

Galesburg-Augusta Community Schools
1076 N. 37th St., Galesburg, MI 49053 ~ 269-484-2000

SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
August 10, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

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MINUTES

Superintendent: Wendy Maynard-Somers, Superintendent
Board Trustees: Jeff McCubbin, Diana Walker, Stephanie Knoblock
Kim Hubbard, Ben Overgaard, Carolyn Martin, Archie Silkworth

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I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jeff McCubbin, Diana Walker, Stephanie Knoblock, Ben Overgaard, Carolyn Martin, Archie Silkworth. Member Absent: Kim Hubbard

IV. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by D. Walker and supported by S. Knoblock to approve the agenda as amended adding A. Paraprofessional Contract, B. Secretary/Library Clerk Contract, Food Service Contract under V. Business Items – Discussion and VII. Business Items – Decision. Motion Carried 6-0.

V. BUSINESS ITEMS – DISCUSSION

A. Paraprofessional Contract

Superintendent Maynard-Somers met with the Paraprofessional group and both parties agreed to the financials with a pay freeze at this time. Superintendent Somers stated it was agreed that she will reopen the financials after the budget is received from the State, no later than November 9, 2020.

B. Secretary/Library Clerk Contract

Superintendent Maynard-Somers met with the Secretary/Library Clerk group. Both parties agreed as above.

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C. Food Service Contract

Superintendent Maynard-Somers met with the Food Service Group and both parties agreed to the same as above with funeral leave changes and sick day incentives.

D. G-A Return to Learn Plan 2020

The G-A Return to Learn Plan 2020 was presented by Superintendent Maynard-Somers.

E. KVIC Courses/ G-ACS K-4 Virtual Courses

Superintendent Maynard-Somers explained what options students have with Kalamazoo Virtual & Innovative Collaborative (KVIC) and the G-ACS K-4 Virtual Courses

F. Pushing back the start date of school

This topic was moved to the August 17, 2020 regular meeting agenda

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Participation

Several community members and staff members had the opportunity to speak at this time regarding the agenda items.

VII. BUSINESS ITEMS – DECISION

A. Paraprofessional Contract

Motion by D. Walker and supported by S. Knoblock to approve the paraprofessional contract as presented. Roll Call Vote: Martin-yes, Silkworth-yes, Overgaard-yes, Walker-yes, Knoblock-yes, McCubbin-yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

B. Secretary/Library Clerk Contract

Motion by S. Knoblock and supported by A. Silkworth to approve the Secretary/Library Clerk contract as presented. Roll Call Vote: Overgaard-yes, Martin-yes, Silkworth-yes, Walker-yes, Knoblock-yes, McCubbin-yes Motion Carried 6-0.

C. Food Service Contract

Motion by C. Martin and Supported by B. Overgaard to approve the Food Service contract as presented. Roll Call Vote: Walker-yes, Silkworth-yes, Knoblock-yes, Martin-yes, Overgaard-yes, McCubbin-yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

A. Approval of KVIC Courses and G-ACS K-4 Virtual Courses

Motion by D. Walker and supported by S. Knoblock to approve the virtual course catalog for the KVIC instructional program K-12 and to approve our G-A K-4 curriculum for virtual teaching. Roll Call Vote: Silkworth-yes, Knoblock-yes, Martin-yes, Walker-yes, Overgaard-yes, McCubbin-yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

B. G-A Return to Learn Plan 2020

Motion by A. Silkworth and supported by D. Walker to approve the Preparedness and Reopening Plan as presented. Roll Call Vote: Silkworth-yes, Knoblock-yes, Martin-yes, Walker-yes, Overgaard-yes, McCubbin-yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Board Comments

Board comments were made.

B. Superintendent Input

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Jeff McCubbin, President

Stephanie Knoblock, Secretary

Brenda Sutherland, Recording Secretary