Wolverine Community Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting August 11th 2021

The regular meeting of the Wolverine Community Schools Board of Education was convened on Wednesday, August 11th, in the MSHS gym conference room. Board President Brado called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. in the midst of a power outage.

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT:

Sloan, Poznanski, Dunham, Ashenfelter, Hill-Scheffler, Brado

ABSENT:

Stafford

ROLL CALL

The Board approved the agenda with the following addition under *H. New Business:* Radio Ad School/Choice. All present aye, none opposed.

AGENDA

The Board pledged Allegiance to the Flag and observed a moment of silence in preparation for school decisions that must be acted upon for the children, staff and our school.

ALLEGIANCE/ SILENCE

Finance Director Vizina reported on our foundation allowance and payroll/C.O.P.

FINANCE REPORT

Consent Agenda:

✓ Payment of bills \$320,562.08 (summary attached)

CONSENT AGENDA

✓ Approval of 7/14/21 Board Minutes

Motion was made by Hill-Scheffler with a second by Sloan to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll call: All present yes, none opposed. Motion carried. Note: Agenda items were addressed and voted upon out of order due to the power

failure.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

<u>Public Comment</u>: Supt. Baughman presented the Channel 7 & 4 news segment on Mrs. Hanel's 'On-/Boarding' program which entails student hands-on learning/building and putting to use their own skateboards, paddleboards and snowboards.

There was no Transportation Director update.

A.D. Director Matt Bolinger gave a detailed report on upcoming school year athletics and an update on MHSAA guidelines and recommendations. He also informed the Board of the list of coaches for approval.

A.D. REPORT

<u>Board Comment</u>: Supt. Baughman introduced **Dorothy Murray** as candidate for the secondary math position. She is currently qualified in secondary science but is willing to be math certified; contract offer amount: \$43,908, side letter of agreement. Motion by Brado seconded by Sloan to hire Ms. Murray as secondary math teacher. Roll call: All present yes, none opposed. Motion passed

BOARD COMMENT

MATH HIRE

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Elementary Principal Olds introduced Laura Marpenbrok as candidate for the elementary 'Specials' teacher position. Member Hill-Scheffler made the motion with support by member Brado to approve the hire. Roll call: All present yes, none opposed. Motion carried.

ELEM. 'SPECIALS' HIRE

Superintendent introduced **Christi Cross** as candidate for the special ed teaching position. Although her certification lapsed in 2016, the Welcome Back MI Educator waivers will allow WCS to renew her certification and waive all PD requirements. Additionally, Mrs. Cross is not currently endorsed for SpEd, but the state is offering a \$15,000 grant for which our school qualifies. Mrs. Cross will pay the remainder

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(Special Ed hire continued . . .) of her Master's in SpEd; contract amount \$46,837, single-payer insurance, side letter of agreement. Motion by Brado second by Hill-Scheffler to approve the hire. Roll call: All present yes, none opposed. Motion carried.

Also under the board comment section—COVID cleaning concerns, absence of Transportation Director at meeting, bus inquiry

BOARD COMMENT

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Facilities update—Superintendent, engineer, architect and building committee have narrowed down priorities; will meet Monday to prepare recommendations to the full board
- B. Roof project—Wolgast made the recommendation to accept the bid of Versatile Roofing Systems in the amount of \$172,270 and includes the voluntary alternate deduct for awarding both schools. Brado made the motion to accept with support by Ashenfelter. Roll call: All present yes, none opposed. Motion carried.

FACILITIES REPORT

VERSATILE ROOF BID APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Math hire under Board Comments
- B. Motion by Hill-Scheffler to fund some or all of teacher Steve Evoy's \$3600 debt to *Teachers of Tomorrow* in order for him to attain full licensure in the state. Motion was supported by Dunham. Superintendent will negotiate a letter of agreement on not setting precedent. Roll call: Poznanski yes, Sloan yes, Ashenfelter no, Dunham yes, Brado yes, Hill-Scheffler yes, (Stafford absent). Five yes, 1 no vote; motion carried.

EVOY REIMBURSE-MENT COURSEWORK

- C. Special Ed hire under Board Comments
- D. Covid Plan discussed (attached)
- E. Board discussion on hiring Building Secretary to assist with super-intendent, administrative and office duties. Hill-Scheffler made the motion to accept a building secretary hire with support by Sloan. Prospective hire will be a school-term employee at first-year building secretary salary. Roll call: Hill-Scheffler yes, Dunham no, Ashenfelter yes, Poznanski yes, Sloan yes, Brado yes, (Stafford absent). Five yes, 1 no vote; motion carried.

BLDG. SECRETARY APPROVED

F. Superintendent/MS-HS Principal Baughman and Elementary Principal Olds reported on student handbook changes. Brado made the motion to accept the *ms/hs* handbook changes, as presented, with support by Poznanski. And Poznanski made the motion, seconded by Brado, to accept the *elementary* handbook changes as presented. Roll call to accept: All present yes, none opposed. Motion passed. (attachments)

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NEW BUSINESS (continued

G. Member Hill-Scheffler made a motion with support by member Brado to approve the A.D.'s recommendations for coaches for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call: Poznanski yes, Dunham abstain, Sloan yes, Brado yes, Ashenfelter yes, Hill-Scheffler yes, (Stafford absent). Four yes, one abstention. Motion carried.

COACHES HIRED

H. Motion by Hill-Scheffler seconded by Sloan to approve WCS radio ads for School of Choice at \$675/week for a period of two weeks. Roll call: All yes, none opposed. Motion passed.

RADIO ADS

Elementary Principal Heather Olds gave her report which included activities that concluded the summer program

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Superintendent Matthew Baughman gave his report.

SUPT. REPORT

At this juncture, member Hill-Scheffler exited the meeting.

Member Sloan made a motion to go into closed session at 9:03 p.m., seconded by member Dunham, to discuss support staff contract negotiations. Roll call: All present yes (Hill-Scheffler and Stafford absent), none opposed. Motion carried,

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Brado motioned to reconvene to open session at 9:34 p.m. with support by Dunham. Roll call: All present yes (Stafford, Hill-Scheffler absent), none opposed. Motion carried.

RECONVENE

Motion by Sloan, seconded by Brado to accept a two-year contract with support staff which includes 2 per cent/ per year, single h & v, pay adjustment for one employee. **(copy attached).** Roll call: All present yes (Stafford, Hill-Scheffler absent), none opposed, Motion carried.

SUPPORT STAFF CONTRACT

There being no further business, motion was made by Dunham with support by Poznanski to adjourn. All aye, none opposed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

ADJOURN-MENT

Board Secretary