# PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION May 18, 2020

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools District 108 held a regular remote meeting Monday, May 18, 2020. President Mullis called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Board members answered roll call: Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Root, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Spanos.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**VISITORS** 

No one requested permission to address the Board of Education.

APPROVE AGENDA

**MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent.

ROLL CALL: "Yeas"; Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mr. Handegan,

Mr. Mullis, and Mr. Root Motion carried 7-0.

SUCCESS STORY:

A Team Effort to Provide Meals to Our Students and Families During times such as this we often have the opportunity to step up for the greater good. Beginning in March, with the assistance of Aramark and City of Pekin Bus staff, along with numerous volunteers, the district was able to provide over 7,000 meals *per week* to district families in need. Eighteen distribution sites were set up throughout the city and City of Pekin busing staff members manned buses which served as food distribution stations from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. every Monday through Friday. Sites such as Grace Methodist

Church, the Pekin Housing Authority, and the Schaeferville Fire Department were just some of the locations that served as distribution sites. We would like to acknowledge the monumental team effort of all those involved in this vital project making sure the underserved receive the basic necessity of meals. Thank you to all involved!

APPROVED TREASURER'S REPORT AND WARRANTS FOR MARCH 2020 AND APRIL 2020 **MOTION:** by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Root, to approve the Treasurer's Report and the warrants for March 2020 in the amount of \$2,852,716.34 of which \$1,809,222.55 was payroll and April 2020 in the amount of \$3,051,306.84 of which \$1,772,350.95 was payroll. **ROLL CALL:** "Yeas"; Mrs. Smith, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mr.

Handegan, and Mr. Mullis.

Motion carried 7-0.

**REPORTS** 

The following reports were presented:

- Looking Ahead to the Start of the 2020-2021 School Year (Dr. Bill Link, Superintendent and Mr. Leonard Ealey, Assistant Superintendent)
- Staffing Needs for the 2020-2021 School Year (Mr. Joe Franklin, Director of Human Resources)

**CONSENT AGENDA** 

**MOTION:** by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Handegan, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by the Superintendent consisting of three items.

ROLL CALL: "Yeas"; Mr. Root, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos,

Mrs. Cole, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 7-0.

1-Approve Minutes

Approved the minutes of the March 23, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

## 2-Accept Gifts

The Board of Education accepted the following gifts to the District:

• C.B. Smith Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of Wal-Mart vouchers in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Donors Choose Program for the purchase of books, school supplies, and materials for students. Brittainy Augspurger, C.B. Smith 1<sup>st</sup> Grade teacher was the recipient of this award.

#### 3-Personnel

The Board approved the following personnel recommendations:

### **Employ**

- o Employ Calene Marvin for the position of Literacy Leader for the 2020-2021 school year at an annual salary of \$66,221 + TRS.
- o Employ Abigail Potts for the position of Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at an annual salary of \$34,490 + TRS.
- Employ Laura Vernon for the position of Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at an annual salary of \$34,490 + TRS.
- Employ Sarah Lawson for the position of Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at an annual salary of \$37,594 + TRS.
- Employ Tammy Dozier for the position of Accounts Payable and Payroll Specialist at an annual salary of \$45,220 + IMRF effective May 19, 2020.
- o Employ Cori Schunk for the position of Special Education Teacher at an annual salary of \$37,594 + TRS.

#### Separate

- Accept the resignation of Angelique Laswell, School Secretary, effective June 5, 2020.
- o Accept the resignation of Anne Risen, Special Education Director, effective June 26, 2020.
- Accept the resignation of Sarah Williams, Special Education Teacher, effective the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
- o Accept the resignation of Phyllis Van Dyke, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
- o Accept the resignation of Ashley Wetherill, Teacher, effective the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Corliss Hansen, School Secretary, for retirement purposes, effective July 31, 2020.
- Approve a Revised Family Medical Leave of Absence for Cynthia Crandell, Teacher, for maternity purposes, effective February 20, 2020 through March 16, 2020 for a total of 18 days, using 18 paid sick leave days.

- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Abby Vaughan, Teacher, effective April 14, 2020 through April 24, 2020 for a total of 9 days, using 9 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Revised Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Bridget Heuermann, Special Education Teacher, effective March 27, 2020 through May 15, 2020 for a total of 30 days, using 30 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Angela Williams, Language Arts Teacher, effective August 19, 2020 through October 30, 2020 for a total of 51 days, using 19 paid sick leave days and 32 unpaid leave of absence days.

RENEW HEALTH &
DENTAL INSURANCE
CONTRACT WITH BLUE
CROSS BLUE SHIELD

**MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Root, to renew the District's health and dental insurance contract for FY21 with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois.

**ROLL CALL:** "Yeas"; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Cole, Mr. Handegan, and Mr. Mullis. Mr. Spanos abstained from this vote.

Motion carried 6-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

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# BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATES May 18, 2020

## Meeting with City of Pekin Regarding Busing Service in Fall of 2020

I recently attended a meeting with the City of Pekin City Manager, Bus Department management, and superintendents from other local Pekin districts utilizing the city's busing services. Although we do not know exactly what the start of school will look like at this moment, we felt it would be prudent to begin initial discussions regarding possible scenarios for in person/at school instruction and the role the Transportation Department will play in each this fall. The meeting was very productive and I am confident that the City of Pekin as a transportation provider is on board to assist us in any way possible, no matter what path we need to take.

I am very thankful that we have a strong relationship with the City of Pekin as a transportation service provider and share a genuine interest in supporting our students, staff, and schools.

## **Instructional Materials Purchase Timeline**

Assistant Superintendent Leonard Ealey will provide a brief verbal update related to the timeline for the purchase of instructional materials as per recent work completed by the CIA Committee.

#### **June Reports**

- End of Fiscal Year 2020 Report
- Start of the 2020-2021 School Year Update
- Other TBD

## **Tentative June Items for Action**

- School Board Reorganization
- Renew Food Service Contract
- Renew Health Services Contract
- Set Prevailing Wages
- Set District Fees and Substitute Rates for 2020-2021
- Declare Surplus Property

# BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS May 18, 2020

May 18 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.

May 22 (Friday) Last Day of Remote Learning Activities

May 25 (Monday) Memorial Day Holiday

May 26 (Tuesday) Remote Planning Day

Publication of BJHS & EJHS Pre-recorded 8th

Grade Recognition Ceremony

May 27 (Wednesday) Remote Planning Day-End of School Year

June 22 (Monday) Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

**MOTION:** by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Handegan, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. **ROLL CALL:** "Yeas"; Mr. Root, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

MARIA GALVIN, Board Secretary

CHRIS MULLIS, PRESIDENT, BOARD OF EDUCATION