

Board Meeting 05/18/2020

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REGULAR SESSION

1. Jordan called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Rich Padgett; Director, Jordan Hill; President, Lou Fort; Vice-President, Jenny Byrd; Secretary, Leigh Ann Tusing; Teacher Rep, Courtney Brucken-Huckelby; Paren Rep, FoOE Rep; Heather McCandless, Teacher Rep (Remotely), Sherryl Osgatharp; FoOE Rep, absent.
2. A Quorum was established and the Pledge of Allegiance was said
3. An amendment to the agenda was made to include a spot to schedule an executive meeting.

Lou made the motion, Jenny seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

4. No Public Participation
5. No Donations
6. Consent Agenda
  - a. Regular meeting minutes for 4/20/20 were accepted
  - b. No Resignations
  - c. No New Hires
  - d. Accepted Financial Reports

Leigh Ann made the motion to accept, Courtney seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

7. No Old Business
8. New Business
  - a. Consideration of floor project with scope and cost-driving the process as well as approval from the landlord (FoOE).

Jenny made the motion, Leigh Ann seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- b. Permission to seek quotes for an industrial oven for the kitchen

Lou made the motion, Jenny seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- c. Permission to seek quotes for an additional freezer for the kitchen.

Courtney made the motion, Lou seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

9. An executive meeting scheduled for after our next regularly scheduled board meeting on 6/15/20.

Lou made the motion, Jenny seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

10. No public Participation
11. Director Comments/Updates

- a. Heather McCandless has served her term as a teacher rep on the board, and Ashlynn Hoffman will be joining Leigh Ann Tusing as teacher representatives.
  - i. June is the last month of Heather's term.
  - ii. July will be the beginning of Ashlynn's term.
- b. Rock is outside; the weather hasn't permitted spreading it yet.
- c. Report card pick up will be the evening of the 26th.
- d. End of year awards
- e. Wanting to have a 5th grade and Kindergarten graduation.
  - i. Preschool will be having one in the church like they did last year
- f. Pea Gravel and Pavers are in and ready to be laid/placed in order to connect the two smaller playground areas
- g. Wanting to take a look at a stone walkway/pavers to connect the larger playground area
- h. Applied for a small school grant last Thursday
- i. Starting to look at the 2020-2021 school year opening
  - i. Delayed?
  - ii. On-time?
  - iii. Regular opening w/stipulations?
  - iv. Virtual vs. in person?
  - v. Will there be specific cleaning/sanitizing routines in place?
- j. The transition from Rediker to Powerschool will have taken place
  - i. The state will NOT let anyone in for cleaning until after June 30th
- k. Still looking into having a mobile library
- l. Grades/Promotion; the staff has decided not to retain any children this year considering
- m. Wacky Wednesday will continue
  - i. Anticipate this is where we will be able to make up some of the lost time
- n. Could possibly do a 2-week "Jumpstart" program for children
- o. Projected enrollment of 105 children for the 2020-2021 school year at this time
- p. Will be conservative with funding for the upcoming school year
- q. Considered annual teacher stipends vs. % pay raises
- r. Ordered 30 new Chromebooks
- s. Considered starting a fee for Chromebooks/IPADS in the 2nd grade
  - i. The student would then keep said device throughout their school experience and take with them when they complete the 5th grade.

## 12. Board Comments

- a. The next meeting is scheduled for June 15th at 6 p.m.
- b. We will have an executive meeting afterward to discuss teacher contract renewals
- c. Jordan filled everyone in on his personal career options
  - i. He may or may not be able to stay involved--tentative

## 13. Adjournment

Leigh Ann motioned to adjourn at 6:45 pm, Courtney seconded and the motion passed unanimously.