MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #230

Held in the Dwight Township High School Cafeteria On September 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Board President Tim Henson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Kevin Berta; Tim Henson; Susan Legner; Joel Sandeno; Eric Scheuer; Max

Sulzberger; Paul Warner

ABSENT: None

Also in attendance: Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent; Deb Conroy, Secretary; Andy

Pittenger, Principal

PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Scheuer, seconded by Sandeno, to open a public hearing on the 2021-22 budget. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Berta asked about the balance in the Transportation fund and Henson asked about the balance in the Ed Fund. Warner inquired about the Student Activity funds, whether those would eventually come down to a zero balance. Dr. Jancek replied that they would come down in balance but we will always have some Activity funds. The target was to use up the large balances and then the district would fund most activities instead of public fundraising. There was no public comment on the proposed budget.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Berta, to close the public hearing. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Pittenger's report stands as read. He also announced that Homecoming will be Friday, October 8th. Parade and Trojan games will be on the 7th as the 8th is a non-attendance day. The dance will be held on Saturday, the 9th.

Ms. Ferguson's report stands as read.

Dr. Jancek presented dates for the FCCLA to attend conferences this year. Rachel Heath holds a state office and she will need to be in attendance at all of these meetings, along with Mrs. Fritchtnitch.

Dr. Jancek reported that he held a meeting with representatives from the DEA and Nurse Erica Sandeno to discuss the Governor's mandate for vaccinations or mandated testing for employees. He noted that currently we have 75 employees that would need to be tested weekly. The Governor has stayed the order for an additional 2 weeks and at this time mandated testing won't start until September 24th. Dr. Jancek noted that we have very few test kits and they will not cover even one week. He is trying his best to get test kits and to make this issue as smooth as possible for all involved.

Dr. Jancek reported that we have been having issues with the Cooling Tower again. Jack Connor is trying to get parts and repairs done; however, during this time, he is finding difficulty in getting both.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Dr. Jancek reported that the state owes the district \$5,652.00 in late mandated categorical payments for the 20-21 school year and \$32,365.98 for the 2021-22 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items for consideration on this month's Consent Agenda are as follows:

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Sandeno, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dr. Jancek asked for final approval of the proposed 2021-22 Budget.

Moved by Berta, seconded by Warner, to approve the 2021-22 Budget, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Jancek presented the E-Learning Plan for Board approval. This plan allows the school to use e-learning on emergency days instead of having to make up a day at the end of the school year. This plan will remain in place for 3 years if approved.

Moved by Berta, seconded by Warner, to approve the E-Learning Plan, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek announced that we will need to affirm the Technology Infrastructure Project instead of approve. Work has begun on this project already. This is the same project that was approved last year that was tied to e-rate funding. The funding was pushed back last year due to COVID. Now the project can move forward. This is a network overhaul/upgrade consisting of switches, cabling and wireless access points.

Moved by Sandeno, seconded by Scheuer, to affirm the Technology Infrastructure Project (reimbursed 60% by e-rate), as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report for 2020-21 for approval.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Sandeno, to approve the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report for 2020-21, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Sandeno, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #230