

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2020 7:00 PM Central

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to attendance of the public.

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Present: Janet Byars, Erin Chadwick, Doris Martin, Lisa Pieper, Eric Trusty, Steve Winter, Jon Zimmerman. Present: 7.

Mr. Zimmerman, President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order virtually at 7:01 PM. At the beginning of the meeting, the chairperson announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was available online and accessible to members of the public.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Consent Agenda

Martin presented the following items on the consent agenda:

3.1. Approval of the agenda as submitted

3.2. Approval of minutes of the regular Board of Education meeting on April 13, 2020

3.3. Approval of the proposed accounts for payment

3.4. Approval of budgetary receipts and expenditures for April 2020

3.5. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes- April 30, 2020

3.6. Approval of Option Students: To Freeman- Josiah Wallman- Gr. 12; To Tri County- Tristan Krumme- Gr. K, Quade Roeber- Gr. K

3.7. Approval of resignation of Theresa Fox- Middle School Social Studies and Tabettha Jurgens- Preschool

3.8. Approval of contracts for 2020-2021: Marissa Kroft- Preschool; Hannah Meints- 1st Grade at Paddock Lane; Emily Schaefer- Science at Middle School; Jennifer Hoefer-Preschool

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve the consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

4. Outstanding Recognition

4.1. Student Board of Education Member

Mr. Alexander thanked Zack Zimmerman for serving as the student rep for the Board of Education and informed him that the Board has a plaque as a token of appreciation. He thanked him for his time and service and wished him luck with future endeavors.

5. Information

5.1. Student Update

Zack Zimmerman informed the Board that this has been a very unique ending to the school year, but he thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as the student rep. He noted that the seniors' last day of learning was on May 7th and that all other students will conclude on May 14th.

5.2. Board Reports

5.2.1. Committee of the Whole

Martin reported that the Committee of the Whole met virtually on April 30, 2020 with all Board members present. The following topics were discussed: high reliability schools (HRS) results (Dr. Nielsen), summer school (Dr. Nielsen), capital systems copier lease proposal (Mr. Alexander), end-of-year date (Mr. Alexander), transportation (Mr. Alexander), and administrator/classified salaries (Mr. Alexander). No one spoke during public forum. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

6. Public Forum/Citizen's Requests/Comments Related to Agenda Items

No one spoke at this time.

7. Discussion

7.1. 2nd Reading of AR-4515 Advancement of Salary Schedule

Mr. Alexander shared that no changes have been made to this regulation since the first reading last month.

8. Action

8.1. Approval of interlocal cooperation act agreement for alternative education program with ESU 5 for 2020-21 school year

Mr. Alexander informed the Board that this agreement is with ESU#5 and secures our alternative education (SNAP) program. He added that it is an important part of offering alternative programming for some students.

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve the interlocal cooperation act agreement with ESU 5 for 2020-21 school year passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.2. Approval of addendum to transportation agreement

Mr. Alexander shared that this addendum is a result of the funds being received under the "Education Stabilization Fund"/CARES Act. He added that nothing has changed since the April Committee meeting and that the negotiated credits total approximately \$72,000 for the district. He informed the Board that the addendum represents the definition of the CARES Act and outlines both the district's and Mid State's responsibilities. Trusty commented that Mid States is being a good partner as the company willingly works with the district.

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve the addendum to the transportation agreement with Mid States School Bus, Inc. passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Eric Trusty.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.3. Approval of copier lease proposal

Mr. Alexander shared that as a cost savings measure he would recommend that the current copier lease be bought out by Capital Business Systems. The total savings over five years is almost \$40,000. Eakes did provide a summation of options for the district as well, but could not match the savings amount.

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve the copier lease proposal with Capital Systems passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.4. Approval of classified staff wages and benefits for 2020-21

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve a 1.74% salary increase in classified staff wages for the 2020-21 school year passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.5. Approval of other contracted staff wages and benefits for 2020-21

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve a 2% salary increase in the other contracted staff wages for the 2020-21 school year passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.6. Approval of administrators salaries and benefits for 2020-21

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve a 2% salary increase in the other contracted staff wages for the 2020-21 school year passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.
Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

8.7. Approval of superintendent contract

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 approve the superintendent contract with Jason Alexander passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.
Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

9. Administrators' Report

9.1. Superintendent Report

Mr. Alexander began by informing the Board that he is working with Mr. Sutter and incident command on what may or may not be allowed at the drive-in graduation on Friday, May 29th. Next, he shared that there have been some conversations with Matt Dominy and Dr. Castner in regards to strategic planning and the proposed price is down to approximately \$10,000. He informed the Board that he is working with a company to get quotes for some time and attendance trackers. Finally, he noted that a decision on the start of the 20-21 school year would probably be made in July. He added that he has heard information on 4 different models which include a normal start, remote start, starting around Labor Day or separated schedules.

10. Notification of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be June 8, 2020 at 7:00 PM in the Administration Building. The Committee of the Whole meeting will be held virtually on May 28, 2020 at 6:00 PM. An agenda for the meeting will be readily available on the district's website.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Danielle Fairbanks

I move that the Board of Education of District #15 adjourn passed with a motion by Doris Martin and a second by Steve Winter.

Janet Byars: Yea, Erin Chadwick: Yea, Doris Martin: Yea, Lisa Pieper: Yea, Eric Trusty: Yea, Steve Winter: Yea, Jon Zimmerman: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Board Secretary/Superintendent

Date