

**FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 16, 2019  
BOARD ROOM – 7:00 P.M.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Hutchins at 7:02 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**TAKING OF THE ROLL**

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

Absent:   **None**

**B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

*Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education accept the Consent Agenda as presented to include the following:*

<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Summary of Bills</b>	<b>Accept Resignations</b>
November 18, 2019	November 2019	November 2019	Matt Okma Natalie Curtis

**Motion carried:    7-0    Unanimous**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**1. STUDENT REPORT:**

- The student representative was absent, Mr. Greydanus gave the update on the high school events.

**2. Jim Greydanus**

- Mr. Greydanus provided an update on the 2018-19 Title 1, Part A funds.

- The district will be receiving funds under Section 31n to be used for additional mental health services for our students. Mr. Greydanus is working with Innocademy and Glenn to possibly combine our money to get a full-time counselor in our area.
- Grant opportunity! The state plans to fund ten new school-based health centers across the state in counties where there are no centers. Currently, Allegan County does not have such centers and this would create a grant opportunity for a Fennville location.
- Terri Metcalf has been working diligently to complete the amendments to the consolidated application before the holiday break.
- Mr. Greydanus provided a bond project update on the transportation building and the high school art room.

### **English 8 Project**

Mrs. Blake, Eighth Grade ELA Teacher, reported on this year's Project-Based learning program entitled \$25 Showcase. Teams of students came up with ideas as to how they could use \$25 to improve their school or community.

Three student groups presented on their group projects. Each group reported on the skills they learned while working on this project.

### **Technology Report**

Mike Smith, Technology Director, provided an update on the latest technology upgrades and items the team has been working on this year.

## **E. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Informational/Discussion/Presentation Items**

1. Policy Committee Meeting scheduled for January 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting scheduled for January 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
3. Work Session scheduled for January 7, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. BOARD AUTHORIZATION THE USE OF DISTRICT PURCHASE CARD**

*Motion by Hutchins, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education authorize the use of a District purchase card for the Federal Programs Director to conduct District business.*

**Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous**

#### **2. APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR OVERNIGHT STAY**

*Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education approve an overnight stay at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, January 16-18, 2020 for the high school students who earned an invitation to perform with the State MSVMA Honors Choir at the Michigan Music Conference.*

**Motion carried: 7-0 Unanimous**

**F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Cara DePree, Fennville Elementary parent expressed her concern about the amount of time elementary students have to eat lunch. She would like the students to have some extra time, especially those in K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

**G. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE**

- Mr. Raak commented on how well the students addressed the board, displayed confidence, and provided detail on their projects.

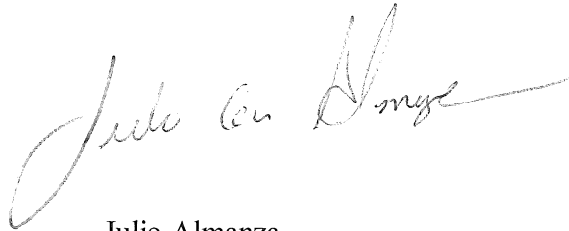
**H. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks to adjourn. (8:05 p.m.).*

**Motion carried 7-0 Unanimous**

*Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts*

Respectfully Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Julio Almanza". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Julio Almanza  
Board Secretary