

The Board of Education of Pana Community Unit School District #8 of the Counties of Christian, Shelby and Montgomery, Illinois met in Regular Session on Monday, July 19, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. in the Pana High School Library, 801 W 8th St, Pana, IL.

**Hearing called to Order/Roll Call**

President Kirkbride called the Hearing to order at 6:15 p.m. The following board members were present: Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Blackwell to adjourn the waiver hearing at 6:19pm.

Waiver Hearing  
Meeting Call to  
Order/Roll call

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Anderson, M. Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell.  
All aye, motion carried.

**Meeting called to Order/Roll Call**

President Kirkbride called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following board members were present: Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell

Meeting Call to  
Order/Roll call

**Approval of Submission of Waiver to Allow Less Than 110% of Per Capital Tuition Charge for Non-Resident Children of Full Time Employees of Pana CUSD #8**

Superintendent Bauer discussed that this is the last step of the hearing process and called for an official motion to approve the submission

A motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Dorn to approve the submission of the waiver to allow district to charge less than 110% of the per capita tuition charge for non-resident children of full-time employees of Pana CUSD #8.

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Anderson, M. Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell.  
All aye, motion carried.

Tuition Waiver

Roll Call

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Deere and seconded by Blackwell to approve the consent agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$560,615.80 and payroll totaling \$928,957.34 for a total of \$1,489,573.14.

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Roll Call

## **VISITORS**

Kevin McDonald, Tom Latonis, Susan McGrath, Rhonda Weideman (left at 6:42pm), Gina Osborn (Left at 6:42pm), Kevin Heid-Stifel (left at 7:02pm)

Gina Osborn and Rhonda Weideman were in attendance and took this time to address the board in reference to the Midfielder's Club. She referenced that they are getting ready to start the new year. They need about \$13,000 per year and said that with COVID they were not able to raise funds like normal. If the program was to continue if the school would be able to take over funding. It is getting harder and harder for participation in fundraising. They are concerned with the long term for funding. There are enough funds for this season but not the future as funds are about depleted. The club pays for everything from uniforms to salary. President Kirkbride asked what type of timeline we were looking at for a decision. Gina Osborn said we were ok for this year but definitely needed a plan by the end of the year.

MidFielder Club

Booster Organization Budgets were supplied by the various clubs and orgainiazations for the school to be approved for the upcoming year. Quarterback Club now has their own tax exempt status and are their own entity. They will not have to submit a budget. Superintendent Bauer called for a motion to approve the FY22 Booster Orgainization Budgets

Organization Budgets

A motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Moon to approve the FY22 Booster Organization Budgets.

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Facilities**

Superintendent Bauer, Mark Beyers and Jeff Stauder gave updates from the prior Facilities meetings (June 23, 2021 and July 15, 2021). Mr Beyers stated that they met with a few construction compainies and any would be a good fit for the new elementary building construction. Superintendent Bauer stated we heard from BLDD and they explained their services. It hasn't been approved yet, it has been sent to our legal council to be looked at and they gave some language changes that needs to be submitted back to BLDD. To make sure everything is in writing. It is also a good idea to get a construction manager involved. If there is a way to get the new elementary school without raising the taxes to the community, that is what we need to try and do. The elementary schools are approaching 100 years since built and we have done a great job maintaining. Jeff Stauder discussed that the damaged trees at the various buildings are in the processes of being taken down or trimmed. The gym floor is slated to be started on August 9, 2021. The sidewalk project is completed.

Next meeting Tuesday August 3, 2021

### **Finance**

Did not meet this month

Next meeting Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 6:30 am.

### **Curriculum Committee**

Did not meet this month

Next meeting - July 8, 2021 at 5:30pm

### **Policy Committee**

James Moon gave an update from the July 9, 2021 meeting. The June 2021 updates were gone over. Superintendent Bauer asked for a motion to approve the 1st reading of the June 2021 Policy Updates.

A motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Moon to approve the 1st reading of the June 2021 Policy Updates as presented at the policy committee meeting.

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

1st Reading of the  
June 2021 Policy  
Updates

Roll Call

Next meeting July 8, 2021 at 5:30pm

### **Pana Education Foundation**

Did Not Meet

Next meeting - Wednesday July 28th at 7:00 a.m. at the Unit Office.

### **Technology**

Did not meet this month.

Next meeting - Wednesday, October 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

### **Strategic Planning Committee**

Did not meet this month.

Next meeting - TBD

### **I.D.E.A.S. Committee**

Did not meet this month.

Next Meeting - Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **Principals -**

Building principals were not scheduled to be in attendance this month

### **Building and Transportation**

Jeff Stauder discussed the various projects going on throughout the district. The gym floor starts August 9th. The 2 new buses should be arriving soon and Safety Vision will be coming back to install cameras on these. They will also be coming back to fix things on the buses that need fixing for the cameras. The old buses we are selling will be going up for sealed bid. This seems to be the best course. We are fixing lights and floors are being waxed. A freezer went out at one of the schools and the best way to go is to replace the whole thing. The mechanic position is still the most pressing concern. There is only one application but would like to have this filled by the end of the week. We will send for extra training if

### **Curriculum and Instruction**

Paul Donahue was not in attendance but Superintendent Bauer let the board know his reports were available for review.

## **SUPERINTENDENT**

### **Milk, Bread, and Frozen Food Bids**

Superintendent Bauer went over the companies that won these bids. Prairie Farms won the milk bid, Aunt Millie's Bakeries won the bread bid. Frozen food and canned good bids were won by MJ Kellner and Kohl Wholesale. Superintendent Bauer asked for a motion to accept the Milk, Bread, and Frozen food bids.

Food Bids

A motion was made by Deere and seconded by Dorn to accept the Prairie Farms Milk, Juice, and Dairy Products Bid, Aunt Millie's Bakeries Bread Bid, and Mj Kellner and Kohl Wholesale Frozen Foods bids for the 2021-2022 school year.

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

### **Resolution authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Alternate Bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 pursuant to the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, for the purpose of improving the site of and building and equipping a new school building to replace the Washington Elementary and Lincoln Elementary School Buildings.**

Superintendent Bauer discussed the resolution and stated that this is the 1st step in authorizing the bond sale of \$7,000,000 for improving the site of and building and equipping a new building to replace the Washington Elementary and Lincoln Elementary School Buildings. He also discussed that the next steps would be publishing a notice of intent in the local newspaper and provide the BINA Hearing Notice. Superintendent Bauer called for a motion to approve the resolution.

Resolution General  
Obligation Alternate  
Bonds

A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Blackwell to approve the Resolution authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Alternate Bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 pursuant to the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, for the purpose of improving the site of and building and equipping a new school building to replace the Washington Elementary and Lincoln Elementary School Buildings.

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Review and Take Appropriate Action on the Resolution to Affirm Local Board Control of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year**

Superintendent Bauer discussed that we will have the ability to make decisions locally and will discuss in more detail after executive session and we believe that these decisions moving forward can best be made by the local school board members of this district, Pana CUSD #8. Superintendent Bauer called for a motion to approve the resolution to affirm Local Board Control of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Affirm Local Board  
Control COVID-19  
Mitigation Measures

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Beyers to approve the resolution to affirm Local Board Control of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year.

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Deere and seconded by Dorn to enter Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.

Executive Session

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Return to Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Beyers to return from the Executive Session to the Regular Meeting at 7:36 p.m. Executive Session was held for the purposes of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.

Return to Regular  
Meeting

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Approve executive session minutes**

A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Blackwell to approve executive session minutes as read in executive session.

Approve Executive  
Session

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Personnel Recommendations**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Blackwell to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as reviewed in executive session.

Personnel

ROLL CALL:Kirkbride, Anderson, Beyers, Deere, Dorn, Moon, and Blackwell All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

### **Communications**

- A. AIRSS
- B. Alliance Legislative Report
- C. Capitol Watch
- D. Other Board Correspondence

### **Board Member Considerations**

A brief discussion was held on the upcoming Joint Annual Conference to be held in Chicago from November 19-21, 2021.

A brief discussion was held on Board Self Evaluations slated for August 14, 2021 this discussion by stating he isn't a doctor or and epidemiologist or health care professional. Over the last year there was several motions made in anger and fear. As we look towards the next school year (2021-2022) he will be making the recommendation to the school board to continue to follow the CDC guidelines as it is toward mitigations. And make a recommendation to make wearing mask optional. The key is to make our students and staff safe and make sure that we do. Recommends to still use extensive cleaning. Continue to utilize social distancing. Recommend to work closely with the local health department to monitor the tranmission rates in our community and to make COVID testing available here at our schools with the Binax Now test. Masks will still be mandatory on the school bus as this falls under public transporation and we will have masks available for those that forget. There are a couple of questions still out that is hindering a finalized back to school plan. 1 being the quarantine rules and also what the governor is going to do on our requirements for remote learning. At this time there will not be remote learning at all. If we have to have something in place it will fall on the guidelines we had before COVID-19 or farm out to a 3rd party platform using ESSR funds. Follow CDC guidelines but we will not make masks mandatory and also that a Special Board meeting may be necessary as more information comes to light.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Anderson to adjourn the regular meeting of Monday, July 19, 2021 at 7:51 p.m. All aye, motion carried.

Adjourn

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Secretary

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President