BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 16, 2021 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President, Denise McBride. Present: Denise McBride, Tom Gross, Curt Gottschalk, Erin Ludwig, Rod Cole, Bob Pasch and Ron Neyer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Tom Gross read the District Goal #2 on Facilities.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 7/0.

Denise McBride welcomed Stacie Pratt, Kristina McCann, Brian Locke and Stephanie Locke.

There was no scheduled Student & Staff Spotlight.

There was no Board Business Presentations.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2021. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: information on Isabella Bank’s Beal City branch re-opening, our Back to School letter, Ad Staff agenda and minutes and the Aggie Express, a couple Educational Magazines

Tom Gross reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They discussed promoting membership for the committee. They were given a short budget update. They discussed student count for this school year and negotiations with the union will begin during the second half of the school year.

Denise McBride reported that the items discussed during the Personnel Committee meeting will be discussed later in this meeting.

Rod Freeze reported that he has been very busy working on the audit and employee handbooks.

Dan Boyer reported that they are recommending Susie Westlake for the K-12 Art Teacher position. Back to School PD will certify staff in Mental Health First Aid.

Bill Chilman had nothing to report as he included all of it in his update.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Erin Ludwig to approve the July payments of the bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $637,390.57, Payroll Account payments of $207.16, Hot Lunch payments $900.00. Student Activity Account payments of $6,586.35, Athletic Fund payments of $3,005.60, and Capital Projects 2021 payments of $72,600.54. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill reported that the parking lot is almost complete and the addition projects are behind schedule. The Sewer Project is moving along.

Rod Freeze reported that the BCEF is finalizing their Stuff the Bus Campaign. Sponsorship letters went out for the Halloween Bash.

The Strategic Plan is getting finalized and will be brought to the staff for them to work on this fall.

MASB Superintendent Evaluation Training is scheduled for September 14th at 6:30 p.m.

The Superintendent Contract Extention/Amendments will be discussed during Executive Session.

The Business Manager Options will be discussed during Executive Session.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the 1st reading of the employee handbooks as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Erin Ludwig to approve the hiring of Susie Westlake as the K-12 Art Teacher. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to approve Stephen Pritchard as an assistant football coach (100%) as presented. The Board could not approve Dennis Lorenz as a volunteer coach because of his retirement. Motion carried 7/0.

Dennis Lorenz and Matt Yuncker have resigned through PCMI as paid assistant football coaches.

The following coaches have been hired through PCMI: Justin Oswald – Football Assistant (50%) and Kylea Hoover – Fall Sideline Cheer.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the MHSAA Hockey Co-Op with Mt. Pleasant as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Rod Cole to go into executive session at 7:45 p.m. under Open Meetings Act 8a – Personnel. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Rod Cole to come out of executive session at 9:20 p.m. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Rod Cole to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 7/0.

Recording Secretary

Carrie Bleise

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary