

HERMANTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Minutes: May 29, 2019

The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700 met in regular session on Wednesday, May 29, 2019, at the Administration Board Room. Chair, Dianne Mathews, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

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

Visitors: Renee Klinkner, Jenny Wiese, Deb Reynolds, and John Muenich.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Peterson to approve the agenda the amended agenda with the following additions, deletions, or corrections: Add under Consent Agenda: Resignation of Laura Goucher as High School Band Teacher and Lateral Work Design to post position, Memorandum to Employ ESY Staff, and Memorandum to Employ Caroline McQuillan as Early Childhood Special Education Teacher. Passed Unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- Approve Minutes of Board Meeting dated May 13, 2019.
- Approve and authorize payment of check #4449, audited vouchers #102172-102298, and voided checks #100043, #102164, and #101785.
- Approval of Personnel Items
 - Resignation of Ben Benson as Child Care Aide.
 - Resignation of Amy Wolcott as General Education Aide and Lateral Work Design to post position.
 - Lateral Work Design for Middle/High School Science Teacher.
 - Lateral Work Design for Extended School Year Staff.
 - Lateral Work Design for Elementary School Teacher.
 - Memorandum to Employ Carolyn Johnson as Early Childhood Teacher for Summer Jump Start Program.
 - Memorandum to Employ Kim Wilson as Early Childhood Teacher for Summer Jump Start Program.
 - Memorandum to Employ Sheina Showen as Licensed School Nurse.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Jillian Godfrey.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Rebecca Schmidt.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Frank Judnick.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Pamela Samec.
 - Memorandum of Change in Employment of Terry Gilbert.
 - Non-renewal of .5 FTE Physical Education Probationary Teacher, Isaiah Wieczorek.
 - Resignation of Laura Goucher as High School Band Teacher and Lateral Work Design to post position.
 - Memorandum to Employ ESY Staff.
 - Speech/Language Pathologist – approx 12 hrs. - Nancy Anderson
 - ECSE Teacher – approx 15 hrs. - Kelsey Krautkremer
 - Speech/Language Pathologist - approx 30 hrs. - Abbie Pannkuk
 - ES Special Ed. Teacher DCD License – approx 40 hrs. - Natalie Brendon

- ES Paraprofessional Aide/Assistant – approx. 26 hrs. - Anna Hazebroek
- ES Paraprofessional Aide/Assistant – approx. 26 hrs.- Kim Gagnon
- ES LPN – approx. 51 hrs. - Terri Magdzas
- EBD ES Teacher - approx. 20 hrs. - Angie Hudspith
- ES Paraprofessional Aide/Assistant – approx. 18 hrs. - Michelle Salo
- ES Paraprofessional Aide/Assistant – approx. 18 hrs.- Ronda Lennartson
- HS/MS Paraprofessional - approx 32 hrs. - Anna Hazebroek
- HS/MS Special Ed. Teacher DCD License – approx 45 hrs. - Natalie Brendon
- HS LPN – approx 51 hrs. - Terri Magdzas
- MS EBD Teacher - approx. 10 hrs. - Joe Muehlbauer
- DHH Teacher - approx. 10 hrs. - Kristi Slick
- Memorandum to Employ Caroline McQuillan as Early Childhood Special Education Teacher.

A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Madill to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed Unanimously.

ACCEPT DONATIONS

A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Kneisl to accept donations to the General and Extra-Curricular Funds received thru May 29, 2019. Passed unanimously.

COMMENTS AND CONGRATULATIONS

- High School Principal John Muenich congratulated all the students who participated in the MAAP STARS Conference earlier this month. Mr. Muenich also congratulated the Trap Team for winning their Conference.
- Middle School Principal Jenny Wiese thanked all the students and staff for all their hard work on the Spring Concerts.
- Juntunen congratulated Director of Curriculum Renee Klinkner and Special Education Staff for having no findings during the field audit for the MTAS. He also congratulated Nancy Litman and Lori Fichtner for securing federal technical assistance focused on continuous quality improvement for Early Childhood.
- Mathews congratulated the Middle School Students and Staff for a great job on the Spring Concerts.

RECOGNITION OF VISITOR BUSINESS – NONE

CORRESPONDENCE

- Kneisl received an email from the Parks Department regarding touring our trail system.

SUPERINTENDENT’S DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Enrollment Update. Numbers are growing for next year.
- Update on School Funding after Completion of Session. The legislature approved an increase of 2% on the basic formula for the next two years.
- Essentia Wellness Center Update. Meetings between the District and Jeremy Katchuba, Director of the Essentia Wellness Center’s YMCA have continued. The Community Education Staff will have a tour of the spaces soon.
- Hermantown Early Learning Center Construction Update. Site is coming along, footings will be dug within the next two weeks.

- Negotiations Update. We have had meetings with the Teachers' Group, Confidential Secretaries and the Principals' Group is scheduled to meet on June 11 and 17.
- Administration Building Concerns/Update. Meeting with the City next week.
- 2019 Graduation Ceremony, final preparations. All on task for a great ceremony.
- Other. None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Thornton attended the Hermantown Legacy Fund Meeting. Summerfest and fund collections were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Salmela to approve the Strategic Planning Service Agreement with MSBA. Passed unanimously.*

NEW BUSINESS

- 2019-20 Budget. No action taken.

CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Kneisl to close the meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:15 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Mathews to open the closed meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:18 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Madill to close the closed meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:59 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

REOPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Madill to reopen the meeting to the public at 6:59 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Madill to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Thornton, Clerk

Dianne Mathews, Chair