Tuxedo Board of Education-Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 17, 2020

Tuxedo Union Free School District Board of Education Google Meet Video Conference

7:00PM

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Members present

Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe Rickard

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM

1. Meeting Opening

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order

Procedural: 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural: 1.3 Roll Call and Quorum Check

Action: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the agenda

Motion by Joe Rickard, second by Meg Vaught.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

Rickard

2. Public Comment

Information, Procedural: 2.1 Guidelines for Public Comment

Elyse Fuller- a pre-k parent made a comment about communication to parents.

3. Administrators' Reports

Reports: 3.1 Assistant Principal of Student Services Report

Ms. Scariano gave a special education update for remote learning. She reported that Orientation went well and it was great to see everyone.

All corrective action from the state review has been completed and is now in compliance.

Tuxedo has been designated a focused intervention district. We will be receiving support and additional

professional development.

Staples donated over \$1000 in school supplies.

SAT's and PSAT's will be in person. Safety protocols are in place.

First college acceptance to Sienna college!

Reports: 3.2 Lower School Principal's Report

September 1-4 were professional development days for staff. New curriculums from StemScopes and Scholastic Literacy were two of the training topics.

Device pickup and Orientation went smoothly.

Online instruction started on September 10th.

Mr. Brown reported and increase in enrollment.

GGM students created artwork to honor 9/11.

Reports: 3.3 School Business Official Report

Mr. Ziemba submitted the Business Office Reports to the Board.

Reports: 3.4 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Bohlke thanked Ms. Scariano for all of her work getting the Special Education department in compliance with NYS.

Mondays have been designated as asynchronous learning days. Teachers can use Mondays for PD's and to get more comfortable with new technologies available for online learning.

District enrollment increased to 243. A number of inquiries and tours.

This week teachers and staff had to pivot to teaching from home for a period of time because a staff member tested positive for COVID-19. Mr. Bohlke was in communication with the Orange County Department of Health. An investigation was completed by the OCDOH and no students or staff were considered contacts. The building is able to re-open but due to the upcoming Bus Proposition vote and SAT's staff would continue to work from home until next Thursday.

4. Committee Reports

Information: 4.1 OCSBA Report

Meg Vaught gave the board an update on her recent OCSBA meeting. NYSBBA would be having their convention virtually this year in October with a number of current topics relating to COVID and Pandemic related issues. She participated in a roundtable discussion with other school districts of which 11 were on remote learning, 4 were on hybrid and 4 were doing in-person learning. Notes for consideration (ideas from other districts)- linking daily survey to app, hiring additional cleaning staff, creating metrics for reopening.

5. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 5.1 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Resolution: Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8

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Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

Rickard

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.2 Meeting Minutes 8-20-20

Resolution: Motion to approve the minute's from the 8-20-20 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

Rickard

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.3 Meeting Minutes 9-1-20

Resolution: Motion to Approve Minutes from the 9-1-20 meeting.

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

Rickard

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.4 Meeting Minutes 9-15-20

Resolution: Motion to approve minutes from the 9-15-20 meeting.

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

Rickard

Action (Consent): 5.5 CSE/CPSE

Resolution: Motion to approve the CSE/CPSE recommendations report for 9-17-20.

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Michael Arone, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe

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Action (Consent): 5.6 Personnel Instructional Appointments

Resolution: Motion to approve Personnel Instructional Appointments as presented.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY
Amy Stokrocki	Special Education Teacher	9/1/20	\$82,684*
Lisa Morganstern-Perl	Science Teacher .5	9/18/20	\$70,304**

^{*} Salary Adjustment from appointment on 9/1/20 MA30 to MA60

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Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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Action (Consent): 5.7 Election Inspectors

Motion to approve Election Inspectors for the September 22, 2020 Bus Proposition Vote.

NAME	POSITION	SALARY
Kurt Haug	Machine Operator	\$15/hr
Andrew Berish	Election Inspector	\$12/hr
Mary Dixon	Election Inspector	\$12/hr
Elwood Briggs	Election Inspector	\$12/hr
George Rogero	Machine Tech	\$100/Day
Marisol Ramos	Election Inspector	\$12/hr

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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Action (Consent): 5.8 Retirement/Resignations

Resolution: Motion to approve retirements as presented.

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Julia Tartaglione	Elementary Teacher	1/1/2021
Cynthia Reese	School Bus Driver	9/9/2020
Irwin Linker	School Bus Driver	9/2/2020
Rodney Suffern	School Bus Driver	9/1/2020

Motion to approve consent agenda items 5.1-5.8.

Motion by Kimberly Breiland, second by Michael Arone.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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Action, Information: 5.9 Business Office Report

Motion to approve the business office reports.

Motion by Meg Vaught, second by Kimberly Breiland.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Meg Vaught, Dorothy Ziegelbauer, Kimberly Breiland, Daniel Castricone, Joe Rickard

No: Michael Arone

6. Items for Discussion

Discussion: 6.1 Library Books

The library is going through a weeding process to eliminate outdated books. Money will be set aside in next years budget to purchase new books. Kimberly Breiland suggested the district put together a list of books for community members to donate. Joe Rickard suggested collaboration with the public library.

Discussion: 6.2 Bus Proposition Vote Logistics

The Bus Proposition vote is on as scheduled for Tuesday, September 22nd from 2-9 PM at GGM. Safety protocols are in place. Absentee ballots are available for pickup and a ballot dropbox is located on the left side of GFB near the business office.

Discussion: 6.3 Continued Return to Learn Plan Discussion

Shelter in Place section- take out masks suggested

Break rooms and Lunch rooms- re-word staff being 6ft. apart.

Suggestion to move the GGM copy machine to avoid congregating.

Restrooms- discussion with staff on how to monitor

Occupancy per classroom has been established by the Operations and Maintenance team.

Lunchrooms will be fine with capacity while on hybrid. Suggestion to add extra HEPA filters to the lunchroom in GFB. Suggestion to add question about who is buying lunch to the morning COVID questionnaire.

Suggestion to order hand sanitizer sensor dispensers outside each room.

Discussion about isolation rooms.

HEPA filters have been ordered and are slowly coming in 2 at a time. Plexiglass has been measured and ordered.

Suggestion to cohort or shift cafeteria workers and custodial workers to avoid exposure.

Discussion about bus protocols.

Suggestion to set up Social Emotional programs and advisors to check in with.

A suggestion to have a tech support number for help with technology.

Update Extra Curricular and Athletics sections.

Community and Facilities section needs to be updated

Discussion about thermal cameras to take temperatures.

Discussion about phased re-entry bringing in Pre-K, K and 1st Grade first.

Discussion about distance learning plans for students with IEP's and 504's.

Suggestion to add protocols for students sharing supplies.

Dorothy Ziegelbauer suggested a red lined version of the plan be submitted to the board once all changes are made.

7. New Business

Discussion, Future Agenda Items: 7.1 Possible Items for New Business

School Board retreat was being rescheduled due to the building being closed. October 4th possible date.

Dan Castricone asked that credit card statements be included in the financial reports and a possible policy to be sure they are included.

Joe Rickard asked for an update on the outside auditor report. Mr. Ziemba said it was still with the auditor, expected to be completed by the end of October. Dorothy Ziegelbauer asked that a meeting of the audit committee be scheduled.

Mike Arone asked about the state school dashboard and why the Tuxedo positive COVID case was not reflected. Mr. Bohlke had already submitted a request to have that updated.

Mr. Bohlke spoke of the need for a Human Resource coordinator but a lack of response from qualified candidates. He would re-write the existing job description and title and re-post. The board asked for a description of the position and to discuss the position at the next meeting.

Dorothy Ziegelbauer reminded the District Clerk that Exit Interviews needed to be emailed to staff who have resigned.

8. Public Comment

Information, Procedural: 8.1 Guidelines for Public Comment

Rene Blume- commented that the school district has had a long-standing relationship with the public library, and she would tell the new librarian the details.

9. Adjournment

Action: 9.1 Adjourn Meeting Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Michael Arone, second by Meg Vaught.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

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Rickard

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristine DiFrancesco

District Clerk