



FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020
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. Dave Johnson Mr. John Raak
 Mr. Ross Thiele Mr. Paul Hapke

Absent: Mr. Tobias Hutchins, Mr. Manuel Sanchez, Mr. Julio Almanza

B. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Action Item #8: Certification of General Fund Tax Levy.

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Thiele, supported by Raak, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Minutes	Treasurer's Report	Summary of Bills	Acceptance of Resignations
2. August 17, 2020 Regular Meeting, September 2, 2020 Special Meeting, September 2, 2020 Work Session	3. August 2020	4. August 2020	5. Kim Zdybel, Jessica Rinaldi, Shad Fish, Michelle Brink, Linda Menear, Jill Larsen, Kori Sneller, Becky Snyder, Maria Villalobos

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Jim Greydanus

- Mr. Greydanus provided an update on COVID-19 statistics for our region and county from MIStart Map and COVID Act Now dashboard.
- Mr. Lombard announced two Head Start classrooms closed until September 28, due to one of the preschool students testing positive for the COVID-19 virus.

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- Enrollment numbers are steadily climbing.
- Staff remains in constant communication with families whose students are enrolled in remote learning.
- The administration team continues conversations on reporting remote learning students for count day.
- Parents are switching their students to in-person learning due to various difficulties such as logging on, language barriers, unstable internet, etc. reported MS Principal Brent Potts and Elementary Principal Albert Lombard.
- Bond Project update: Bleacher materials have arrived, and assembly will begin soon. The turf should arrive this week Thursday.
- Mr. Greydanus gave a brief explanation on the action items of the evening's agenda.
- A conditional certification of the recreation millage needs to be added to the October board meeting agenda.
- Mr. Thiele asked how staff were feeling with the additional work of having to not only teach in person but to remote students as well. Mr. Greydanus and the principals indicated that the first few weeks have been overwhelming for everyone.
- Mr. Thiele asked if the positions of Director of Secondary Student Services and Director of Curriculum and Instruction could still include time teaching in the classroom. Mr. Greydanus shared that a valid teaching certificate is expected so these individuals could teach classes if it became necessary.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Informational/Discussion/Presentation Items:

- 1a. Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting tentatively scheduled for October 1, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- 1b. Policy Committee Meeting scheduled for October 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.
- 1c. Finance Committee Meeting tentatively scheduled for October 13, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Action Items:

1. RECONFIRMATION OF DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTION

Motion by Hapke, supported by Raak, that the Board of Education reconfirm the delivery of instruction provisions in the District Extended Continuity of Learning Plan and District Preparedness and Response Plan.

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

2. BOARD ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO BORROW

Motion by Thiele, supported by Hapke, that the Board of adopt the resolution to borrow \$1,250,000 for cash flow needs from Eastern Michigan Bank.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Hapke, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

3. APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE SALARY GUIDELINES

Motion by Hapke, supported by Thiele, that the Board of Education approve the updated Administrative Salary Guidelines.

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

4. APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

Motion by Thiele, supported by Hapke, that the Board of Education approve the positions of Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Director of Secondary Student Services.

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

5. APPROVAL OF THE VIRUTAL ACADEMY OF ALLEGAN COUNTY (VAAC) VIRTUAL CURRICULUM

Motion by Thiele, supported by Hapke, that the Board of Education approve the VAAC curriculum provided through Calvert Learning and Edmentum.

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

6. REINSTATEMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

Motion by Hapke, supported by Thiele, that the Board of Education conditionally reinstate the high school student originally expelled on May 29, 2019.

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

7. APPROVAL OF MEDIATION SERVICES CONTRACT

Motion by Hapke, supported by Thiele, that the Board of Education approve the contract with Mediation Services for the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Hapke, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

8. CERTIFICATION OF GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY

Motion by Hapke, supported by Thiele, that the Board of Education certify the General Fund Tax Levy at 18 mills.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Raak, Thiele, Hapke, Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Mr. Lombard expressed his appreciation for his staff's hard work and dedication to help make the start of the school year a safe and successful one for students.

H. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD TABLE

- Mr. Raak thanked the staff for their efforts.
- Mr. Johnson appointed Paul Hapke to the role of Board Treasurer.
- Mr. Johnson recommended each board member attend local township meetings

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to share information on the Community Recreation Millage proposal.

- Mr. Johnson encouraged administrators, teachers, staff, and board members to develop a common goal for the District.
- Mr. Thiele proposed the Board begin conversations about developing a district strategic plan.
- Kindergarten Teacher Cherie Schmidt's idea of a common goal is to help students achieve and be successful.
- Mr. Greydanus shared that on the first Friday of the first week of school, several of the district's retired teachers stood out by the Memorial Drive entrance with signs supporting teachers and staff.

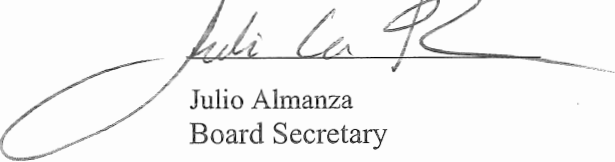
I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Thiele, supported by Raak, to adjourn. (8:12 p.m.)

Motion carried: 4-0 Unanimous

Recorded by Executive Secretary, Marileen Pitts

Respectfully Submitted by,



Julio Almanza
Board Secretary