

FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2017
BOARD ROOM – 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

TAKING OF THE ROLL

Present: Mr. David Johnson Mr. Tobias Hutchins
Mrs. Juliet Michele Mr. Jayson Hicks
Mr. Manuel Sanchez Student Representative, Matthew McAllister

Absent: Mr. John Raak Mr. Julio Almanza

B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add Action Item F-5: Approve the Correction to the Sinking Fund Tax Levy to 0.4935 mills.

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Al Meeusen asked to have the board consider leasing the property on Main Street to another bank or Credit Union. Mr. Meeusen is concerned that with Chemical Bank closing the Fennville branch the community no longer will have a local place to bank.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Minutes	Summary of Bills	Treasurer's Report	Agenda with Additions	Employment Contract
September 18, 2017 Regular Meeting October 10, 2017 Work Session	September 2017	September 2017	Add Action Item F-5 (Approval of Correction to the Sinking Fund Levy)	Ashley Busscher

Motion carried: 5-0 Unanimous

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Student Representative, Mathew McAllister
 - Congratulations to the Blackhawk Marching Band for earning their third consecutive 1st Division rating at district marching band festival last Tuesday in Zeeland. The band did not march in the Goose Festival parade due to the weather and potential rain damage to instruments. The band will perform on Saturday, October 21 at the Jenison Band Invitational.
 - This past Thursday, October 12, Judge Baillargeon conducted the Courts in the Schools program for Fennville High School.
 - Tonight our boys' soccer team is playing in the first round of districts vs. Comstock at Comstock. If they win tonight, they will play Schoolcraft at home at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

2. Mr. Greydanus invited the Board to the NHS Induction.
 - Tony Schippa will be coming out to teach CPR to the Food Service, Custodial, and Transportation staff on October 30 & 31, Professional Development days. The transportation department will receive training on Epi pens, AED, and Seizure Awareness per request of Transportation Director Anne Brow.
 - Parent Teacher Conferences will be held October 24-26. During which time the Bond Proposal video will be playing on a loop for parents to view. Mr. Greydanus and the Board will be available to answer questions.

Mr. Raak arrived during the Student Representative's report at 7:05 p.m.

3. Albert Lombard and Literacy Coach, Kelly Howes gave the board an update on the 3rd Grade Reading Law that Governor Snyder signed on October 6, 2016. They explained the Assessment to Inform Instruction, 3rd Grade Reading Law-Literacy Coach Model, Individual Reading Plan, and 3rd Grade Reading Law: Promotion that begins in 2019-2020. They spoke in detail about how it will be implemented, and the data they will be collecting.

4. Corey Harbaugh reported on the plan for Fennville administrators to conduct instructional rounds where they observe classrooms together as a group and then reflect on their individual observations. Corey Harbaugh reported on the plan for Fennville administrators to conduct their second round to observe classrooms together as a group and then reflect on their observations. Fennville Elementary has learned that they are in Cohort A of the Reading Now Network grant through WMU. This means that they will receive the interventions starting this school year.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Informational/Discussion/Presentation Items

1. Personnel Committee Date: Tuesday, October 17 at 5:30 p.m.
2. Policy Committee Date: Wednesday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. BOARD APPROVAL OF BID TO PURCHASE BUS

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Michele, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of two, 2015 model 77-passenger buses from the Holland Bus Company for \$66, 800 per bus.
Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

2. APPROVAL OF ARAMARK CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Motion by Michele, supported by Sanchez, that the Board of Education approve Amendment No. 2 to the Management Services Agreement between Fennville Public Schools and Aramark for July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 with up to four consecutive one -year renewals.
Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

3. BOARD ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO BORROW

Motion by Hicks, supported by Michele, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution to borrow \$1,000,000 for cash flow needs from Chemical Bank.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Hicks, Hutchins, Raak, Michele, Sanchez, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF DATE FOR ORGANIZAITONAL MEETING

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education establish the date of January 15, 2018 as the date for the Board of Education Organizational Meeting for 2018.

5. CORRECTION TO THE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, that the Board of Education certify the Sinking Fund tax levy at 0.4935 mills.

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Meussen re-iterated to the board to consider leasing the property on Main Street to another bank or Credit Union.

H. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS

Motion by Hutchins, supported Hicks, to move into closed session to discuss negotiations.
(8:13 p.m.)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Michele, Hutchins, Hicks, Sanchez, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Michele to reconvene in open session. (8:30 p.m.)

Motion carried: 6-0 Unanimous

I. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE

The Board shared their thoughts and ideas in regards to Chemical Bank closing the Fennville branch.

- Mrs. Michele stated Fennville need to have another bank because this is a cash community and that needs to be available to them.
- Mr. Raak shared that banks are closing because they are moving to online banking. He believes that banks will soon be obsolete.
- Mr. Johnson would like the Board to continue looking for opportunities to bring a bank back to the community.
- Mr. Greydanus stated that Chemical bank would continue to provide pick-up for the school.

The Community Athletic Center held their Advisory Board Meeting October 10, 2017. Mr. Hicks, Advisory Board Member, indicated that there was discussion on different ideas on increasing revenue.

Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hicks, and Mr. Sanchez were received well at the Clyde Township meeting. They spoke about the Bond Proposal and had good conversations with those attended. He was also able to attend the Community Athletic Center Advisory Board Meeting and speak about the Bond Proposal.

Dave has been receiving good feedback from community members.

Mr. Johnson will be attending the next Fennville Fire Department meeting. He would like to establish a mutual response time with them. He feels that there is not enough staff on standby in the event of an emergency.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hutchins, supported by Hicks, to adjourn. (9:08 p.m.).

Motion carried 6-0 Unanimous

Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts

Respectfully Submitted by,



Juliet Michele
Board Secretary