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November 20th, 2024 OMA School Board Meeting Minutes

REGULAR SESSION

1. Meeting called at 6:05 to order and roll call presented with Jordan Hill, Rich Padgett, Sherryl Osgatharp, Star Riker, Travis Troutman, and Danielle Houtsch present.
2. Quorum established and Pledge of Allegiance recited.
3. Amendments to the agenda made by Travis Troutman:

Jordan motioned to approve, Sherryl seconded, motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Participation: None, Kevin Davis present
5. Donations: None
6. Consent Agenda
 - Board Minutes: Regular Session October 25th, 2024.
 - Resignations: none
 - New Hires: Shondale Campbell – cafeteria, Samantha Huddlestun cafeteria & cleaning
 - Mileage Claims: none
 - Approved leave request: none
 - Accept Financial report for October 2024

Danielle motioned to approve, Jordan seconded, motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Expansion plans/building design: **UPDATE**
 - Spring application for a grant (Indiana Center for Innovation?)
 - Continually ongoing and currently tabled until further information is available
8. Insurance Review
 - Change to insurance with August Uebelhor due to improved coverage, local coverage, and cheaper than current.

Travis motioned to approve, Sherryl seconded, motion carried unanimously.

9. Title 1 program
 - Exit interview on 12/4/24
 - Review due on 11/25/24
 - In corrective action phase

NEW BUSINESS

10. Insurance Review: marked off, extra
11. School app possibilities

- \$5,000 per year for app, provides a lot of information
 - Tabled until further information
12. Pay-out of unused sick time
- Tabled for now, moved to old business
 - Discussed switching to PTO instead of sick pay
13. Replace of hot water heaters and hot water repairs
- \$2,700
 - At the end of life of water heaters will need replaced

Danielle motioned to approve, Sherryl seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

14. Charter school network membership
- \$1,500.00

Sherryl motion to approve, Jordan seconded, motion carried unanimously.

15. Bus replacement process
- Permission to explore mor information
 - Possibility of a lease for 5 years

Danielle motioned to approve, Jordan seconded, motion carried unanimously.

16. Open Item- Social Media Concerns
- Travis addressed the board about recent Facebook posts and email from a concerned teacher.
 - Jordan spoke regarding concern and said posts are now off of social media.
 - Other board members voiced that they felt he had the good of the board and school in mind and we weren't concerned about his ability to lead the board and his choices towards improving the school.

No motions/changes made.

Notes:

17. Director Comments/updates
- Webinar on October 30th for common school fund update
 - SBOA audit with Donovan's exit conference call on December 4th, 2024
 - Title Audit by 11/25/24
 - Christmas Program December 11th @ 6 pm
 - Phone contract coming up soon
 - Handle with care
 - State program
 - Waiver for paraprofessional approved
 - Considered highly qualified aides
18. Board Comments
- Update lice policy within handbook to follow current guidelines

- Send home a box of treatment with students and educate them on what all needs to be completed.
- Cathy had contract of “x amount”, divided evenly and was paid for time worked, no money withheld from being employee.

19. Adjournment at 7:58 pm

Sherryl motioned to approve, Danielle seconded, motion carried unanimously.