

**Hillsdale County Intermediate School District
Board of Education Meeting
April 23, 2020 ~ 5:30 P.M.
DRAFT MINUTES**

Board Members Present: Brandes, Grossheim, Gutowski, Nye, Vanlerberg (arrived 5:34) Absent: --
HCISD Staff: Reehl, Svacha, Shaffer, Lawless
Guests: guests connected via Zoom

This meeting was conducted on Zoom.us and posted accordingly due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 2020-35. The meeting was open and all guests could access via a meeting ID and/or password.

CALL TO ORDER

President Laura Nye called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes, March 19, 2020, Regular Meeting
- B. Report on Investments
- C. Bills Payable

Gutowski/Brandes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: All Nays: None ***Carried***

COMMENTS FROM GUEST

There were no comments from guests.

OTHER BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

- A. Special Education Bus Purchase

The bus will be paid partially from grant funding. The HCISD's portion of the purchase is \$88,750.

Vanlerberg/Brandes to approve the purchase of a bus for the bid of \$117,320.

Ayes: All Nays: None ***Carried***

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Director Shaffer included a report in her board report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Reehl reported that there are many changes in the way we are educating students. We have received educational plans for all of the LEAs and have submitted them to the State. Revisions will come to the HCISD for approval but do not have to be resubmitted to the State. The superintendents are meeting weekly to continue work in special education, CTE, and EMC. Legislators are meeting to create an oversight committee: Schools should be prepared for fall and mid-year rollout due to COVID-19.

GENERAL EDUCATION

Stefanie Rathburn and Mindy Wilson provided a report in the board book.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Susanne Masters provided a report in the board book. Superintendent Reehl reported that the special education team is working diligently with students and families to make sure students are receiving interaction and education. Superintendent Reehl stated that Susanne is following up with the Hillsdale County Jail to be sure we are serving incarcerated students and young adults who received services prior.

HILLSDALE AREA CAREER CENTER

Jamie Mueller provided a report in the board book.

CLOSED SESSION FOR ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Brandes/Vanlerberg to convene to closed session at 5:58 pm for the purpose of attorney-client privilege.

Roll Call Vote: Grossheim, Gutowski, Nye, Vanlerberg, Brandes

Ayes: All Nays: None ***Carried***

Present in closed session: Board Members Laurie Brandes, Laura Nye, Scott Gutowski, Ron Grossheim, and Maxine Vanlerberg; Employees Reehl, Svacha, Shaffer, and Lawless; Attorneys

President Nye to convene to open session at 6:27 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

Brandes/Vanlerberg to accept the resignation of Susanne Masters as written (last day is June 30, 2020).

Roll Call Vote: Gutowski, Nye, Vanlerberg, Brandes, Grossheim Ayes: All Nays: None ***Carried***

GENERAL COMMENTS FROM GUESTS

There were no comments from guests.

Laurie Brandes thanked Mr. Reehl and staff for working diligently through the current situation with schools closures due to COVID-19.

ADJOURNMENT

Vanlerberg/Gutowski to adjourn at 6:30 PM

Ayes: All Nays: None ***Carried***

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Svacha