Board of Education

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Oak Grove School 6018 W. Lancaster Rd. Bartonville, IL 61607 September 23, 2020 Immediately Following Public Hearing

- 1. Mr. Bender led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Mr. Bender called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
- 1. Roll call: Those present at the meeting were Mr. Bender, Mrs. Quine, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Lindsay, Mr. Heuermann, Mr. Fehl, and Mr. Strausbaugh. Dr. Baele, Mrs. Almasi, and Mrs. Martin were also in attendance.
- 3. Communications / Presentations None
- 4. Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the August 19th Regular Meeting, the August Financial Reports, and the August Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fehl and carried with all aye votes.

5. September Bills

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the September bills, including Peoria Metro final pay application #13, River City Design Group final invoice #12, Peoria Metro final pay application #3, and River City Design Group final design fee #4, an Imprest transfer of \$1038.30, and any bills that come due by September 30,2020, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion carried with all aye votes with Mrs. Lindsay abstaining.

- 6. Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items None
- 7. Superintendent Report Dr. Baele presented the current enrollment of the district at 264 students with 5 students being served out of district. Dr. Baele provided an update the receipt of the first installment of the Alliance for Water Efficiency Grant in the amount of \$3500. Dr. Baele also informed the BOE about the response to positive cases at Oak Grove School and the actions taken. The IESA updated sports and activities calendars were presented with a small discussion about participation took place. Upcoming dates were presented and the next BOE meeting is set for October 28th.
- 8. Principal Report Mrs. Almasi had no student discipline to report to the Board. Mrs. Almasi shared that a Teacher Institute day was held on 9/4 for our staff focusing on instructional practices, with the SPOT coffee provided to the staff. Mrs. Almasi also told the Board that she has been delivering daily video announcements to our learners and requests that others produce the Pledge of Allegiance videos for her to use in the mornings. Students participated in the Fall benchmarking with remote learners being allowed to come and take assessments right outside of the school. Mrs. Almasi was grateful for the PTO's support and informed the BOE that they are conducting a spirit wear order through September 30. Softball and Baseball seasons are complete, and Mrs. Almasi congratulated the teams on persevering through the strange seasons. Student Council is beginning with election day on October 6th. School pictures are complete for all and September 18th was the first remote learning planning day used this year.

- 9. Old Business Discussion Items
 - a. Mr. Bender presented the second reading of Board Policy Press Packet #104 and #105, reminding Board members to log-in to their IASB membership portal to review the packets. Approval will be presented at the October meeting.
- 10. Old Business Action Item
 - a. 2020-2021 Student Handbook
 - **ACTION:** Mrs. Lindsay made the motion to adopt the 2020-21 Student Handbook changes as presented, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried with all aye votes. Discussion centered on specific changes related to additional and stricken sections regarding COVID 19 and changes in school practices for this year.
 - b. 2020-2021 School Calendar
 - **ACTION:** Mr. Fehl made the motion to adopt the 2020-21 School Calendar changes as presented, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. Motion carried with all aye votes. Discussion centered on specific changes related to the use of SIP and remote learning planning days based on the ISBE calendar application which caused this change.
 - c. First Student 2020-23 Bus Contract
 - **ACTION:** Mrs. Quine made the motion to approve the 2020-23 bus contract with First Student for bussing services as per the contract start / effective date, seconded by Mr. Taylor. Motion carried with all aye votes.
- 11. New Business Discussion Item
 - a. ROE HLS Inspection Dr. Baele presented the checklist of items identified as deficient on the latest Health Life Safety walkthrough at Oak Grove School. The district has submitted the required corrective action responses to the Regional Office of Education.
 - b. 9 Week Transition Plan Mr. Bender requested a time to discuss the planning and implementation of the 9-week transition plan for Oak Grove. Board members provided positive comments on the initiation of the plan but would like to see some improvement with instruction of students, especially remote students. There was also great discussion on continuity of instruction for both remote and in-person learners and suggestions on how to improve remote learning for those that may choose to stay remote in the 2nd 9 weeks. Mrs. Almasi will put out a survey for making the switch and the administration will coordinate efforts the week of October 5th to meet with teachers and finalize the 2nd 9-week plan.
- 12. New Business Action Item
 - a. 2020-2021 Consolidated District Plan
 - **ACTION:** Mr. Heuermann made the motion to adopt the 2020-21 Consolidated District Plan, seconded by Mrs. Lindsay. The motion carried with all aye votes.
 - b. 2020-21 Budget
 - **ACTION**: Mrs. Quine made the motion to approve the budget for the 2020-21 school year, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion carried with all aye votes.
 - c. Permanent Transfer

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the permanent transfer of \$95,000 from the Education Fund (10) to the Bond & Interest Fund(30) to support the partial payment of this year's alternative revenue bond payment (\$20,000) and to reserve the principal payment for the 2027-28 alternative revenue principal payment (\$75,000). The motion was seconded by Mr. Fehl and carried with all aye votes.

13. Closed Session

ACTION: Mrs. Lindsay made the motion at 7:11 pm to enter into closed session to discuss student discipline, litigation, and personnel matters, seconded by Mr. Taylor. The motion passed with all aye votes.

14. Return to Open Session

ACTION: Mr. Strausbaugh made the motion at 7:56 pm to return to open session, seconded by Mr. Taylor. The motion passed with all in favor.

- 15. Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business None
- 16. Presentation from Board Members on Non-Agenda Business None.
- 17. Motion for Adjournment

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Matthew Bender - Board President

Jennifer Lindsay - Board Secretary

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