BOARD OF EDUCATION, THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2020

The Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, June 11, 2020, with the following members present: Mr. Crews, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Rayhel, Mr. Gard, Mr. Littlejohn, Mrs. Hendrix, and Mr. Macke. Superintendent Mr. Ross was also present.

Mr. Macke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Macke thanked Kevin Ross, John Ritchey, and Kevin Keown for their work on the special drive-through graduation ceremony and parade for the Class of 2020. Terri Stewart and Jennifer Crumrin, high school secretaries, were thanked for all they did in the preparations for the evening and helping to make sure everything ran smoothly.

Mr. Ross will be sending out a survey to see how many might be interested in having a more formal graduation ceremony. The plans to re-schedule the prom are still on hold at this time.

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the minutes, treasurers' report, and bills from the month of May. On roll call was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Mr. Ross reported to the board on several topics: report cards were sent out only to the high school students for the fourth quarter; the personal property pick-up at the schools went well; all technology equipment was returned; remote learning is finished for this school year; summer athletic and school camps are cancelled; school physicals and meals will be continuing but with different guidelines; and APEX remote learning for students needed to make up credit is being used.

IHSA guidelines will allow for groups of 10 high schools to meet for weight lifting, running, training, work outs. An e-mail was sent out to the students with specific instructions and guidelines to follow.

Mr. Ross added that he hoped that jr. high athletes will be able to start their activities after June 26 (when the state opens up Phase 4 of the governor's plan). The cheer and dance activities are being worked on as much as allowed, and the marching band is hoping to meet in July.

Mr. Ross commented, "There are many questions regarding the 2020-2021 school year. The Illinois State Board of Education plans to release guidance for the next school year sometime over the next two weeks and as soon as we have those guidelines, we will be able to determine what school can look like for our students and community."

Mr. Macke opening a hearing for the FY 2020 amended budget at 6:02 p.m. Mr. Ross gave a review of the amended budget. As there were no comments or questions from the board or public, or any written comments or questions, Mr. Macke closed the hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Approved minutes, treasurer's report, bills

Amended Budget Hearing Opened

Closed Amended Budget Hearing Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to adopt the FY 2020 amended budget. On roll call was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Adopted 20-21 Amended Budget

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve the ISBE Consolidated District Plan. All present voted aye. The approval allows Mr. Ross to apply for federal grants.

Approved ISBE consolidated district plan

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to approve the hazardous conditions for transportation. This is done annually and no changes have been made. All present voted aye.

Approved hazardous conditions for transportation

Mr. Ross presented the board with Mrs. Crouch's annual Agriculture Department report.

Annual Ag Report

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to approve the school fees and lunch fees. All present voted aye. There are no changes for the school registration fees and the lunch prices will increase from \$2.55 to \$2.65. Free and reduced lunch prices are not affected.

Approved school fees and lunch prices

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to go into closed session under the purposed listed under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(personnel) and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)(negotiations). On roll call was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The board went into closed session at 6:35 p.m.

Closed Session

After the board returned to open session, Jacob Ferris was employed as a fully paid counseling intern who will work alongside Emily Elpers at the K-8 level.

Open Session

Employed Jacob Ferris counseling intern

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education