

Minutes of the School Board Meeting
School District of Shullsburg
February 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice-President, Jacinda Gunnell.

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: Chad Teasdale, Lee Gill, Lauren Ray, Jacinda Gunnell, Melanie Andrews, Nathan Russell

Absent: Eugene Uehling

Administration Present: District Administrator, Mark Lierman and Dana Bendorf, Principal

Legal Meeting

Motion by C. Teasdale, seconded by L. Gill to declare the meeting a legal meeting. All voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Public Present

Julie Witmer, Kayla Barnes-RJ

Positive News for the Shullsburg School District

Mr. Lierman reported that the Gifted and Talented students participated in a math challenge. Spelling bee winners: Liam McGovern-Stierman, Runner-up Asha Leahy and Alternate Kallie Timmerman. The Girls basketball team are undefeated conference champions and received a #2 Seed for the WIAA Tournament. The Boys basketball team received a #1 Seed for the WIAA Tournament.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board meeting on January 13, 2021

C. Approval of Payment of Payroll and Vouchers

Monthly payroll checks #44217 through #44227 and direct deposits #15544 through #15647. The gross payroll total for January/February is \$190,165.07. Invoices approved by the Board: checks #26161 through #26247 and wire transfers #435 through #580 for a total of \$239,970.53. Total checks written for the month of February 2021 of \$430,135.60.

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by L. Ray to approve the consent agenda, meeting minutes from 1/13/2021 and payment of payroll & vouchers. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Business

Consideration of and Action on Summative Student Assessment Requirements for the Second Semester of the 2020-2021 School Year

Motion by C. Teasdale, seconded by L. Gill to proceed forward to have summative student assessments in-person and make accommodations for virtual learners to take assessments in-person unless other arrangements are made. On a roll call vote, 4 Yes (Gill, Teasdale, Ray, Gunnell) and 1 No (Andrews) and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on Determination of Academic Excellence Scholarship Recipient

Motion by L. Ray, seconded by M. Andrews to approve Madison Russell as the 2020-2021 Academic Excellence Scholarship recipient. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Achievement Gap Reduction Grant Mid-Year Review

Mrs. Bendorf presented information on the achievement gap reduction grand mid-year review.

Consideration of and Action on School Sponsored Spring Events Protocol

No action taken

Consideration of and Action on Determining a Potential Date to Return to 5-Day per Week In-Person Instruction with No Virtual Option
No action taken

Personnel

Contemplated adjourning to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) which permits convening in closed session for the purpose of discussion, consideration and action as appropriate, regarding considering the employment and compensation of public employees/job candidates for the purpose in Items 9.A.1.-9.A.6.

1. Consideration of and Action on the Proposed Elementary Sections and Staffing Assignments
2. Consideration of and Action on the Proposed Master Schedule of Junior High, High School Course Offerings and Staffing Assignment Recommendations
3. Discussion of and Possible Action on Teacher Non-renewals (Issuance of Preliminary Non-Renewal Notices)
4. Consideration of and Action on Employment of High School Track Coach
5. Consideration of and Action on Professional Staff Member Request for Unpaid Leave
6. Consideration of and Action on Professional Staff Member Resignation

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve adjourning to closed session at 7:09pm. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Convene in closed session as described in Item 9.A. at 7:09pm.

Reconvene in open session at 8:24pm

Motion by M. Andrews, seconded by L. Gill 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.

Discussion, Consideration and Action, as appropriate, regarding closed session items

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve option A as recommended by administration. All voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by L. Ray to approve option D and allow administration to adjust as needed. All voted yes except N. Russell who abstained and the motion was adopted.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Gill to approve issuing preliminary non-renewal notice to Nikki Erickson. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve the hiring of Tammie Fick for the High School Track Coach. On a roll call vote all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Ray to accept the unpaid leave request from Emily Reinicke. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Administrative Reports

Administrator's Report

Mr. Lierman reported on committee updates, spring election timeline reminders, preliminary 2021-2022 revenue limit worksheet and percent of budget expended.

Adjournment

Motion by C. Teasdale, seconded by N. Russell to adjourn. All voted yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Lee Gill, Clerk