

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2020

7:30 p.m. JH Library and Google Meets

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.

President Chad Ruppert called the regular board meeting to order and roll call was taken with seven board members present. Board members present were Janssen, Ruppert, Eisenbarth, Bauman, Fesser, Tarter, and Gasparich. Also present were Superintendent Doerr, Principal McDowell, Assistant Principal McDonald, and Principal Reedy.

Guests present included Bonnie Brownback, Tim Miller, Tara Follis, Dan DeWerff, Bruce Gunn and Ellen Christner. Also Randy Rieke was present via Google Meets.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE BOARD MEETING AGENDA FOR JULY 14, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Janssen seconded by Eisenbarth to approve the Board Meeting Agenda for July 14, 2020 as presented. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Tim Miller spoke to the Board regarding the HS Varsity Baseball coaching position and his recommendation to bring Coach Pesko back for that position.

Mr. Dan DeWerff spoke to the Board regarding the HS JV Boys Basketball coaching position and his recommendation to bring Coach Pesko back for that position.

The Consent Agenda included the regular and closed minutes, amended budget public hearing minutes for July 14, 2020 bills, payroll, and Treasurer's Report for approval. Also included was approval of June 30, 2020 Activity Accounts for North Elementary and Nokomis Jr/Sr High School.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE JULY 14, 2020 CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Eisenbarth, seconded by Gasparich to approve the July 14, 2020 Consent Agenda as presented.

Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA. Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Supt. Doerr informed the Board that we have been notified by ISBE that our EBF (State Aid) will be exactly the same as it was last year. Also, our PreK grants have been reduced by 5% for now. We are still waiting on ISBE to upload all other grants into the system. We did receive our 3rd quarter mandated categorical payments before June 30, so we have 3 in the bank plus one from the previous year. Our monthly spreadsheet indicates that the State owes us less than \$100,000 for FY 20, which includes 2 payments for private special education services, 2 payments for Driver's Education, one payment each for Transportation and Special Education Transportation, 1 payment for Ag funding, and 2 payments for Early Childhood (3-5 program). All other grants or categoricals have been paid on time. The grants that we were not fully spent last year will be rolled over to FY 21, which was intended.

Summer Project Updates:

- a. HS Parking Lot – Completed

- b. North School Parking Lot – 95% completed.
- c. North School drywall and painting – expected to be completed July 10
- d. South School – 30% completed, but they have not started the brick work at the HS.
- e. Fire Shutters – 25% completed – still waiting on shutters to arrive.
- f. Roof Top Ladder – ordered, waiting on delivery.
- g. New Phone System – lines are run; installation should be completed by July 24
- h. HS Fire Pull Stations – Completed
- i. HS Door Replacement – Waiting on delivery
- j. Lastly, we had some money left over from the CARES Act, so I asked Wareham's for a quote to update all of our cameras at the HS, add a few cameras, and update our DVD and the whole system.

Dr. Doerr informed the Board that the District has been awarded a grant from the Montgomery County 708 Board in the amount of \$35,000 to support counselor salaries for the upcoming school year.

Dr. Doerr informed the Policy Committee that a meeting will be held in August to update the Policy Manual in regards to changes in the law and other regulations.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

AD McDonald provided an update on the IESA and IHSA guidance rules. Since last week they have changed numerous times with the most recent decision by the IHSA to leave everything up to the Governor's office and IDPH. At this time, coaches have decided to halt all conditioning practices due to the restrictions.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Doerr presented the results of the parent/community survey to the Board.

I MOVE TO ALTER THE JH PROMOTION CEREMONY TO AWARDS DAY STARTING WITH THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Fesser, seconded by Eisenbarth to alter the JH Promotion Ceremony to Awards Day starting with the 2020-2021 school year.

Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – NAY, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – NAY, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – NAY. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE INTER-FUND TRANSFER FROM SITE IMPROVEMENT FUND TO THE BOND AND INTEREST FUND.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Fesser to approve the Resolution for the Inter-Fund transfer from Site Improvement Fund to the Bond and Interest Fund.

Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR THE LUNCH PROGRAM FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Gasparich, seconded by Tarter to approve the Agreement with St. Louis Catholic School for the lunch program for the 2020-2021 school year.

Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES FOR SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING FROM 07/01/2020 TO 06/30/2023.

Motion by Tarter seconded by Janssen to approve the Lease Agreement with Special Education Services for South Middle School building from 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2023.

Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO APPROVE THE AMENDED FY21 CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Fesser to approve the Amended FY21 Calendar as presented. Motion passed by voice vote

Dr. Doerr gave the Board a presentation on the Nokomis Reopening Plan for the 2020-2021 school year. A group of 12 teachers, administrators, and support staff met twice over the past 2 weeks to start working on our REOPEN PLAN. The big take-away with these conversations was how to minimize JH and HS students in the hallway so frequently. The presentation covered health & safety, instruction, transportation, facilities management, and communication. The 32 page document will be shared with staff this week. In addition, the PowerPoint will be presented to the public once the Plan evolves. Afterwards, another committee meeting will be held to develop a final draft to release to the public in the next few weeks. The plan calls for in-person learning to take place starting on August 18 with options for a blended mote and remote learning if the State moves us back to any of the Restore Illinois phases. A remote plan has been created also with coincides with in-person learning for those that have medical issues. Dr. Doerr noted that these guidelines in the PLAN are derived from ISBE, IDPH, and CDC and are subject to change daily. The PLAN is fluid and may change accordingly.

I MOVE TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:47 P.M.

Motion by Janssen, seconded by Tarter to enter into closed session at 8:47 p.m. for the purpose of gathering evidence for fan disciplinary hearing, employment, evaluations, compensation, appointment and discipline of personnel and litigation.

Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION AT 9:12 P.M.

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Janssen to re-enter regular session from closed session at 9:12p.m. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS OF ANNA SAKACH AND STEPHANIE STEPHENS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Fesser to accept the resignations of Anna Sakach and Stephanie Stephens effective immediately. Motion passed by voice vote.

I MOVE TO EMPLOY LEE HARRISON (JH SCIENCE & FRESHMAN CLASS SPONSOR), DONOVAN RILEY (JH/HS PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HS VARSITY BASEBALL COACH, AND JH BOYS BASKETBALL COACH), AND TAMARA MASHAW (SPECIAL EDUCATION) FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Eisenbarth seconded by Janssen to employ Lee Harrison (JH Science & Freshman Class Sponsor), Donovan Riley (JH/HS Physical Education, HS Varsity Baseball Coach, and JH Boys Basketball Coach), and Tamara Mashaw (Special Education) for the 2020-2021 school year.

Gasparich – ABSTAIN, Janssen – YEA, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – YEA, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO EMPLOY BRIAN PESKO AS THE HS BOYS JV BASKETBALL COACH FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR PENDING THE SEASON OCCURS AT THE CONTRACTUAL COACHING SCHEDULE.

Motion by Tarter seconded by Fesser to employ Brian Pesko as the HS Boys JV Basketball Coach for the 2020-2021 school year pending season at contractual coaching schedule.

Janssen – NAY, Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – NAY, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – ABSTAIN. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO EMPLOY DYLAN PERKINS AS THE JH BOYS ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Tarter to employ Dylan Perkins as the JH Boys Assistant Basketball Coach for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ruppert – YEA, Eisenbarth – YEA, Bauman – NAY, Fesser – YEA, Tarter – YEA, Gasparich – YEA, Janssen – YEA. Motion passed.

I MOVE TO ADJOURN

Motion by Gasparich seconded by Eisenbarth to adjourn. Motion passed by voice vote.

Chad Ruppert, President

Denny Bauman, Secretary