

**Hicksville Exempted Village Schools
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
March 15, 2021**

The Hicksville Exempted Village Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room. The meeting was opened by President, Jennifer Caryer, with the following Board members answering roll call: Minda Jones, Craig Eiden, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer.

The following items were discussed by the building principals.

Elementary School – Kirsten Coffman

- March 11 & 12 was Kindergarten Registration, total of 78 students registered at this moment
- 3 & 4 grade students will begin ELA testing next week
- Congratulations to 3rd grade student Clarissa Brown for placing in the top five in a national contest

Middle School – Mike Altman

- Finishing up 2nd round of formal evaluations
- State Testing – Mrs. Taylor is prepping our students for March Mathness, our students have historically performed very well and we are among the top schools on an annual basis. A lot of credit goes to Mrs. Taylor
- Preparing for 6th grade Shake

High School – Jeff Slattery

- ACT test for the Junior Class was recently administered as required by law
- Interviews recently done for Mrs. Leon's students
- Senior Coronation was held in commons this year due to Covid
- March 9th was APT interviews, HEVSD students earned 6 of the 8 spots
- Started women's self-defense course today
- Senior Trip update – looking to have a trip to Gatlinburg this May 4th to May 8th. Number 1 goal is to be as safe as possible.
- Prom – Currently scheduled for Saturday May 1st. Still waiting for Governor DeWine to provide updated guidelines.
- Spring Break – March 29 through April 2
- Commencement is over Memorial Day weekend, Sunday May 30th at 2:00 p.m.

Four County Career Center – (nothing to report)

The following items were discussed by Keith Countryman, Superintendent.

- Met with Beth Lewis of ESC regarding Pre-school in the new building
- Continue to meet weekly with building contractors, everything is still on schedule
- Have met with furniture vendor for new building
- Majority of employees received first Covid shot on Friday, February 26th, 2nd shot is scheduled for Friday, April 9.

Stephanie Mazur moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

1. Minutes from the regular board meeting on February 22, 2021.
2. Treasurer's Consent Agenda Items
 - a. Cash Reconciliation as of February 28, 2021
 - b. Financial Statements for February 2021
 - c. Approve Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources for Fiscal Year 2021 as presented, total General Fund Resources of \$14,461,511.93 and total Resources for all funds of \$25,543,328.13
 - d. Approve Amended Fiscal Year 2021 Permanent Appropriations as presented, total General Fund Appropriations of \$11,857,031.04 and total Appropriations for all funds of \$21,310,663.27
3. Accept the following donations:
 - \$ 75.00 from the Ayers family for athletic department in memory of Richard Ayers
 - \$ 80.00 from the Kleene family for athletic department in memory of Richard Ayers
 - \$ 125.00 from an anonymous donor for STEAM in memory of Jo Overmyer
 - \$ 325.21 from Farmers & Merchants State Bank for Student of the Quarter
 - \$ 500.00 from an anonymous donor for scholarship in memory of Noah Karacson
 - \$ 500.00 from the Weatherhead family for scholarship in memory of Francesca Weatherhead

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Craig Eiden moved and Minda Jones seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend to approve an addendum to the School Psychologist Employment Contract as attached.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Stephanie Mazur moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend issuing a three (3) year contract to Mike Altman as Middle School (4-8) Principal commencing August 1, 2021 and ending July 31, 2024.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Craig Eiden moved and Minda Jones seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend issuing a five (5) year contract to Jeff Slattery as High School (9-12) Principal commencing August 1, 2021 and ending July 31, 2026.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Galen Methvin moved and Minda Jones seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend to approve Madison Stockman as a certified substitute for the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Stephanie Mazur moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend to approve the following supplemental contract for the 2020-2021 school year.

Tonya Eiden – Co-Freshman Class Advisor

Roll call: Ayes – Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 4-0. Mr. Eiden Abstain.

Craig Eiden moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend to approve a service agreement with Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center (NwOESC) per Ohio Revised Code 3313.845. This agreement will begin on July 1, 2021, and shall terminate on June 30, 2022. The total projected cost is \$516,796.06.
- Recommend to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), by and between Hicksville Education Association (HEA) and Hicksville Exempted Village Board of Education.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Minda Jones moved and Stephanie Mazur seconded the motion to approve the following as stated.

- Recommend to approve the following new/revised Board of Education Bylaws/Policies:

0131.1 – Technical Corrections
 1422 – Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
 1623 – Section 504/504A Prohibition Against Disability
 Discrimination in Employment
 1662 – Anti-Harassment
 2240 – Controversial Issues
 2260 – Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational
 Opportunity
 2260.01 – Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination
 Based on Disability
 2266 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education
 Programs or Activities
 3122 – Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
 3123 – Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability
 Discrimination in Employment
 3362 – Anti-Harassment
 4122 – Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
 4123 – Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability
 Discrimination in Employment
 4362 – Anti-Harassment
 5517 – Anti-Harassment
 6114 – Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds
 6144 – Investments
 6220 – Budget Preparation
 6325 – Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
 6600 – Deposit of Public Funds: Cash Collection Points
 7440.01 – Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring
 7450 – Property Inventory
 7455 – Accounting System for Capital Assets
 8450.01 – Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic
 Events
 8500 – Food Services
 8510 - Wellness

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

The following were discussion items.

Mrs. Mazur asked about Growing God's Way (GGW) and their desire to create an instructional program. If the Board is to allow this Mr. Rick Straley, Chariman of GGW must understand that this must be an after-school program.

Mr. Eiden inquired if there are any Athletic Booster meetings coming up.... Mr. Slattery noted there weren't any scheduled at this time but will get some information out in order to schedule a meeting/s.

Mike Blue – Spoke about Mr. Countryman and the District's commitment to building positive relationships through communication thereby creating trust. He emphasized how he believes that there has been a lack of communication as of late and trust is being lost.

Dave Blue – Echoed Mr. Slattery’s comments about self-defense courses. Also echoed Mike Blue’s comments, says he’s never seen anything like this go on.

Mrs. Caryer – Noted that processes and procedures are being developed to improve communication. Secondly, personnel matters will not be discussed in a public session.....emphasizing that we will not be addressing employment issues in public.

Mrs. Caryer noted that the Board appreciates people coming to our meetings.

Minda Jones moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to hold an executive session at this meeting in order to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or issuing suspension, or termination of a license, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official licensee, or regulated individual unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mrs. Caryer further noted that the Board will return from executive session with no further business other than to adjourn.

The Board entered executive session at 6:10 p.m.
The Board exited executive session at 6:46 p.m.

Minda Jones moved and Galen Methvin seconded the motion to adjourn this meeting until the next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Roll call: Ayes – Craig Eiden, Minda Jones, Stephanie Mazur, Galen Methvin, and Jennifer Caryer. Motion Carried 5-0. Time 6:46 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer

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