MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MACOMB C.U.S.D. #185
JUNE 15, 2020

Following the public hearing on the 2019-2020 amended budget, Board President Jill Myers called the regular meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Roll was taken with the following members present via Microsoft Teams: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad.

Ms. Myers announced the Reception of Visitors and gave the call-in number for those watching the meeting streaming on Macomb 185 Schools Facebook. There were no calls from individuals wishing to address the Board.

Dr. Twomey recognized the following individuals who retired from the District: Paula Blythe, Marcia Brown, Susan Gamage, Shelley Glaser, Lynn Jacobs, Kelle Kelso, Shari Paisley, Lynnette Roberts, Mike Roberts, Kelly Sears, Tim Smith, and Kris Thropp.

Dr. Twomey presented the following information:

- Construction Update
  - Edison – Cafeteria space is almost done. There is a concrete patio space outside the cafeteria and the walls for the reading center are up.
  - Middle School – planning has been delayed due to Covid-19 restrictions. The project bid may be ready by early fall with construction to begin mid to late winter. There has been no news on the infrastructure grant application.

- District Update: District administrators are in the midst of a three day retreat. The focus is on planning for the start-up of school in August. The team developed three plans: full open with 100% face to face instruction, 100% online instruction, and a hybrid of face to face and online instruction. A survey was sent to all District families and staff to gather feedback on return to school. The response rate was close to 50% for families and about 70% for staff. Results were mixed, ranging from having students back in school full time to continuing with online instruction. Some expressed opposition to students having to wear masks. Board members stressed the importance of keeping in mind the survey results may not reflect input from the full spectrum of families in the District. It was also suggested that a report on the 4th quarter be done and presented to the community and the Board.

- Transportation Bid: The bid process is complete, but there was only one bid submitted and that bid was from Durham. Dr. Twomey advised there is discussion ongoing about routes and other aspects of the bid.

- School Resource Officer: The SRO contract will renew for the 2020-2021 school year.

- Spotlight: Dr. Twomey commended the entire faculty, staff, and administration team for their hard work and collaborative efforts through the end of the school year and as we look toward the next year. He emphasized the efforts made by parents who took on direct supervision of their children’s learning through the online instruction, in addition to working and all of the other responsibilities of home and family.

Member Torrance moved, and member Kapale seconded, to approve as presented the Consent Calendar, which included: Minutes from the May 18, 2020 regular Board meeting, Treasurer’s Report,

Member Torrance moved, and member Gray seconded, to approve and hold indefinitely the minutes from the closed meeting held during the May 18, 2020 regular meeting. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Adams moved, and member Kapale seconded, to approve personnel recommendations as follows:

Certificated Staff:

Employment:
- **David Bartlett**, Part time Teacher Evaluator, Macomb CUSD, 90 days, effective August 17, 2020.
- **Ethan Kunkel**, Science Teacher, Macomb Senior High School, to be placed at Step 3, Bachelor Degree, on the salary schedule, effective August 17, 2020 (replaces Johnson/Thropp).
- **Kris Thrapp**, Part Time Math Teacher, Macomb Senior High School, to be placed at Step 10, Master’s Degree on the salary schedule, effective August 17, 2020 (replaces Thrapp).

Educational Support Staff:

Resignation:

Change in Assignment:
- **Matthew Joles**, was Maintenance worker, now Maintenance Supervisor, to begin duties June 15, 2020, 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week. Beginning July 1, 2020, he will move to an annual salary, 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week (replaces T. Smith).

Employment:
- **Joe Blakeman**, Grounds Supervisor, Macomb CUSD, to begin duties June 15, 2020, 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week. Beginning July 1, 2020, he will move to an annual salary, 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week (new position).

Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Members of the Board Policy Committee reported on the committee’s June 10, 2020 meeting. Member La Prad advised the revisions were mostly related to the five year review and footnote updates. Member Myers noted the chain of command policy had been updated and will be reviewed/updated yearly going forward. The Board conducted first reading on proposed changes to the following Board policies, administrative procedures and exhibits:

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Second reading will be held at the next regular meeting.

Member Adams moved, and member Gray seconded, to approve the amended 2019-2020 budget as presented. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member La Prad seconded, to approve renewal of the food service contract with ARAMARK Food Service effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Gray moved, and member Kapale seconded, to approve Lincoln Elementary School as a school-wide Title I program. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Gray moved, and member Adams seconded, to adopt a resolution designating hazardous areas in the school district for the 2020-2021 school year, as designated by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Thompson moved, and member Myers seconded, to adopt a resolution designating depositories for the 2020-2021 school year, as recommended by the District Treasurer. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Adams moved, and member Myers seconded, to re-establish revolving funds for the 2020-2021 school year, as recommended by the District Treasurer. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Adams moved, and member Torrance seconded, to appoint Elizabeth Beck as Treasurer and Lisa Mooney as Assistant Treasurer through June 30, 2021. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Gray moved, and member Myers seconded, to approve the calendar of regular Board meeting dates through June 30, 2021. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Myers moved, and member Gray seconded, to approve proposed overnight trips for the 2020-2021 school year. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Member Torrance moved, and member Kapale seconded, to declare as surplus for sale or disposal the following items: 1-9 Wenger 4-step riser with railing; 1 – acoustic piano with bench; and, 1 – Yamaha Electric Clavinova Keyboard and bench. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.
Member Thompson moved, and member Torrance seconded, to declare as surplus for sale or disposal items listed on the 2020 Auto Mechanic/Shop Surplus report. Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

At 8:04 p.m., member Thompson moved, and member Gray seconded, to hold a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), collective negotiating matters, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), the purchase or lease of real property, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), student discipline, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), and pending or imminent litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). Members voting “yes”: Kapale, Gray, Adams, Torrance, Myers, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none. Motion carried.

Board President Myers announced the next regular meeting of the Board would take place Monday, July 20, 2020, and that there would be no action taken following the closed meeting other than adjournment.

The Board returned to open session at 9:33 p.m.

Member Thompson moved, and member Adams seconded, to adjourn at 9:34 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.