

Unofficial Minutes

March 7th, 2022

Regular Meeting

In-Person

Wabaunsee Junior High School

6:00 PM

Board President Callie Meinhardt called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Board members Don Frank, Tony Conrad, Jerome Hess, Callie Meinhardt, Kelly Oliver and Jim Vopata were present. Board member Justin Frank arrived at 6:01pm.

There were additions to the agenda which included: Personnel: Approve Employment – Sarah Eckstein as the Mental Health Liaison for the 2022-2023 school year. Jim Vopata moved to approve the agenda with additions. Kelly Oliver seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Written reports were submitted by the Principals, Technology Director Josh Nisly, Transportation Director Clint Thompson and Food Service Supervisor Deb Westhoff.

Board member Kelly Oliver moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included: approve minutes from the February 14th, 2022 regular meeting; approve payment of bills; accept donation of WHS football field/track press box materials and labor from BHS construction; approve softball fundraiser. Motion to Consent Agenda. Tony Conrad seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Old and New Business: Rural Housing Incentive District - the board has decided they do not need to have a resolution voting against establishing a RHID. Mr. Starnes gave a COVID update - the numbers have slowed down and the district is still testing for those that would like to get tested. The board discussed the bond for the district – Jerome made a motion for a November Bond election one location school district in Alma. Don Frank seconded. Motion carried 5-2. Board members Jim Vopata and Tony Conrad voted no.

Justin Frank moved to approve Construction Manager at Risk contract with BHS. Callie Meinhardt seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Justin Frank moved to sell Paxico Middle School at an asking price of \$125,000 and sold to no one who's in direct educational competition of USD 329. Jerome Hess seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Mr. Starnes communicated to the Board the Negotiations Letter must be exchanged with the Wabaunsee Education Association prior to March 31st. The letter contains the usual negotiated items including: hours and amount of work, salary-including supplementals and benefits-health insurance.

Board member Tony Conrad moved to add to the regular agenda – grounds fertilizer and grub control. Justin Frank seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Tony Conrad moved to approve Dustin Sievers for grounds fertilizer and grub control. Jim Vopata seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Board member Don Frank moved to approve employment, accept resignations/retirement, approve transfer of duties. These included: Employment: extend principal Jan Hutley's contract, extend principal Steve Oliver's contract and extend Kari Kephart's contract. Resignations: David Amer-District Mental Health Liaison/WHS Spanish Teacher and Brooke Janssen-AES 5th Grade Teacher. Kelly Oliver seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Superintendent/ Board member's Forum - Mr. Starnes informed the board members that Maple Hill Elementary School will be presented the KSDE Challenge Award on April 5th at 2:00pm. Board member Justin Frank shared an update on the High School cleanliness, he has noticed both gym floors have been getting cleaned and looking better.

Board member Don Frank moved to adjourn. Justin Frank seconded. Motion carried 7-0. The open meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

Board Clerk
Michelle Gehrt