BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 16, 2022 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Secretary, Curt Gottschalk. Present: Tom Gross, Erin Ludwig, Curt Gottschalk, and Bob Pasch. Denise McBride, Rod Cole, and Ron Neyer were absent. Curt volunteered to lead the meeting tonight in Denise and Rod’s absence. Thank you very much Curt. This is the also the first meeting missed by Denise McBride since being elected to the board in 2008.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Erin Ludwig read the Board’s Vision Statement.

Motion by Bob Pasch seconded by Tom Gross to approve the agenda with the motion to move the student disciplinary action item to the top of new business. Motion carried 4/0.

Guests this month were Veen Cole, Matthew Hatcher, Matt, Jill and Keenan Irving. Matthew Hatcher wanted to address the board.

There were no presentations this month.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2022. Motion carried 4/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: Educational Magazines, Aggie Express, SEC, Budget comparisons, Summer School info, lunch rates increasing, CTE Annual Report and Voc Ed Mileage Info, discussed that he ordered shirts for board members for graduation. All of his correspondence was included in his board update.

Erin Ludwig reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They were given a quick budget update. The district is expecting an increase this year but will be budgeting conservatively. Erin touched on Title One, the reading program, and MCIP, as they will be focusing on Math and ELA goals for next school year. SSIT didn’t have much to report at this time as they are busy hiring, trying to find the most qualified candidates. They seem to have a very good pool of candidates.

Rod Freeze reported that he is keeping busy with payroll and will be working on the budget in the coming weeks. He stated he attended the MSBO and learned some useful information. Rod stated that the foundation allowance would be going up. He is hearing that categorical monies are most not likely to pass in this new state aid being presented. Rod has also been working with Marci on the budget for next year as free lunches for all will not be available to all students. They are using the 2019/2020 school year data for comparison breakfast and lunch numbers.

Dan Boyer discussed that he is busy hiring for 3 positions. All three positions seem to have a good pool of candidates and he is taking his time and making sure he is selecting the most highly qualified person for each position. He has also been busy with end of year activities and specifically graduation next week on May 26th. He looks forward to another good ceremony and is proud to have all kids be graduating in this year’s class.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the April 2022 payments of the bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $633,006.62, Payroll Account payments of $0, Hot Lunch payments of $18,770.67, Student Activity Account payments of $19,544.51, Athletic Fund payments of $4,862.56, Arbiter Sports payments of $714.70, Capital Projects payments of $13,840.00, and Capital Projects 2021 Checking of $126,815.77. Motion carried 4/0.

Dan Boyer, high school principal, spoke on behalf of the student disciplinary situation and presented facts and circumstances that took place surrounding this. The board asked questions of Dan and the family and the family in turn spoke to the board assuring the board that they are working with the student at home and have full confidence that the student didn’t have any mal intent. After much deliberation it was decided on to suspend the student through the remainder of the school year and let him start in the fall with his peers. Motion by Erin Ludwig to approve the student disciplinary recommendation as presented, supported by Bob Pasch. Motion carried 4/0.

Bill Chilman reported on the Bond Project. He reported that they have been working on sound proofing a few areas in the building, and discussed that they are considering a walkway to the small gym for elementary students. He was disappointed that the outside wasn’t all buttoned up for graduation, but regardless, big progress is being made. If anyone would like a tour, please reach out to Bill, he would be happy to give one.

Rod Freeze reported that they have 11 ($500) scholarships to give out to seniors. Rod and Bill will be making calls and delivering these scholarships on Wednesday May 18, 2022. He has had parents call inquiring about the scholarships so the community is really looking forward to this and people are starting to learn more about the BCEF.

Bill reminded the Board that Erin’s, Rod’s and Ron’s seats are up for election this fall. Members are able to go to the county clerk’s office and fill out paperwork. Please have paperwork returned by July 26th at 4:00. Bill also requested that if anyone knows of anyone who may be interested in joining the board, to let them know so they have an opportunity to possibly run this fall.

Bill said that they would discuss superintendent goals and his self-evaluation in executive session. His final evaluation will be in June.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Tom Gross to approve the first reading of NEOLA Spring Policy Updates as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Erin Ludwig to approve the hiring of Nathan Bachelder for the full time custodian position as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to accept the resignation of Alsatia Lohr as a full time English teacher as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

Motion by Tom Gross, seconded by Erin Ludwig to approve the RESD annual budget resolution as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the MHSAA Membership Resolution for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

Graduation is set for May 26, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m. (Reminder) Please arrive no later than 6:45.

The staff appreciation Cookout is set for June 8, 2022 from 12-3.

June School Board Meeting Reminder DSIT- June 27, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

Budget Hearing June 27, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting June 27, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Tom Gross to go into Executive Session under Open Meetings Act Article 8A – Personnel/Sups Evaluation. And 8C – Negotiations Motion carried 4/0.

Motion by Bob Pasch seconded by Tom Gross to come out of Executive Session at 8:43 p.m.

Motion by Erin Ludwig, seconded by Tom Gross to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 4/0.

Recording Secretary

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary