

MEMPHIS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
34110 BORDMAN RD, MEMPHIS, MI 48041
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES – Regular Meeting
Monday, May 18, 2020 7:00 PM
Teleconference

The regular meeting of the Memphis Community Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, May 18, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., via Teleconference.

The meeting was called to order by President, Dave Rhein, at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Rhein, Chris Paré, Karyn McCue, Marty Cook, Audrey O'Connor, Amanda Bobcean, Susan Durst

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA:

On a motion by O'Connor, supported by Paré, to adopt the agenda for the May 18, 2020, regular board meeting, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean – Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) **Nays:** (0) **Motion Carried**

REGISTRATION OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Under consent agenda you are approving the minutes from the regular meeting on April 27, 2020, as presented.

You are also approving General Fund bills in the amount of \$133,394.00 and AP Payroll checks in the amount of \$8,689.25 for a total of \$142,083.25 with checks numbered 65086 through 65123, and ACH Transfers in the amount of \$203,981.76 for a total of \$346,065.01 and no checks voided, and additional bills in the amount of \$214,952.51 with checks numbered 65124 through 65126, and no checks voided.

Personnel: None

On a motion by Cook, supported by Paré, to approve the items under consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: D. Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean – Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) **Nays:** (0) **Motion Carried**

REPORTS:

Dr. Kevin Miller, St. Clair County RESA Superintendent, presented Budget for 2020-21. Board received proposed budget for review in April. Payroll and HR Services continue for Memphis. Dr. Miller discussed with the Board the upcoming cuts to school budget due to the Pandemic. D. Rhein ~ Memphis had a good Fund Balance going into Pandemic.

On a motion by O'Connor, supported by Bobcean, to approve the Proposed RESA Budget for 2020-21, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

See Board Link for detailed reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Loretta DeLong ~ Tenure

On a motion by Rhein, supported by Bobcean, to grant Tenure for Loretta DeLong, Art Teacher, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

B. Neola Policies ~ Updates through Spring, 2020, 1st Reading

On a motion by O'Connor, supported by Bobcean, to approve the 1st Reading of Neola Policies, Updates through Spring 2020, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

C. Emergency Operations Plan

On a motion by Rhein, supported by Paré, to approve the Emergency Operations Plan, as presented.

On an amended motion by Rhein, supported by Paré, to change phone number of fire department to 911 on page 17.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

D. Maintenance Projects

On a motion by Cook, supported by Bobcean, to use Sinking Fund dollars to make repairs up to \$18,000 for parking lot and up to \$15,000 for roof repairs, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

Elementary Gym Floor ~ Discussion

On a motion by McCue, supported by O'Connor, to approve maintenance to Elementary Gym Floor, not to exceed \$12,000 spread over 2 years, as long as sinking fund permits and to not take away from \$50,000 for Technology.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - No, Paré - No, McCue - No, Cook - No, O'Connor - No, Bobcean - No, Durst - No

Ayes: All (0) Nays: (7) Motion Failed

E. Legal Consultation Discussion

Brad Gudme and the Board discussed the school district's Legal services from St. Clair County RESA, THRUN Law Firm and Miller Canfield. District pays fee to RESA for legal counsel and THRUN Law Firm is paid a retainer which includes election information, language needed for resolutions, sinking fund and some contract language support. Also included are monthly School Law Notes.

F. MEA Calendar 2020-21

On a motion by Paré, supported by Bobcean, to approve the MEA Calendar for 2020-21, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

G. MEA Contract 2020-21 through 2021-22

On a motion by Rhein, supported by McCue, to approve the MEA Contract for 2020-21 through 2021-22, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: All (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS: Amazing staff with good support from Administration with online learning. Wellness Wednesday is a small token of appreciation for all staff and families for their hard work and efforts promoting a restful day to relax without any work. Memphis is one of two districts in the county with a good fund balance going into Pandemic. Thank you to the Board for supporting school budget. In August or September more numbers for school budget should be available. It isn't known yet if there will be a pro-ration for the 19-20 school budget.

BOARD ROUND TABLE: K. McCue ~ Great job that are teaching are doing! Kudos to our Education Team and Maintenance for taking care of things.

C. Cook ~ Who directed Board to send letter that was emailed to Matt? Would like to see focus on Professional Development. A. O'Connor ~ Would like to see Strategic Plan back on agenda. B. Gudme ~

Susan Hankins applied for the State Return to Learn Task Force. Brad and Susan will be on the County level team. **A. Bobcean** ~ Memphis is lucky to have staff with unique styles of teaching and it's great to have understanding staff. Thank you for awesome job everyone is doing! **S. Durst** ~ Great job that the teachers are doing!

D. Rhein ~ Announced to community listening to teleconference meeting that the Board will go out of Open Meeting and into Closed Meeting for discussion only and will go back into Open Meeting again afterwards.

CLOSED SESSION:

On a motion by Cook, supported by Bobcean, to go into closed session at 9:16 p.m., in accordance with the "Open Meetings Act", Act 267 1976, for the purpose of Personnel Administrative Evaluation, per Section A.

Roll Call - Attendance

Mr. Rhein, Mr. Pare', Mrs. McCue, Mr. Cook, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. Bobcean, Mrs. Durst

All present

Ayes: (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried:

After leaving closed meeting link and re-entering open meeting link at 10:05 p.m.

Roll Call - Attendance

Mr. Rhein, Mr. Pare', Mrs. McCue, Mr. Cook, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. Bobcean, Mrs. Durst

All present

No action taken.

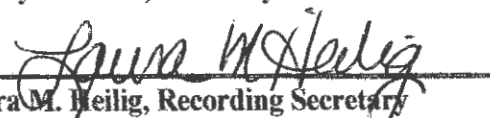
ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Durst, supported by Bobcean, to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Rhein - Yes, Paré - Yes, McCue - Yes, Cook - Yes, O'Connor - Yes, Bobcean - Yes, Durst - Yes

Ayes: (7) Nays: (0) Motion Carried


Karyn McCue, Secretary


Laura M. Heilig, Recording Secretary