

Approval Date: November 18, 2019

FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 13, 2019  
BOARD ROOM – 6:00 P.M.

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Johnson at 6:20 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**TAKING OF THE ROLL**

Present: Mr. David Johnson  
Mr. Tobias Hutchins (6:45)  
Mr. Manuel Sanchez  
Mr. Ross Thiele  
Mr. Julio Almanza  
Mr. John Raak  
Absent: Mr. Jayson Hicks  
Also Present: Mr. Jim Greydanus,

**B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

<b>Agenda</b>			
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**Motion carried: 5-0 Unanimous**

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**Informational/Discussion/Presentation Items**

1. Mr. Greydanus updated the Board of Education on the status of the Title 1A money that was taken back from the 17-18 school year, but has not been fully restored for the 19-20 school year as expected. Central Office staff are working with the MDE to resolve the issue of carryover funds and waiver requirements.
2. The Board reviewed changes to the easement request from the City of Fennville.
3. The Board discussed the bond project and the overall bond budget. The Facilities and Transportation Committee will meet on November 14 to make recommendations to the Board for November 18.

4. Mr. Greydanus asked the Board to consider creating a \$25,000 allowance from the sinking fund for allowable projects during the 2019-2020 school year. This will be placed on the November 18 agenda.

**F. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE**

1. Mr. Thiele raised concern about the roles of the Director of Secondary Student Services, Student Success Coordinator, and Principal at the HS. Mr. Johnson stated that the Board agreed to the administrative realignment plan and that the effectiveness would be evaluated in the future after the administrative team has had opportunity to implement and adjust the plan as necessary.
2. Mr. Johnson expressed concern about the limited lighting at the pedestrian crosswalks on Maple Street. He would also like to see a painted crosswalk on Elizabeth Street. Mr. Greydanus has raised the concern with the City Administrator and will do so again in conjunction with the easement agreement.
3. Mr. Hutchins noted that the District had introduced new staff early in the summer, but had not followed through with public introductions of Mr. Potts and other new staff. Mr. Greydanus will seek to get information out via social media.

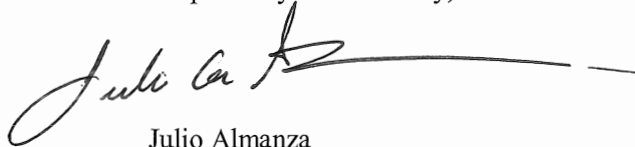
**G. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Raak, supported by Sanchez, to adjourn. (8:22 p.m.).*

**Motion carried          6-0          Unanimous**

*Recorded by Superintendent, Jim Greydanus*

Respectfully Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julio Almanza", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Julio Almanza  
Board Secretary