



**FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 19, 2021  
BOARD ROOM – 7:00 P.M.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Tobias Hutchins at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**TAKING OF THE ROLL**

Present: Mr. Tobias Hutchins                      Mr. Manuel Sanchez  
                 Mr. Ross Thiele                              Mr. Rico Ponce  
                 Mrs. Juliet Michele                           Mr. Paul Hapke  
                 (left at 7:16 p.m.; returned at 7:35 p.m.)

**B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education accepts 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 from</b>	<b>Offer probationary contract to</b>
2. June 21, 2021 Budget Hearing, June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting, July 1, 2021 Special Meeting	June 2021	June 2021	Samantha Beltran, Steve Leinbach	Adam Nottoli

**Motion carried:                      6-0                      Unanimous**

**E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Director of Curriculum & Instruction Jessie Gierucki provided an update on the summer school program. This year the program collaborated with the

Outdoor Discovery Center and Saugatuck Center for the Art. An unveiling of the mural art students created is July 29, 2021 at the Root.

- Mrs. Gierucki presented the curriculum expansion pack that will be purchased by the district.
- Transportation department happy with the legislation that passed and was signed into law prohibiting anyone from boarding a school bus without the driver's permission and for allowing the use of bus video to prosecute red light infractions.
- Transportation department is applying for a grant to purchase WIFI services for buses and software that can be used to indicate when a student boards and gets off the bus.
- Mr. Greydanus welcomed new staff members Valerie Wohlwend, Paul Andrews, Wendell Hughes, and Adam Notolli.
- The Board is asked to approve a change in the first day of school date to August 25, 2021 which has been agreed to with the FEA.
- Mr. Greydanus reviewed information on each of the action items for this meeting.
- Mr. Greydanus shared a COVID-19 update from MDHHS.

## **F. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Discussion Items:**

### **Action Items:**

#### **1. APPROVAL OF 2021-2022 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education establish August 25, 2021 as the first day of school.*

**Motion carried: 5-1**

#### **2. APPROVAL OF BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM PURCHASE**

*Motion by Paul, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of a new burglar alarm system from the bond project money for the high school from Siemens Industry, Inc. for \$31,568.00.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

#### **3. CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2023 Contract of Employment for Paul Andrews for the position of High School Principal.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

#### **4. CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2023 Contract of Employment for Wendell Hughes for the position of Director of Athletics and Community Recreation.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

**5. CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2023 Contract of Employment for Valerie Wohlwend for the position of Director of Food Service.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

**6. APPROVAL OF ELEMENTARY READING CURRICULUM PROGRAM**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of the expansion Open Court reading program for the elementary in the amount of \$74,528.46.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

**7. FIRST READING OF HANDBOOKS**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education conduct the first reading of the Elementary School, Middle School, High School, and Pearl Alternative High School handbooks for the 2021-2022 school year.*

**Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous**

**G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Maurillio Rios 1184 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, Fennville, MI 49408 – Re: Critical Race Theory and 1619 Project
- Kirk Lekowski 88 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, Fennville, MI 49408 – Re: Elementary Sex Education

**H. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE**

- Toby Hutchins – Responded to Maurillio Rios and Kirk Lekowski's concerns.
- Paul Hapke – Responded to Kirk Lekowski's concerns.
- Toby Hutchins – Board begin working on the common calendar for strategic planning and superintendent evaluation.
- Toby Hutchins – Suggested a Bond Project Open House the evening of the first home football game.
- Paul Hapke – Recommended masks not worn this school year, unless it is required.

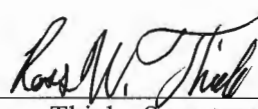
**I. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, to adjourn. (8:01 p.m.)*

**Motion carried: 5-1**

Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts

Respectfully Submitted by,



Ross Thiele, Secretary

