

Board of Education
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Oak Grove School
6018 W. Lancaster Rd.
Bartonville, IL 61607
July 27, 2022 – 6 pm

1. Mr. Bender led the Pledge of Allegiance
2. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
3. Roll Call: Members present included Mr. Taylor, Mr. Miller, Mr. Heuermann, Mr. Strausbaugh, and Mr. Bender with Mrs. Quine and Mr. Fehl being absent. Also present were Mrs. Almasi, Mr. Bishop, and Dr. Baele. Those in the audience included Tammy Miller, Amber Fisher, Kim Gossett, and Mindy Gossett.
4. Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business – The Board moved the presentation of non-agenda business to the front of the meeting to accommodate public comments from Amber Fisher and Tammy Miller. Each thanked the Board of Education for not universally adopting the Illinois Learning Standards for Comprehensive Personal Health and Safety and Sexual Health Education.
5. Communications / Presentations - None
6. Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mr. Strausbaugh made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the June 22nd Public Hearing and June 22nd Regular Meeting, the June Financial Report, June Treasurer's Report and Board Policies within Press Packet #109. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heuermann and carried with all in favor.

7. July Bills

ACTION: Mr. Heuermann made the motion to approve the July bills, including pay application #5 from Bishop Brothers, Inc in the amount of \$66,231.45 for the outbuilding project, as well as pay application #2 in the amount of \$46,298.69 for the restroom project, design invoice #5 from RCDG for the outbuilding project in the amount of \$2180, as well as design invoice #2 in the amount of \$1960 for the restroom project, seconded by Mr. Miller. The motion carried with all aye votes.

8. Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items - None
9. Superintendent Report – Dr. Baele stated that new enrollment numbers would be provided the Board of Education at the August meeting. He also gave the BOE an update on the SMPG restroom project with a projected completion date of August 12, 2022. Delays include the restroom fan, the existing will be used until the new one arrives, and temporary lights will be installed until the new lights come in. Dr. Baele thanked Don and Jenny Reay; Michelle, Brock, and Brody Fehl; Dimitri, Anthony, and Natalie Almasi; as well as Myra Tripp and the Board members for their efforts on community workday on July 16th. An update on the outbuilding was provided including

issues with the septic permit being delayed. There are many items to complete on the list. The financial audit of the district will take place on August 15, 2022 for fiscal year 2021-22. Oak Grove was awarded over \$22,000 from the Department of Education Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) that will be used to create a hands-on work area in the outbuilding for projects and career education exploration. Upcoming district dates were shared with the Board.

10. Director Report - Mrs. Almasi shared an update from the ELA curriculum pilot and the status of the new math curriculum going into the beginning of the school year. Second Step is being implemented as the new SEL curriculum this year, and teachers will go back to using IXL as an instructional support following training on effective use. An update on PD goals was provided as well as status on IAR reports which were delayed by the state and Mrs. Almasi looks forward to going over MAP data with teachers to start the year.
11. Principal Report - Mr. Bishop reported on the second year of the Summer Jumpstart program and thanked Dr. Baele, Mrs. Almasi and the BoE for their support. Mr. Bishop also welcomed the new staff to Oak Grove and highlighted the New Teacher Orientation event on 8/12. Finally, he discussed the summer being a time of reflection and how we as educators get to experience two New Year's celebrations. He also expressed his excitement for the start of a new year.

12. Old Business – Discussion Items

- a. 2022-23 Return to School Plan – The Board of Education was provided a time to discuss changes or issues associated with the Return to School plan. There was no discussion and the review of the 6-month ARP use of funds was completed.
- b. Out of District Tuition – Mr. Bender led a discussion on the application for out of district tuition for students outside district boundaries. Due to declining and stagnant enrollment, the Oak Grove School District will seek a waiver to allow reduced tuition acceptance for students of other districts. Potential issues were brought up by members as to the application process, the selection, and potential liabilities that the district may incur due to implementation of such a waiver. The Board will seek public comment prior to the next Board of Education meeting.
- c. Strategic Planning Exercise 1 – Dr. Baele provided a link to a survey for Board members to complete regarding the values that each member and administrator feel are most important at Oak Grove. Dr. Baele will compile the results and present the results at the next Board of Education meeting.

13. Old Business – Action Items

- a. Art / Special Education Job Description

ACTION: Mr. Miller made the motion to approve the job description for the Art / Special Education teacher job description at Oak Grove School, seconded by Mr. Taylor. The motion passed with all aye votes.

- b. Behavioral Threat Assessment - Plan & Procedures

ACTION: Mr. Miller made motion to approve the threat assessment team as well as the procedures and plans to be used to assess potential threats at Oak Grove School. Motion was seconded by Mr. Taylor. All were in favor and the motion passed.

c. ARP Amendment – Use of Funds

ACTION: Mr. Strausbaugh made motion to approve amendment 1 to the American Rescue Plan to reflect the financial plan and use of funds within Oak Grove School District 68. Motion was seconded by Mr. Heuermann. The motion passed with all in favor.

14. New Business – Discussion Item(s)

a. None

15. New Business – Action Item

a. Consolidated District Plan

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the 2022-23 Consolidated District Plan, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion passed with all aye votes.

b. Employment – K – 8 Music

ACTION: Mr. Heuermann made the motion to approve the employment of Abigail Lindsay as the K-8 Music teacher starting January 4, 2023 through the completion of the school year at a salary of \$19,922.26, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion passed with all aye votes.

c. Employment – Art / Special Education

ACTION: Mr. Miller made the motion to approve the employment of Lisa Anderson as the Oak Grove Art / Special Education teacher starting January 4, 2023, through the completion of the school year at a salary of \$19,922.26, seconded by Mr. Taylor. The motion passed with all aye votes.

d. Employment – Assistant Softball

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to approve the employment of Brian Dean as the Oak Grove Assistant Softball Coach contingent upon proper certification and district completed background check, seconded by Mr. Strausbaugh. The motion passed with all aye votes.

e. OG Cares 22-23 Fee Structure


ACTION: Mr. Heuermann made the motion to approve the 2022-23 OG Cares rates for before and after care, seconded by Mr. Miller. The motion passed with all aye votes.

16. Closed Session - None

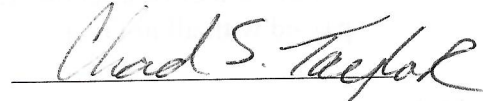
17. Presentation from Board Members / Administration on Non-Agenda Business – None

18. Motion for Adjournment

ACTION: Mr. Taylor made the motion to adjourn at 6:42 pm, seconded by Mr. Miller. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.



Matthew Bender – Board President



Chad Taylor – Board Secretary