

**Board of School Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes
Hamilton Community Schools
903 South Wayne Street
Hamilton, IN 46742**

Date Posted: August 13, 2020

Meeting Date: August 14, 2020

Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Board Room, Hamilton Jr./Sr. High School

***MEMORANDUM OF MEETING**

Those present representing the Hamilton Community Schools Board of School Trustees:

President, Mark Gould; Vice President, Jeremy Hill; Secretary, Stacy Shull; and Member: Jamy Merritt.

Absent: Lee Stoy

Representing the administration:

Visitors in attendance were: none

<u>Motion made by</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Vote</u>	
			1. Welcome and call to Order – Mr. Mark Gould at 6:30 p.m.
			2. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Anthony Cassel
			3. Approval of the Consent Agenda – <i>MOTION NEEDED</i>
			4. Patron Participation – Mr. Mark Gould, President None
JH	SS	4-0	5. Consent Agenda– <i>MOTION NEEDED</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Claims Docketb. Approval Minutes<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Regular Meeting, July 20, 2020c. Personnel Report <u>New Hires:</u> Adam Cool, Custodian, effective 07/27/2020 Dawn Brames, Kitchen Cashier, effective 07/27/2020 Candace Szeman, Bus Driver, effective 07/27/2020 Amanda Gondell, Elem Teacher, effective 08/09/2020 Fallon Buswell, Elem Teacher Asst. effective 08/09/2020 <u>Resignations/Retirements:</u> Brad Hennessey, Var. Basketball, effective 07/27/2020 Brad Hennessey, Var. Baseball, effective 07/27/2020

			<p><u>ECA Hire:</u> Suna (Rose) Johnson, Var. Girls Golf, effective 07/27/2020 Kyra Lucas, JV Girls Volleyball, effective 07/27/2020 Mindy McConnell, Jr. High Girls Basketball, effective 07/27/2020 Justin McKnight, Var. Boys Basketball, effective 07/27/2020 Justin McKnight, Var. Boys Baseball, effective 07/27/2020</p> <p>d. Receipt of Funds: none</p>
JH	SS	4-0	<p>6. New Business – <i>ACTION ITEMS</i></p> <p>a. Recommend for the Carl T. Swift Learning Center: Mr. Carl Swift educational career spanned many years and multiple positions including Superintendent of Hamilton Community Schools. He was always willing to return to Hamilton to assist where needed after leaving his position. Mr. Swift had a passion for anything to do with education, as evidenced by his life’s work. Recommend the approval of the Hamilton Community Schools Library be named: The Carl T. Swift Learning Center. A dedication ceremony will be planned on a future date.</p> <p>b. Approval of 2020-2021 Textbook Fees: The only change in the Textbook Fees is a \$25.00 Technology Device fee for the maintenance of tablets and laptops computers. Recommend the Board approve the 2020-2021 Textbook Fees as presented.</p> <p>c. Spring COVID Stipends Recommend a stipend of \$300.00 per classified individual that assisted on a regular basis with the continuance of our school lunch program. These individuals went above and beyond.</p> <p>d. In Class/Virtual Certification Stipends Recommend a weekly stipend of \$50.00 per teacher with virtual student/s. Teacher will be assessed at the end of each 9 weeks to determine if the virtual caseload has changed. The Teacher Association agrees and the necessary steps to include this stipend in the 2020-2021 school year will be made.</p>
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			<p>7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Mr. Anthony Cassel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good start to the new school year

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved around parking lot situation for PreK and Kindergarten drop off at door #5 on the south side of building. • Plans are underway to reroute the student pickup at door #1 to line up through the main parking lot getting the traffic off the main road. • The kids have been great coming to school with their own masks. We have purchased over 10,000 paper masks for those who are in need of a mask. • Enrollment is looking the best it has looked in 4 years, maybe 330 enrollments an increase of 49 students. • Have seen a steady increase of students in high school students.
			<p>8. ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT</p> <p>Mrs. Kristyn Watkins shared students have been very attentive to having facemasks when needed. Pre-K and Kindergarten is also going well. Profession Development has held on Monday, August 10 with guest speaker Linda Jordan from the 2020 Model School Conference, which was attended by several staff members this past summer. Reminded us of the Rigger, Relevance and Relationships (RRR) techniques which were introduced during the conference. We had a great first week of school. Remote learners have been up and running and parents have been very helpful.</p> <p>Mr. Greg Piatt reported everyone seemed happy the kids are back in school. Kids are handling facemasks and social distancing better than expected. Three new teachers are off to a great start. First Volleyball Game Saturday, August 22 with JV playing at 10:00 and Varsity playing at 11:00.</p>
			<p>9. TREASURER'S REPORT – Mrs. Brittany Taylor</p> <p>Mrs. Brittany is continuing to work on the current year's budget.</p>
			<p>10. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS</p> <p>Mr. Mark Gould with regrets, informed the Board that he has moved out of the district and will resign from the Board President's position. After 11 years of service over the past years. Job of a Board Member is to hire a superintendent, set policy and oversee the expenditure of money. Believes that hire Mr. Cassel has been one of the best decision the board has made. Wishes the best for everyone. Mr. Cassel responded how he appreciates the guidance Mr. Gould has provided over the years. Mr. Jeremy Hill said that Mr. Gould has been part of the school success.</p>

JH	SS		11. ADJOURNMENT by Mr. Gould at 7:01 p.m.
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Monday, September 21, 2020 Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hamilton Community Schools
Board of School Trustees

Mark Gould, President

Jeremy Hill, Vice President

Stacy Shull, Secretary

Jamy Merritt, Member

Lee Stoy, Member