

Minutes of the School Board Meeting
School District of Shullsburg
December 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Eugene Uehling.

Open Meeting Law

Lee Gill read the notice of the meeting in compliance with Open Meeting Law and Statutory Notices.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Eugene Uehling, Chad Teasdale, Lee Gill, Lauren Ray, Jacinda Gunnell, Melanie Andrews, Nathan Russell
Administration Present: District Administrator, Mark Lierman and Dana Bendorf, Principal

Legal Meeting

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by J. Gunnell to declare the meeting a legal meeting. All voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Public Present

Julie Witmer, Joe Diedrich, Tammy Woodworth

Joe Diedrich addressed the board thanking the school for supporting the Shullsburg Rescue Squad and allowing some staff members to be able to answer calls when needed.

Positive News for the Shullsburg School District

Mr. Lierman reported that the Esports teams are making a name for themselves and doing very well. The Girls and Boys basketball teams are handling all of the schedule changes that are happening. The Trap Team are conference champs for the fall season and school lunches are now being delivered by Miner Transportation. This has increased the lunch count by about 40 lunches.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board meeting on November 11, 2020
- C. Approval of Minutes from the Special Board meeting on November 23, 2020
- D. Approval of Payment of Payroll and Vouchers
Monthly payroll checks #44207 through #44211 and direct deposits #15330 through #15439. The gross payroll total for November/December is \$189,172.41. Invoices approved by the Board: checks #25940 through #26026 and wire transfers #316 through #346 for a total of \$153,437.32. Total checks written for the month of December 2020 of \$342,609.73.

E. Uehling stated that he would like to amend the agenda to remove item 9.A.2 and add item 8.i Esports Co-op. Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Gill to approve the amended agenda. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve the consent agenda, meeting minutes from 11/11/2020 and 11/23/2020 and payment of payroll & vouchers. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Business

Consideration of and Action on Purchase of iPads, Chromebooks and ClearTouch Interactive Panels Using Previously Donated Funds

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by J. Gunnell to approve purchasing iPads, Chromebooks and ClearTouch interactive panels using the donation funds. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on 2021-2022 Course Description Guide

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Ray to approve the 2021-2022 course description guide. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Report on Violent Threat Drill Conducted on November 19, 2020 as is Required per Act 143

Mr. Lierman presented the violent threat drill report to the school board members.

Consideration of and Action on Virtual Instruction/Teacher Preparation on Fridays During In-person Instructional Weeks

Motion by M. Andrews, seconded by L. Gill to approve making Fridays a virtual instruction and preparation day for our teachers. On a roll call vote, 4 Yes (Uehling, Gill, Gunnell, Andrews) 3 No (Teasdale, Ray, Russell) and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on the Possibility of Continuation of Virtual Instruction from December 14, 2020 through December 23, 2020

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Ray to approve returning to in-person instruction on December 14th. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on the Possibility of Pivoting to Virtual Instruction for a Period of Time Beginning on January 4, 2021 as a Precaution

Motion by L. Ray, seconded by N. Russell to approve virtual instruction beginning January 4th through January 8th and returning to in-person instruction on January 11th. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on Following the New CDC Guidance for Determining Quarantine Length
No action taken.

Consideration of and Action on Recommendation from Buildings and Grounds Choosing an Engineering Company for Storm Water Management Project

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve contracting with Delta 3 Engineering for our Storm Water Management Project. On a roll call vote, all voted yes except L. Ray who abstained and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on Esports Co-op or Tri-op

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Gill to approve an Esports Co-op or Tri-op with Scales Mound and Benton. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Personnel

Consideration of adjourning to closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(c), which permits convening in closed session for the purpose of considering the employment and compensation of public employees/job candidates for the purpose in Item 9.A.1-9.A.3 a-c.

1. Consideration of and Action on Junior High Special Education Teacher Contract
2. Consideration of and Action on Additional Compensation for Teachers Fulfilling Junior High Special Education Responsibilities – Item Removed from Agenda
3. Administrative Annual Reviews
 - a. Presentation of Special Education/Pupil Services Director's Evaluation by the District Administrator
 - b. Presentation of Principal's Evaluation by the District Administrator
 - c. District Administrator's Evaluation

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve adjourning to closed session at 7:23pm. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

President E. Uehling announced the item to be covered in closed session – Consideration of and Action on Junior High Special Education Teacher Contract, Administrative Annual Reviews – Presentation of Special Education/Pupil Services Director's Evaluation by the District Administrator and District Administrator's Evaluation.

Convened in closed session at 7:23pm

Reconvene in open session at 7:55pm

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by N. Russell to reconvene to open session to act on items from closed session. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Action resulting from closed session

No action taken on any of the closed session items.

Administrative Reports

Administrator's Report

Mr. Lierman reported that we received a Thank you from the family of Dave Jamiska. He gave updates on live streaming for board meetings, committee updates, spring election timelines and percent of budget expended.

Adjournment

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to adjourn. All voted yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Lee Gill, Clerk