

HERMANTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Minutes: November 12, 2019

The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700 met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, at the Administration Board Room. Chair, Dianne Mathews, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Karly Madill, Dianne Mathews, Tim Peterson, Aaron Salmela, Jonathan Thornton, and Ex-officio Member Kerry Juntunen, Superintendent, and Lance Takkunen, Director of Business Services. Absent: Gary Kneisl.

Visitors: Jenny Wiese, John Muenich, Mike Pothast, Mike Zagelmeyer, and Mark Thorsten.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Madill to approve the amended agenda with the following additions, deletions, or corrections: Add under Consent Agenda: Resignation of Terrance Harte as Paraprofessional and Lateral Work Design to post position. Remove Agenda Item XVI. Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing Negotiations Strategies and Item XVII. Reopen Meeting to the Public. Passed Unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- Approve Minutes of Board Meeting dated October 28, 2019.
- Approve and authorize payment of check #4456, audited vouchers #103400-103512 and voided check #103360.
- Approval of Personnel Items
 - Resignation of Conrad Evans as Janitor and Lateral Work Design to post position.
 - Lateral Work Design for 3.5 hr/day ECSE Paraprofessional.
 - New Position Request for 2 hr/ day Food Service Worker.
 - New Position Request for Community Education Marketing Program Assistant.
 - Memorandum to Employ Caleb Stienart as Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach.
 - Memorandum to Employ Andrew Wilcox as Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach.
 - Memorandum to Employ Kali Groth as 15 hrs/week Paraprofessional.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Jeanne Pearson.
 - Leave of Absence of Jill Lucero.
 - Resignation of Terrance Harte as Paraprofessional and Lateral Work Design to post position.

A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Peterson to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed Unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TEACHERS' CONTRACT

- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Mathews to approve the Teachers' Contract for 2019-2021. Motion Passes, Salmela recused himself.*

ACCEPT DONATIONS

- *A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Thornton to accept donations to the General and Extra-Curricular Funds received thru November 12, 2019. Passed Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Peterson to accept Centricity Credit Union Donation of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of installing artificial turf on Corey Veech Field. Roll Call Vote; Peterson – AYE, Thornton – AYE, Mathews – AYE, Madill – AYE, Kneisl – Absent, Salmela – AYE. Resolution passed 5-AYE.*

COMMENTS AND CONGRATULATIONS

- Mathews thanked all the participants of the Strategic Planning sessions.

RECOGNITION OF VISITOR BUSINESS – NONE

CORRESPONDENCE

- Juntunen received an electronic card from Apptegy.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- John Muenich and Mike Pothast spoke to the Board about the Computer Science Initiative and Grant Information. Critical thinking and the ability to learn that will shape the students in the future.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

- Next meeting is November 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. as a public meeting without public comment.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Enrollment Update. Stable
- Negotiations Update. Thank you to all who worked on negotiations. Principals are last group to be settled.
- Hermantown Community Learning Center. January the Board will be able to see the site.
- Add a Board Member to the Turf Committee - Salmela

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Thornton, Salmela, and Juntunen attended the Liaison Meeting held on November 12, 2019. Minimum GPA for participation in extra-curricular activities was discussed. Turf field and the application process for unfunded activities were also discussed. A parent will also be added to the Committee.
- Peterson mentioned that they still have not heard from the Arena Board regarding meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

- *A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Madill to approve the MSBA Model Policy Revisions. Roll Call Vote; Peterson – AYE, Thornton – AYE, Mathews – AYE, Madill – AYE, Kneisl – Absent, Salmela – AYE. Resolution passed 5-AYE.*

NEW BUSINESS – NONE

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Salmela to adjourn the meeting at 7:02p.m. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Thornton, Clerk

Dianne Mathews, Chair