

Minutes of the School Board Meeting
School District of Shullsburg
January 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice President, Jacinda Gunnell.

Open Meeting Law

Nathan Russell read the notice of the meeting in compliance with Open Meeting Law and Statutory Notices.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Chad Teasdale, Lee Gill, Lauren Ray, Jacinda Gunnell, Melanie Andrews, Nathan Russell

Administration Present: District Administrator, Mark Lierman and Principal, Dana Bendorf

Eugene Uehling arrived at 6:39pm.

Legal Meeting

Motion by C. Teasdale, seconded by N. Russell to declare the meeting a legal meeting. All voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Public Present

Kayla Barnes, Tammy Woodworth, Julie Witmer, Lisa Morrissey, Nicole Tyson, Luke Tyson, Susan Morhardt and Deb Blackburn.

Positive News for the Shullsburg School District

Mr. Lierman presented some positive news happening in the school district. Homework club – NHS and Student Council students help elementary students after school. Curiosity Box – All students and staff are encouraged to submit questions by placing them in the box. Science students investigate to find the answers and provide a reply.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Approval of Minutes from the regular board meeting on December 11, 2019

C. Approval of Payment and Payroll Vouchers

Monthly payroll checks #44097 through #44114 and direct deposits #14220 through #14322. The gross payroll total for December/January is \$181,406.37. Invoices approved by the Board: checks #25213 through #25268 and wire transfers #449 through #494 for a total of \$152,093.34. Total checks written for the month of January 2020 of \$360,313.71.

D. Approval of Cancelling the January 22, 2020 regular school board meeting due to State Education Convention

E. Approval of Scheduling a Special Board meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 6:30pm.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by M. Andrews to amend the consent agenda to move agenda item 9B to item 12. All voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Ray to approve the agenda, meeting minutes from 12/11/19, payment of payroll & vouchers and cancelling the 1/22/2020 regular school board meeting due to state education convention and approval of scheduling a special board meeting to be held on 1/29/2020. All voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Business

Consideration of and Action on Short Term Borrowing Not to Exceed \$250,000 on January 10, 2020

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Gill to approve short term borrowing not to exceed \$250,000 on January 10, 2020. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on Establishing Board Limits for Special Education for Open Enrollment in 2020-2021

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve the board limits for special education for open enrollments in 2020-2021. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on Establishing Board Limits for Regular Education for Open Enrollment in 2020-2021

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by L. Ray to approve the board limits for regular education for open enrollment in 2020-2021. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of and Action on US Cellular Proposal for Emergency Phones and Administrative Cell Phones

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by L. Gill to approve the US Cellular proposal for emergency phones and administrative cell phones for the following positions to choose between a cell phone or be reimbursed each month. The 5 administration positions are the District Administrator, Principal, Athletic Director, Special Education Director and Maintenance Director. On a roll call vote, all voted yes and the motion was adopted.

Personnel

Consideration of and Action on the Employment of the Following Extra-/Co-Curricular Positions

i. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Advisor

Motion by C. Teasdale, seconded by N. Russell to approve hiring Donnie Manke as the FBLA Advisor. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

ii. Junior High Girls Basketball Coach

Motion by L. Gill, seconded by J. Gunnell to approve hiring Matt Fick as a volunteer Junior High Girls basketball coach. On a roll call vote, all voted yes except N. Russell who abstained, and the motion was adopted.

Consideration of adjourning to closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(c), which permits convening in closed session for the purpose of considering the employment and compensation of public employees/job candidates for the purpose in Item 9.B.i-iii.

- i. Presentation of Principal's Evaluation by the District Administrator
- ii. Presentation of Special Education/Pupil Services Director's Evaluation by the District Administrator
- iii. District Administrator's Evaluation

President E. Uehling announced the items to be covered in closed session – Presentation of Principal's Evaluation, Presentation of Special Education/Pupil Services Director's Evaluation and District Administrator's Evaluation. Item 9.B.i-iii. The board adjourned to closed session.

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to approve adjourning to closed session to act on the item listed above. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Convened in closed session at 7:52pm

Reconvene to Open Session at 9:32pm

Motion by J. Gunnell, seconded by M. Andrews to reconvene to open session to act on items from closed session. On a roll call vote, all voted yes, and the motion was adopted.

Action Resulting from Closed Session

No Action Taken

Principal's Report

Mrs. Bendorf presented information on preliminary course numbers, scheduling updates and the gifted and talented program.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Lierman presented information on School Board election report, vestibule project update, security camera project update, WASB convention information, expanding the use of Donors Choose and percent of budget expended.

Adjournment

Motion by N. Russell, seconded by C. Teasdale to adjourn. All voted yes, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:39pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Lee Gill, Clerk