

Board of Education

23033 Northline, Taylor, MI 48180 (734) 374-1200

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2020

1 OPENING ITEMS

- 1.01 The Meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M.
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag/Moment of Silence
- 1.03 Roll Call

Present: A. Block, V. Horth, P. Lakatos, J. McCoy, D. Meyers, D. Stellini

Absent: R. Miller

1.04 Approval of Agenda

Motion by P. Lakatos, Support: by A. Block, to approve the Agenda.

Roll Call:

Block - Yes

Horth - Yes

Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes

Meyers - Yes

Miller - Abs.

Stellini -Yes

Ayes: 6:

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

1.05 Approval of Minutes

Motion by A. Block, **Support:** by D. Meyers, to approve the Minutes for the meeting listed below: Special Board Meeting 12-7-20

Roll Call:

Block - Yes

Horth - Yes

Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes

Meyers - Yes

Miller - Abs

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6:

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

2 DISCUSSION ITEMS

1.02 Other NONE

3 ACTION ITEMS

3.01 Committee Reports

P. Lakatos explained that the Board Operations meeting that was to be held today at 5:00 pm was cancelled because it was posted wrong – it should have been a District Operations meeting. However, the Audit Presentation by Taylor & Morgan will be presented tonight.

3.02 District Operations/Audit Presentation-Taylor & Morgan

Motion: by P. Lakatos Support: by D. Meyers to accept the audit report of Taylor & Morgan for the Taylor School District for the School Year 2019-2020 as presented by Michael Mackenzie from Taylor & Morgan. The Board Members asked questions regarding the report and Mr. Mackenzie explained the reasons for the various graphs and made comparisons to other large school districts similar to Taylor School District.

Roll Call:

Block - Yes Horth - Yes

Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes Mevers - Yes

Miller – Abs.

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Carried: 6 - 0

3.03 Consolidated Items: Approval of Payments, Approval of Payments on Hold, Approval of Requisitions, Approval of Requisitions on Hold, Certified, Non-Certified and Administrative Personnel Reports

Motion: by D. Meyers **Support:** by A. Block to accept the Approval of Payments, Approval of Payments on Hold, Approval of Requisitions, Approval of Requisitions on Hold, Certified, Non-Certified and Administrative Personnel Reports

Roll Call:

Block - Yes

Horth - Yes

Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes

Meyers - Yes

Miller - Abs.

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Carried: 6 – 0

3.04 Advanced Authorization to Hire/Recall/Layoff

Motion: by P. Lakatos Support: by A. Block to give Human Resources the advanced authorization to Hire/Recall/Layoff personnel for vacant positions with names of the individuals being brought back to the Board of Education by being placed on the next Certified and Non-Certified Personnel Reports. The authorization is exclusive of director, coordinator and all other supervisory and administrative positions.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs.

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

3.05 Reinstatement of Student #12-3-2020-1

Motion: by P. Lakatos **Support:** by D. Meyers to take the recommendation of the Review Committee to conditionally reinstate student #12-3-2020-1

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs. Stellini – Yes

Ayes: 6

Navs: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

3.06 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Request to Hire-David Jones as Chief Financial Officer with a salary of \$110,000 prorated with a start date of December 14, 2020.

Motion: by P. Lakatos **Support:** by A. Block to approve the hiring of David Jones for the position of CFO with the salary of \$110,000. This will begin on December 14, 2020 and will be prorated.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs. Stellini – Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

- 3.07 Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Approval of the Contract for Executive Director of HR with a salary of \$110,000.
- **Motion:** by P. Lakatos **Support:** by A. Block to approve the contract of Executive Director of HR with the salary of \$110,000. This will begin on December 14, 2020 and will be pro-rated.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs. Stellini – Yes

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Carried: 6-0

3.08 Approval of Contract for Asst. Superintendent of COVID and Communication with a salary of \$111,300.

Superintendent Mills explained that this salary will be covered by COVID funds through the Cares Act Grant and that due to the increase of cases as well as when school returns to face to face, we anticipate the need will be greater.

Motion: by P. Lakatos **Support:** by D. Meyers to approve the contract for Asst. Superintendent of COVID and Communication with the salary of \$111,300. This will begin on December 14, 2020 and will continue through November 30, 2021.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs. Stellini – Yes

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Carried: 6 - 0

3.09 Other NONE

4 AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

4.01 Audience Participation

There were 2 audience participants this evening, C. Patts and K. Williamson.

They wanted to know if this was the last meeting of the year and D. Stellini indicated there will be another meeting on Monday, December 21st and that the current Board remains in office until the new Board members are sworn in on January 4th. If any issues arise, they will be addressed by the sitting Board.

It was also suggested that the Agenda be placed on the website to make it more accessible to the public.

There was also an inquiry about the availability for the PSAT testing and requested that the notices be sent to both Sophomores and Juniors so they both may be able to participate.

Motion: by P. Lakatos **Support:** by A. Block to close Audience Participation.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs.

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

5 CLOSED SESSION

5.01 Closed Session NONE

7 ADJOURNMENT

7.01 Closing Questions/Other

The Board members welcomed David Jones to the Taylor School District. It was also indicated that there is a new Interim IT person and that the job has been posted and will be filled when the right person is hired. The Fund Balance was discussed and that the current Board has been cautious and not spent recklessly. D. Stellini suggested that a fund balance policy be put in place and that the Board understand the philosophy of the Superintendent going forward. A. Block mentioned the Virtual Talent Show that was put on by very enthusiastic educators and in a regular brick and mortar building we could never have seen an equestrian compete.

Motion: by D. Meyers Support: by A. Block to close the Closing Questions/Other.

Roll Call:

Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes McCoy – Yes Meyers – Yes Miller – Abs. Stellini – Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

7.02 Adjournment

Motion: A. Block Support: D. Meyers to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Block – Yes Horth - Yes Lakatos - Yes

McCoy - Yes

Meyers - Yes

Miller - Abs.

Stellini - Yes

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Carried: 6 - 0

The Taylor School District Board of Education, Special Board Meeting for December 14, 2020 adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Amber McNew, Secretary