

**PINE RIVER AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
Remote Attendance Only  
January 27, 2021**

A fully remote Workshop Meeting of the Pine River Area Schools Board of Education was held on Wednesday, January 27, 2021. This meeting was fully remote due to the current MDHHS order prohibiting non-residential indoor gatherings.

**I. Roll Call**

President Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: 7 (remotely)-Kim Dean, Kevin Delancey, Katy Draper, Robert Kulpa, Heather Marks, Jim Peterson, and Tom Shook.

Members absent: N/A

Administrators/Directors present: 3 (remotely)-Matt Lukshaitis, Josie Hill, Rob Sibary  
Admin/Directors absent: 4-Heidi Hayes, Emily Adema, and Brent Ruppert.

Others Present: Anthony Esson, Architect and Scott Jernberg, Triangle Construction to present information regarding bidding process and winning contracts.

**II. Approve Agenda**

Motion by Ms. Draper, seconded by Mr. Kulpa to approve the agenda as presented.

*Roll Call Vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion carried.*

**III. Communications and Public Comment**

No public comment was made at this meeting

**IV. Old Business-N/A**

**V. New Business**

A. Resignations (2)

Motion by Ms. Marks, seconded by Mrs. Dean to accept the immediate resignation of Mr. Tim Jones, Varsity Wrestling Coach, as recommended by the Athletic Director and Superintendent.

*Roll Call Vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion carried.*

Motion by Mr. Kulpa, seconded by Mrs. Draper to accept the immediate resignation of Mr. TJ Updike, Bus Driver/Custodian, effective February 5, 2021, as recommended by the Transportation Director and Superintendent.

*Roll Call Vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion carried.*

B. New Hires (1)

Motion by Ms. Marks, seconded by Mr. Delancey to approve the hiring of Terry Martin, Varsity Wrestling Coach, effective immediately, at a coaching step 5, as recommended by the Athletic Director and Superintendent.

*Roll Call Vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion carried.*

C. Approve Construction Bids

Motion by Mr. Shook, seconded by Mr. Kulpa to award bid package as submitted and recommended by the Superintendent.

*Roll Call Vote: Ayes-7, Nays-0, Motion carried.*

*\*\*\*Architect, Anthony Esson and Scott Jernberg of Triangle Construction presented and explained bid packages along with how the bid process and interviews went.*

**VI. Other**

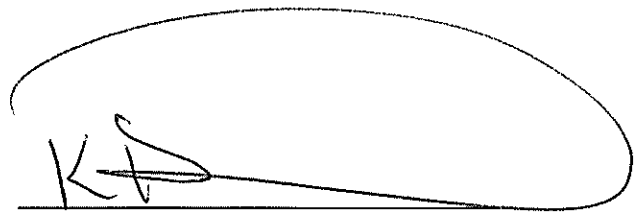
Board member, Kevin Delancey, addressed the board regarding the delay of winter sports. He asked the board to make a public declaration show lack of support of current MDHHS Epidemic Order regarding the delay of winter contact sports. Mr. Lukshaitis presented a drafted letter to the board, written to Governor Gretchen Whitmer requesting the start of winter contact sports to convene as early as February 1, 2021. With Board approval, Mr. Lukshaitis offered to mail letter to Governor Whitmer, post a copy to the school's website and send a copy to the Cadillac News as a press release. He received unanimous board support of this offer.

Mr. Shook asked about plans to improve the district's air quality/HVAC systems. Mr. Lukshaitis advised that options are being explored and estimates/quotes sought regarding this matter. Mr. Shook also advised that if the district is ever considering moving to a "balanced calendar" then air conditioning in classrooms should also be explored.

**VII. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. after Mr. Shook made the motion.

I hereby certify the attached is a true copy of the proposed minutes of a Workshop Meeting held on the 27th day of January, 2021, and that said proposed minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 8th day of February, 2021.



Secretary, Board of Education