



FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING *with Board Member Virtual Access
APRIL 20, 2020
VIRTUAL MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by David Johnson at 7:03 p.m. Due to the Board of Education Meeting was via Virtual Access the Pledge of Allegiance was not recited.

TAKING OF THE ROLL

Present: Mr. David Johnson Mr. Julio Almanza
 Mr. Jayson Hicks Mr. John Raak
 Mr. Manuel Sanchez Mr. Ross Thiele

Absent: Mr. Hutchins (arrived at 7:04 p.m.)

B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hicks supported by Hutchins, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous

E. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Jim Greydanus

- Mr. Greydanus welcomed the Board of Education and public to the first zoom meeting.
- The Continuity of Learning Plan goes live Tuesday, April 21. Technology Site Coordinator Mike Smith and the building principals worked diligently preparing for the kick-off.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Action Items:

**1. ADOPTING RESOLUTION CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION (Ref. F-1)
(Roll Call Vote)**

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution calling a Special School Election to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 for the renewal of the District's operating millage.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Almanza, Hutchins, Hicks, Sanchez, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous

2. APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT (Roll Call Vote)

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of two trucks from Todd Wenzel Buick GMC of Westland for \$31,670.60 each and two plows from Newcomer Plow and Hitch for a total of \$13,461.88 to be paid from the equipment allowance in the Aramark contract.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Almanza, Hutchins, Hicks, Sanchez, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous

**3. ADOPTING OF RESOLUTION FOR SCHOOLS OF CHOICE
(Roll Call Vote)**

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Almanza, that the Board of Education adopt the Allegan Area Schools of Choice and Section 105c Schools of Choice Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Almanza, Hutchins, Hicks, Sanchez, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

H. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE

- Mr. Almanza inquired as to when staff will be moving into the new transportation building.
- Mr. Thiele questioned if the parents whose children enrolled in the co-op pre-school program would receive reimbursement of missed school days due to the closure.
- Mr. Thiele asked if the GSRP and Head Start preschool programs are a part of the district's Continuity of Learning Plan.
- Mr. Thiele inquired whether the co-op preschool teaching staff will be paid during the closure.
- Mr. Raak questioned if the bond project funds continue collecting interest while construction is delayed.
- Mr. Hicks asked if there would be any savings on insurance premiums because of the extended closure of school.

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- Mr. Thiele inquired about the communication of the Continuity of Learning Plan to parents in each building.
- Mr. Almanza inquired if a plan is in place for graduation if the Governor's executive order extends past May 26.
- Mr. Johnson prefers graduation take place on campus, if possible.
- Mr. Sanchez suggested the use of one of the practice fields for graduation.
- Mr. Hutchins suggested we consider a balanced calendar for 2020-2021 starting earlier in August because students and teachers will have been away from school since March.
- Mr. Hutchins inquired how soon we would be able to play on the football field if the field were natural grass vs. artificial turf.
- Mr. Raak inquired about school employee pay during the closure.

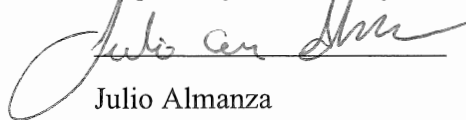
I. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Almanza, to adjourn. (7:43 p.m.)

Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous

Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts

Respectfully Submitted by,



Julio Almanza
Board Secretary

