# Pine River Area Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes June 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the Pine River Area Schools Board of Education was held Monday, June 8, 2020, at the Pine River Middle/High School Media Center.

#### I. ROLL CALL

President Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members Present: 7-Mrs. Merrylie Cameron (remotely), Mrs. Kim Dean, Mr. Kevin Delancey, Mrs. Katy Draper, Mr. Terry Koetje, Mr. Jim Peterson, and Mr. Tom Shook.

Members Absent: None

Administrators/Directors Present: Matthew Lukshaitis

Directors Absent: Mrs. Emily Adema, Mrs. Heidi Hayes, Mrs. Josie Hill, Mr. Brent Ruppert, Mr. Robert Sibary

# II. APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Motion by Mrs. Dean, seconded by Mr. Delaney to approve the agenda as presented. *Ayes 7, Nays – 0, Motion carried* 

#### III. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the community were in attendance at this meeting

#### IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Lukshaitis presented updates on budgets and potential cuts for the 19-20 and/or 20-21 school years. Currently preparing for a possible \$600 per pupil funding cut. Also announced a pole building is being constructed between the baseball field and track-completely funded by Pine River Boosters and Buck Pride Group. Plans of usage include storage and housing the football teams during half time of home games.

# V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Peterson discussed an article in the local paper about teachers expressing interest in leaving education since the pandemic. Also discussed budget cuts in increments of staffing wages as a perspective of how budget cuts impact public schools. Also announced that MASB's Annual Leadership Conference will be 100% virtual this year.

# VI. PRINCIPALS/DIRECTORS/STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE UPDATES:

Principals and directors were excused from tonight's meeting. Reports were submitted electronically and included in BoardBook.

# VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Koetje, seconded by Mr. Draper, to approved the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes 7, Nays – 0, Motion carried

# VIII. OLD BUSINESS-Second reading/approval of WMISD 2020-2021 Proposed Budget

Motion by Mrs. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Delancey, to approve the WMISD proposed budget for 2020-2021.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Personnel-Retirements
- 1. Motion by Mr. Shook, seconded by Mrs. Dean to approve the retirement of Dan Gussert, Middle School Teacher, and School Improvement Team Member, effective June 5, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

2. Motion by Mr. Shook, seconded by Mrs. Dean to approve the retirement of Mrs. Janet Wenger, Fourth Grade Teacher, effective June 8, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

3. Motion by Mr. Shook, seconded by Mrs. Dean to approve the retirement of Mr. Tim Jones, Industrial Arts Teacher and Varsity Wrestling Coach, effective June 5, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

#### B. Personnel-Resignations

1. Motion by Mrs. Draper, seconded by Mrs. Cameron to approve the immediate resignation of Ms. Kristina Holmes, HS Cashier, effective May 14, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

2. Motion by Mrs. Draper, seconded by Mrs. Cameron to approve the resignation of Matt Johnson, MS/HS Social Studies Teacher, STEM/Lego Robotics Advisor and Marching Band Assistant, effective June 5, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

3. Motion by Mrs. Draper, seconded by Mrs. Cameron to approve the resignation of Walter Byington, English/Social Studies Teacher, effective June 5, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

C. MHSAA Membership for SY 2020-2021 Motion by Mrs. Dean, seconded by Mr. Koetje, to approve the resolution for MHSAA Membership for the 2020-2021 school year as recommended by the Athletic Director and the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

D. School Choice Openings for SY 2020-2021 Motion by Mr. Koetje, seconded by Mr. Delancey, to approve unlimited school of choice openings for the 2020-2021 school year as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

E. Re-Opening of School Buildings for Staff and Students
Motion by Mrs. Draper, seconded by Mrs. Dean to approve re-opening school
buildings to staff and students on a limited basis and under the guidance of the
Governor's executive orders for the purpose of conducting summer school (credit
recovery) beginning June 8, 2020, resuming athletics on June 15, 2020, and other
school-related functions as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ayes 7, Nays-0, Motion carried

#### X. OTHER

No other business was discussed

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**: President Peterson adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m. after Mr. Shook motioned for adjournment.

# **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify the attached is a true copy of the proposed minutes of a Regular Meeting held on the 8th day of June, 2020, and that said proposed minutes have been approved and made available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 15th day of June, 2020.

Secretary, Board of Education