

North Boone Community Unit School District No. 200

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education

District Office

6248 North Boone School Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Joe Haverly.

Present: President Joe Haverly, Vice President Tom Kinser, Secretary Mary Maxey, Brian Haselhorst, Lisa Leden, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to approve the Agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

(none)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Geyman stated the Treasurer's report was as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Greenlee said there will be a Facilities meeting on March 10, 2021, and they will be getting uninvent quotes for CES and MES. The Facilities Department is also working with NICOR and Com Ed on a mechanical audit of our systems in an effort offset some of our energy costs.

Mr. Rudolph is working with the e-rate representative to upgrade fiber from the Middle School to other buildings on campus. The upgrade would be to 10G, along with the upgrading of switches. They will be bringing this to the Board in March, as it is time sensitive.

Dr. Greenlee said the Illinois pension code has changed for TRS, and we will be required to offer a 457(b) plan. Ms. Geyman said a resolution will need to be passed by March 31, 2021.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

Mrs. Maxey said a meeting was held on February 10, 2021 at 3:30 p.m., and there are policies on the agenda tonight.

Business Services Committee

Mr. Kinser said the Business Services meeting was held on February 10, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. and they discussed budget considerations, fund transfers, student fees, transportation routes, and Prairie State Insurance.

Facility/Long Range Planning Committee

Mr. Mulholland stated the next Facilities Committee meeting will be held March 10, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee

Mr. Rudy said the next CIA Committee is scheduled for March 10, 2021 at 3:45 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting January 19, 2021
- B. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/ End Date
1. Certified - FMLA				
HS/MS	Jason Geiger	Spanish Teacher	N/A	Intermittent leave 2/8/21 – 12/31/21
MES	Richard Williams	PE Teacher	N/A	3/23/21 – 5/28/21
PGE	Tracy Schabacker	4 th Grade Teacher	N/A	2/22/21 – 3/26/21
2. Certified – Resignation				
NBUE	Elise Olson	Special Education Teacher	N/A	End of 2020-2021 School Year
3. Non-Certified – Leave of Absence				
District	Nancy Peterson	Bus Driver	N/A	2/19/21 for approximately 4-6 weeks

- C. First Reading of Policies
- D. Acceptance of Audit Proposal

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Truck Purchases

As part of the transportation rotation, it was recommended to replace the O&M van and purchase two pickup trucks. Two local Ford dealerships provided prices and a state bid was obtained. It was recommended to approve the purchase of (2) 2021 Ford 250 Pickup truck from The Rock River Block for a total of \$70,740.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the purchase of (2) 2021 Ford 250 Pickup truck from The Rock River Block for a total of \$70,740.

Ayes: Mr. Haverly, Mr. Kinser, Mrs. Leden, Mrs. Maxey, Mr. Mulholland and Mr. Rudy
Nays: none

Abstain: Mr. Haselhorst

The motion passed 6-0 with one abstention.

B. Technology Plan

Mrs. Neri presented an overview of the plan. She covered the purpose, timeline and specifics of the five-year plan. Mrs. Neri stated the plan was built by district and school administration with teachers providing input on specific components, followed by vetting through the Curriculum Committee. She described the planning, implementation, monitoring and reviewing stages. Mrs. Neri said two MS teachers are presenting at the next CIA Committee showing how they use Schoology in their classroom. One elementary teacher will also present on how they use Google Classroom.

Mr. Mulholland said he was looking for measureable goals, and the ROI expectations. He stated there has to be an expectation that we will get better with technology. He feels like that is missing from the plan and encourages everyone to set a lofty goal and try to attain. Mrs. Neri said technology is just one thing that can attribute to success.

C. Fund Transfer Hearing Date

Ms. Geyman recommended setting a hearing date for Transfer of money from Education to Operations and Maintenance for Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Kinser to set the hearing date for Transfer of Money from Education to Operations and Maintenance for Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

D. Prairie State Insurance

Ms. Geyman stated PSIC has provided property/liability and workman's comp insurance for North Boone under a cooperative model since 2011-2012. She noted we currently have about \$122,000 in equity, and have been refunded \$51,200 during our time in the cooperative. Ms. Geyman stated if North Boone would like to withdraw from the Cooperative, it must do so with an official resolution prior to the end of February. Ms. Geyman confirmed we would lose our equity if we leave. Some Board members did not like the business model and were not in support of renewing. Ms. Geyman will investigate options for next year.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to approve the participation in the PSIC for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Haverly, Mrs. Leden, Mrs. Maxey, Mr. Mulholland and Mr. Rudy

Nays: Mr. Haselhorst and Mr. Kinser

The motion passed 5-2.

NEW BUSINESS

A. **February 2021 Bills**

A motion was made by Mr. Kinser and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to approve the February bills as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

B. **Plans for the Remainder of 2021**

Dr. Greenlee noted the return of students went smoothly. He thanked the building and District staff for their efforts. He stated now that the positivity rates were down and the first round of vaccines were administered, they are exploring bringing back more students for in-person instruction after the second vaccination. They are addressing needs for struggling students by offering summer school, along with other ideas for K-12 students. Mrs. Neri said at the K-4 level, they are virtually supporting struggling students on Monday mornings. On Wednesday mornings at the UE and MS teachers provide intervention and support for students. Both the UE and MS have intervention study halls, and are also looking at after school support, which will focus on skill building and content from first semester. For grades 9-12, teachers are offering re-assessment opportunities and project deadline extensions.

Summer School is planned for June 9th-30th from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. They are investigating learning camps for K-4, and there are possibilities to partner with the Discovery Center and Scholastic. For grades 5-8 they are looking into content-based recovery, and grades 9-12 may offer in-house credit recovery for 3-4 courses.

At this time, there are no plans to cancel spring break or to take a pause after break.

C. **Approval of Registration Fees 2021-2022**

It was recommended that the Board continue to retain the same rates for registration fees, but pause for the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Geyman noted the parking fee was up for discussion due to lack of student parking space. The Board decided to remove the parking fee for the time being.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to waive the 2021-2022 registration fees with the exception of the replacement agenda and replacement gym uniform.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

D. **Approval of 2021-2022 Lunch and A La Carte Prices**

It was recommended that the Board continue to retain the same lunch prices for the 2021-2022 school year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to approve the Lunch and A La Carte Prices for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

E. Approval of 2021-2022 Transportation Fees

It was recommended that the Board continue to retain the Transportation Fees for the 2021-2022 school year. The Board elected to table the topic until more information is received about reimbursement and routes.

F. Approval of 2021-2022 School Calendar

The school calendar was presented for approval. Input was received by union members and Administration. Mr. Kinser preferred to start after Labor Day. The Board elected to table this topic.

G. Policy 7:60

Dr. Greenlee had been approached about a tax bill offsetting tuition. Mr. Mulholland asked if a family paid enough in farmland taxes, if we would allow that to offset out of district tuition. The Policy Committee did not have any reservations. The Board advised Dr. Greenlee to get sample language from legal counsel. The topic will be revisited once information has been received from our attorney.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 8:28 p.m. by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired; security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property or other matters provided for pursuant to §2(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

The following members were present: Brian Haselhorst, Joe Haverly, Tom Kinser, Lisa Leden, Mary Maxey, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy. Also present: Dr. Greenlee and Melissa Geyman.

Dr. Greenlee and Ms. Geyman left Executive Session at 9:05 p.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education and NBEA as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education and NBESS as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment
- B. Student Activity Reports
- C. FOIA Log

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.
The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT _____

SECRETARY _____

APPROVED: