BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 28, 2021 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President, Denise McBride. Present: Denise McBride, Tom Gross, Curt Gottschalk, Erin Ludwig, Rod Cole and Ron Neyer. Bob Pasch was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Rod Cole read the Board Belief Statements.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 6/0.

Denise McBride welcomed Alan Prout, Katrien De Vos and Veena Cole.

There was no scheduled Student & Staff Spotlight.

There was no Board Business Presentations.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2021. Motion carried 6/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: COVID Quarantine Guidelines Update, Ad Staff Agenda, information on the GRIESD Biennial Election, School Equity Caucus newsletters, Set Seg Cyber Risk Assessment, Gov. Whitmer’s School Funding Priorities, Set Seg Loss Control Review and educational magazines.

Bill Chilman reported for the Business & Finance Committee. They reviewed the budget amendments and the proposed budget. They reviewed the bond debt structure and discussed the windmill/DTE lawsuit. They discussed re-opening the bank account for investment from bond proceeds.

Bill Chilman reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They were given a quick budget update. They discussed the current COVID recommendations. They were given handbook updates and the update of the Extended COVID Return to Learn Plan.

Denise McBride reported that the Personnel Committee reviewed the Superintendent’s Evaluation.

Rod thanked the Board for the Staff Appreciation Bar-B-Que they put on at the end of the school year. Rod gave an accounting software update.

Bill Chilman thanked the Board for the Staff Appreciation Bar-B-Que. Bill thanked the entire staff for their efforts this past school year and especially the end of the year. It was awesome!

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the May payments of the bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $590,467.95, Payroll Account payments of $1,604.09, Hot Lunch payments $11,572.99. Student Activity Account payments of $4,930.30, Athletic Fund payments of $4,466.40, and Arbiter Sports payments of $1,916.05. Motion carried 6/0.

Bill updated the Board on the construction timeline. He discussed the Bond Issuance Resolution and he reported that the destruction of the parking lot will begin tomorrow and he updated the Board on the Sewer Project.

Rod Freeze reported for the BCEF. He reported that the hall is rented for the Halloween Bash on October 30th.

The Extended COVID-19 Return to Learn Plan was discussed during the DSIT report.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the Bond Issuance Resolution as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

The Superintendent Evaluation will be discussed during Executive Session.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the 2020-2021 Budget Final Amendments as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the 2021-2022 Proposed Budget as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the 2021-2022 Millage Tax Levy as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the activation of the Beal City Public School’s dormant Michigan Liquid Asset Fund (MILAF) bank account to receive and hold the Bond 2021 proceeds and to authorize the following signatories on the 2021 Bond Proceeds account: Rodney Freeze and William Chilman. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the 1st reading of the Elementary Student Handbook as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to approve the 1st reading of the Secondary Student Handbook as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to accept Leigha Compson’s resignation as a School Counselor. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the following hiring recommendations for the 2021-2022 school year: Staci Vessell – School Counselor, Emily Schafer – K-12 Band Director, Brooke Bowlby – 2nd Gr Teacher and Breanna Gillis – 2 year K-12 School Counselor. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to accept Chadd Fletcher’s resignation as a JH Volleyball Coach and Scott Leppert’s resignation as the JH Girls Track Coach as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the following coaching recommendations: Griffin Bohannon- Cross Country, Stephen Pritchard – Football Assistant (60%), Stephanie Locke – Voluntary Assistant Cross Country, Jordan Jablonski – Voluntary Assistant Volleyball, Charlie Gross – Voluntary Assistant Football and David Miles Sr. – Voluntary Assistant Football. Motion carried 6/0

Bill reported that the following PCMI coaches have resigned: Bailie Erway – Sideline Cheer and Nicole Fox – 7th Gr Volleyball.

The following coaches have been hired through PCMI: Brad Gross – Head Football, Dan Martin – Assistant Football, Jade Kennedy – Varsity Volleyball, Dennis Lorenz – Football Assistant (50%), Matt Yuncker – Football Assistant (50%), Justin Oswald – Football Assistant (40%), Noelle Woodbury - JV Volleyball, and Shelby Trevino – Freshman Volleyball.

Bill reported that the following support staff have resigned through PCMI: Jessica Thomas – Paraprofessional and Theresa Lambourn – Paraprofessional.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to go into Executive Session – Open Meetings Act Article 8a Personnel at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to come out of executive session at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the Superintendent’s Evaluation as presented. Motion carried 6/0

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Erin Ludwig to adjourn at 9:48 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 6/0.

Recording Secretary

Carrie Bleise

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary