

Board of Education
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Oak Grove School
6018 W. Lancaster Rd.
Bartonville, IL 61607
March 18, 2020 – 6 pm

1. Mr. Bender led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mr. Bender, Board President.
3. Roll Call: Those present at the meeting were Mr. Bender, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Fehl, Mrs. Quine, Mr. Strausbaugh, Mr. Heuermann and Mrs. Lindsay. Dr. Baele was also in attendance.
4. Communications / Presentations
 - a. None
5. Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mrs. Lindsay made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the February 26th Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes, the February Financial Report, the February Treasurer's Reports. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Quine and carried with all in favor.

6. March Bills – Design Fee #6 – Pay Application #6

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the March bills and any other bills needed to be paid prior to March 31, 2020 as well as Design Fee #6 to River City Design Group, and Pay Application #6 to Peoria Metro, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion carried with all aye votes with Mrs. Lindsay abstaining.

7. Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items - None
8. Superintendent Report – Dr. Baele informed the Board about the Governor's directive associated with COVID 19 school closures and the initial planning on who will be considered essential employees and how the days associated with the closure will be applied. He also presented information to the BOE about the quarterly meeting of the Central Illinois Educator's health insurance consortium and discussions with Blue Cross Blue Shield. Finally, the extended days out of school were outlined and clarification was provided on what "Act Of God" days were and how they impacted the 2019-2020 school calendar.
9. Principal Report – Ms. Baughman provided information on 3 out-of-school suspensions for Board review. She also informed the Board that the Oak Grove Student Council raised \$2,525.86 for Easter Seals and Dr. Baele was taped to the wall. 203 out of 258 students received the behavior reward for the 3rd quarter which was a STEM and Technology day with snacks. Ms. Baughman provided a shout-out to the staff for their efforts on setting up e-learning and providing learning opportunities for our students.
10. Old Business – Discussion Items
 - a. Dr. Baele gave a brief update on the construction progress so far and the anticipated acceleration of construction completion due to construction workers being considered essential. With students being away, the schedule was moved up one week. A schedule and minutes from the meeting between Dr. Baele, RCDG, KED, and Peoria Metro were also provided.

11. Old Business – Action Item

- a. None

12. New Business – Discussion Item

- a. First Student Discussion – Dr. Baele presented communication from First Student requesting continued payment for transportation services during COVID 19 days that students are not present. The BOE expressed concern about the expenditure when there was no service being provided. Members were sympathetic to drivers and lost pay but were unclear as to how this would be the continued responsibility of the school district. Also, drivers would be eligible for unemployment. Dr. Baele informed the Board that additional discussions would be had and that he would report on the status at the next Board meeting.

13. New Business – Action Item

- a. Board Policy 3.45 – Mr. Bender presented Board Policy 3.45 – Emergency Powers of the Superintendent, in the event that the Board of Education could not meet as a quorum, the Superintendent or the Board President became ill or died to unforeseen catastrophe.

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion, seconded by Mr. Fehl to waive the first and second readings as well as approve Board Policy 3.45 entitled Emergency Powers of the Superintendent. Motion carried with all aye votes.

14. Closed Session

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made motion to enter into closed session at 6:37 pm, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. Motion carried with all aye votes.

15. Open Session

ACTION: Mrs. Quine made motion to enter into open session at 7:08 pm, seconded by Mr. Fehl. Motion carried with all aye votes.

16. Action from Closed Session

- a. None

17. Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business – None

18. Presentation from Board Members / Administration on Non-Agenda Business – None

19. Motion for Adjournment

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to adjourn at 7:13 pm, seconded by Mr. Heuermann. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.



Matthew Bender – Board President



Jennifer Lindsay – Board Secretary