. and his crew have the building back together for the most part. 11 families have not responded and about 55 students going to remote option. Pre-K screening next week on Monday and Tuesday. Kindergarten open house is 9/10 by appointment only. The rest of the teachers are doing videos for virtual open house.

Mrs. Keene stated that she is working on new teacher orientation scheduled for 8/27. Also wrapping up the consolidated application.

Mrs. Meister reported that she has been getting some transfers into the district, trying to find placements and working with transportation to get plans in place.

There was more discussion regarding staffing needs in the custodial department due to the increased needs during the pandemic.

Dr. Hamilton stated that they have been meeting to work through details and create documents with the details, everyone of those tasks has to be thought about and evaluated. There are a lot of unknowns and we all will have to adapt. Every plan is subject to change. Thank you for everyone's flexibility and time.

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of start date for in-person instruction

A couple area schools have postponed in-person instruction until 10/5 and more districts have been talking about it. All of the building principals agree that they have a good plan in place for in-person instruction to begin on September 11. We will base what we do on the numbers in our community and stick with the plan. The Board agreed to move forward as planned.

Transportation Request Discussion

There was a brief conversation regarding the requests recently received and it was recommended and agreed that we follow our procedures.

Non-Resident Discussion

Because of the limitations in the classrooms, etc. during COVID we will not accept **NEW** non-resident students beginning with the date of the decision. Prior NR students from previous years will be allowed. It was agreed that this would be applied to the current school year only.

Office of State Comptroller Audit Discussion

Dr. Hamilton has drafted 2 responses and corrective action plans. We have several items that can be done to save money.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the Transportation Manual, Parent Handbook and Athletic Handbooks for the 2020-21 school year as presented.

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the Transportation Request received from the Visscher family for transportation to and from North Rome Christian School for the 2020-21 school year.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the amendments to the Support Staff, Teachers, and Administrators contracts as presented.

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0, to approve the 2020-21 Terms and Conditions for David Keene, Jill Reese, Kendra Seaver, and David VanDusen as presented.

Approval of the amendment to the Superintendent's Contract was tabled.

6. FINANCIAL

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the *Financial Consent Agenda* items as follows:

July 2020 Claims Auditor Report
July 2020 Extraclassroom Report

7. PERSONNEL

A MOTION was made by Joshua Whitmore, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the following permanent appointments:

Gary Deming, Bus Driver
Ashley Guiles, Registered Professional Nurse
Mary Klossner, Monitor
Collene Sindoni, Monitor

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, Aaron Lounsbury abstained, carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the following probationary appointments:

<i>Name of Probationary Appointee:</i>	<i>Amanda Bailey</i>
<i>Civil Service Position:</i>	<i>School Monitor</i>
<i>Probationary period:</i>	<i>Sept. 1, 2020-August 31, 2021</i>
<i>Permanent appointment date:</i>	<i>September 1, 2021</i>

<i>Name of Probationary Appointee:</i>	<i>Stephanie Green</i>
<i>Civil Service Position:</i>	<i>School Monitor</i>
<i>Probationary period:</i>	<i>Sept. 1, 2020-August 31, 2021</i>
<i>Permanent appointment date:</i>	<i>September 1, 2021</i>

<i>Name of Probationary Appointee:</i>	<i>Audra Jaye</i>
<i>Civil Service Position:</i>	<i>School Monitor</i>
<i>Probationary period:</i>	<i>Sept. 1, 2020-August 31, 2021</i>
<i>Permanent appointment date:</i>	<i>September 1, 2021</i>

<i>Name of Probationary Appointee:</i>	<i>Ann Lounsbury</i>
<i>Civil Service Position:</i>	<i>School Monitor</i>
<i>Probationary period:</i>	<i>Sept. 1, 2020-August 31, 2021</i>
<i>Permanent appointment date:</i>	<i>September 1, 2021</i>

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the addition of Kassandra Darrah to the Support Staff Substitute List for 2020-21.

8. CSE/CPSE/504 RECOMMENDATIONS

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Aaron Lounsbury, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve CSE, CPSE, or 504 recommendations as presented.

9. VOICE OF THE PUBLIC

There were NO questions/comments from the public.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Aaron Lounsbury, seconded by Gregory Schweiger, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to enter into executive session at 7:23 pm, to discuss matters regarding collective negotiations.

A MOTION was made by Gregory Schweiger, seconded by Pamela Zwierlein, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to return to public session at 7:44 pm.

11. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Pamela Zwierlein, seconded by Joshua Whitmore, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Kendra Seaver
Treasurer