BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 26, 2023 7:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said

Bob Pasch read the District Belief Statement.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 5/0.

Denise McBride welcomed Michael Haring, Krystal Haring.

Motion by Brian Locke, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2023. Motion carried 5/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: educational magazines, the school district calendar for the 2023-2024 school year, recent job postings, School Equity Caucus Newsletters, Aggie Express Newsletter, the Consensus Revenue Agreement, a letter from Thrun regarding Certain Prohibited Bargaining Subjects.

Bob Pasch reported for the Business & Finance Committee. They discussed the 2022-2023 Budget Amendments and the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget. They also discussed the non-union wage recommendations for 2023-2024.

Erin Ludwig reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They were given an SEL/Safety and Security update. The principals gave updates on the SSIT and ESIT committee meetings. Dan updated the committee on a new math program called Imagine Math. They were given a Student Handbook update.

Dan Boyer reported that we have a baseball state championship. He also reported that the eighth graders had a great time on their east coast trip. He also reviewed the recommended changes for the secondary student handbook.

Rod Freeze reported that he is reviewing the Yeo & Yeo engagement letter. They will be here July 6 & 7 for the preliminary audit.

Bill Chilman had a large update and has nothing more to add to it.

Motion by Curt Gottschalk, seconded by Erin Ludwig to approve the May payments of the bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $787,699.31, Hot Lunch payments of $16,485.95, Student Activity Account payments of $23,911.33, Athletic Fund payments of $3,526.44, Arbiter Sports payments of $3,361.00, Debt 2017 payments of $25.00 and Capital Projects 2021 checking account payments of $46,215.00. Motion carried 5/0.

Bill Chilman reported that the Fire System is under a state review now and Blocks are hoping to get started on that project in July. Bill has received very good feedback on the new Bond Proposal up for election in August. Flyers were given to each Board Member for them to distribute.

Rod reported that the 75th Birthday Bash was a success and a lot of fun. Information on the birthday celebration and the upcoming Halloween Bash were given to each board member.

The Superintendent Evaluation will be discussed during Executive Session.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to approve the 2nd reading of the Neola Spring Policy updates as presented including changing the board meeting public speaking time limit from 3 minutes to 5 minutes. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to approve the MHSAA Membership Resolution for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to approve the following professional staff hires as presented: Makenna Eddy – Science Teacher, Aspen Smith – Social Studies Teacher, Ryan Burns – Band Director/Teacher and Griffin Bohannon – Athletic Director. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to accept Sarah Block’s resignation as the Central Office Secretary and Carrie Bohy’s resignation as a bus driver. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to approve the hiring of Krystal Haring as a Central Office Secretary as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to accept Griffin Bohannon’s resignation as the Cross Country Head Coach. Motion carried 5/0.

Bill reported that Easton Yuncker has been hired through PCMI as the Varsity Girls Basketball Coach.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the 1st reading of the Elementary & Secondary Student Handbooks as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Brian Locke, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the non-union wages for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Motion carried 4/0. Curt Gottschalk abstained.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the 2022-2023 Budget Final Amendments as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Curt Gottschalk to approve the 2023-2024 Budget Proposal as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to approve the 2023-2024 Tax Levy as presented. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to go into Executive Session – Open Meetings act – Article 8a Personnel (Superintendent’s Evaluation) at 8:03 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Brian Locke to come out of executive session at 10:00 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to adjourn at 10:02 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 5/0.

Recording Secretary

Carrie Bleise

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary