

VICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

September 14, 2020

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MINUTES

Members Present: Wil Emmert, David Schriemer, Dan Grabowski, Jennifer Buikema, Tina Forsyth, Carol Lohman, and Virgil Knowles

Members Absent: None

Board Secretary Amy Manchester

Administrators Present: Keevin O'Neill, Steve Goss, Gail VanDaff

Guests Present: A complete list of callers is on file with the minutes.

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I.A. Legislative Update

Supt. O'Neill reported SB5911 and 5912, regarding pupil count states that 75% of funding will be based last year's count and 25% will use this year's count for funding. The district is hoping to have a final number for the foundation amount very soon. Recertification meetings will be required each month. In addition to the learning the plan, the health department will also be involved with key metrics, positive tests, hospital capacity, etc.

Student attendance will look different this year with virtual learning. The 180 day requirement is still required along with corresponding student hours. Additional guidance is expected once the school year is in full swing.

Fall sports have started. The band season has also started. The District has been meeting with the health department regarding spectators at events. At this time, the executive order does not allow for more than two spectators per student.

II. REPORTS AND PUBLIC INQUIRY

II.A. Budget and Finance Report - Steve Goss

Asst. Supt. Goss presented the monthly budget progress report for month ending August 31, 2020 showing total revenues of 184,833; total expenditures of 1,022,823 and deficiency of revenues over expenditures of \$(837,990).

There will be a lot of budget uncertainty for this upcoming year until a final number is received. Fortunately, the budget situation is more stable than expected.

II.A.1. Bond Update

Asst. Supt. Goss reported this summer's bond projects are largely complete and down to some punch list items. A tremendous amount of planning and design work is in process for next summer including the mechanical upgrades (air conditioning).

II.B. Audience

The board accepted several phone calls from the audience regarding non agenda items.

III. BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

III.A. Approval of the following Board Meeting Minutes

A motion for approval was made by Emmert and supported by Lohman.

Motion passed unanimously.

III.A.1. August 10, 2020 - Regular Board Meeting Minutes

III.A.2. August 13, 2020 - Special Board Meeting Minutes

III.B. Approval of the Following General Fund Invoices for the Month of August Totaling \$1,147,560.16 - ROLL CALL VOTE:

A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Grabowski.

Motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

III.C. Approval of Payment of Purchase Card Disbursements for August 2020 in the Amount of \$74,517.94 - ROLL CALL VOTE:

A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Buikema. Motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

III.D. Approval of Resolution to Grant Emergency Powers to the Superintendent During the 2020-2021 School Year – ROLL CALL VOTE:

A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth. Motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

III.E. Approval of Following Teacher Contracts Upon Results of State and Federal Record and Unprofessional Conduct Checks:

A motion for approval was made by Grabowski and supported by Lohman. Motion passed unanimously.

III.E.1. Ron Markel - HS Math Teacher, MA Step 11

III.E.2. Hugh Thiel - MS Math Teacher, BA Step 1

III.F. 1st Reading Approval of the Following Revised or New Bylaws/Policies - ROLL CALL VOTE:

A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Emmert. Motion passed unanimously by roll-call vote.

III.F.1. PO 4362.01 - Threatening Behavior

III.F.2. PO 2266 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in District Programs or Activities - NEW

III.F.3. PO 5517.02 - Sexual Violence - RESCIND (replace with PO 2266)

III.F.4. PO 8450.01 - Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic Events

III.G. Approval of FMLA Request for Rachel Higgins-Bernhardt, SL Speech Teacher, for twelve weeks to begin approximately November 19 and ending approximately February 24, 2021.

A motion for approval was made by Lohman and supported by Forsyth. Motion passed unanimously.

III.H. Approval of Resignation of VMS English Teacher, Joseph Lukowski, effective immediately.

A motion for approval was made by Forsyth and supported by Lohman. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Knowles adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

President Virgil Knowles

October 12, 2020

Secretary Amy Manchester