

Quinter Public Schools USD 293
Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
April 16, 2020

Call to Order:

President Aaron Betz called the Regular Board of Education Meeting to order at 7:32pm. In attendance were Robert Herl, Kristal Werth, Tiffany Gillespie, Shane Mann, Giovanni Caasi and Tara Thornburg. Also attending were Supt./Princ. Kurt Brown; Princ. Toby Countryman; and Clerk Evone Waggoner. Meeting was streamed via Google Meet Stream.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mann/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the special board of education meeting minutes of March 26, 2020. Herl/Werth (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Bills:

Motion to approve bill checks #24491 thru 24521. Mann/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0)

AD Report: None

OTA Report: None

STUCO Report: None

NKESC Reports:

Shane Mann gave the NKESC report.

Transportation Report:

Vehicle purchases have been put on hold pending the economic impact upon the budget.

Grade School Building Report:

Gym floor subfloor is installed and top floor is ready to be installed. Old plumbing has been removed from the GS tunnel and Friday new plumbing will be installed. Mr. Brown is moving elementary teachers into new positions and has offered Haley Bainter a teacher contract pending board approval. Elementary schedule will be finalized next week.

Junior-Senior School Building Report:

Mr. Countryman gave an academic online curriculum update. Late April prom and graduation dates will be discussed whether to move forward with current dates or postpone them to later dates due to the pandemic. Open positions at the HS are filled pending board approval under personnel report. Football lights will be turned on tomorrow night at 8:20pm to honor graduating seniors. Looking Ahead: Fine tuning online curriculum; completing next year's school calendar; and wrapping up the school year.

All School Building Report:

Build Your Own Curriculum (BYOC) training has begun for teachers. KESA is continuing through video conferencing. Mr. Brown will move forward with summer projects.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Brown reported on State & Local Finance/Legislative updates. Due to the shutdown of the economy there are concerns about the negative impact on school budgets for the 2020-2021 school year. KSDE is confident that the economy will not affect school budgets and encourages districts to plan on the four-year budget increases. Mr. Brown reviewed a handout from KASB on the CARES act money distribution. Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) team has reviewed the last day of school for student requirements and when students should turn in Chromebooks and final assignments.

New Business:

Request For Proposal (RFP) for HS parking lot repair was reviewed.

Action Item:

Motion to approve RFP for HS parking lot as presented and authorize Mr. Brown to approve the bid is in the best interest of the district funding available. Betz/Werth (m/s/c 7-0)

Old Business:

Health insurance committee met with BCBSKS representative Karol Roadhouse to review plan options. The committee recommended packages A & B. Mr. Brown sent out a survey to have staff vote between the two packages. Mr. Brown recommended the board approve package B due to 61% of staff picked package B. Mr. Brown asked the board to waive the health insurance 30-day waiting period for new staff taking health insurance for the 2020-2021 school year. Daycare update: Mr. Brown has been working with Ericka Nicholson and on behalf of the district he wrote a letter of support for Makayla Gottchall to open a daycare.

Action Item:

Motion to approve BCBSKS package B for district health insurance for the 2020-2021. Werth/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Personnel:

Scott Crist submitted a letter of resignation as play director, Shelby Gottschalk Herl resigned as teacher, and Sandii Ostmeyer has resigned as library aid due to retirement. Mr. Brown acknowledged Mrs. Ostmeyer's 29 years of service to the district and formal recognition will be done after the pandemic is lifted. Recommendations for hire were: Hailey Kerns for the HS assistant volleyball coach; Haley Bainter as 1st grade teacher; and Valerie Brown-Kuchera for HS English teacher.

Action Items:

Motion to accept Scott Crist's resignation as play director. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to accept Sandii Ostmeyer's retirement resignation wishing her well and thanks for years of service. Betz/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to accept Shelby Gottschalk Herl's resignation as teacher. Caasi/Werth (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to approve Hailey Kerns as HS assistant volleyball coach for 2020-2021 school year. Herl/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to approve Haley Bainter as 1st grade teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Herl/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to approve Valerie Brown-Kuchera as HS English teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Mann/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

Negotiations:

MOU with certified staff was reviewed.

Action Item:

Motion to accept the MOU as presented. Caasi/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Negotiations Executive Session:

Board of Education went into executive session at 8:35pm.

Aaron Betz moved to enter into executive session with Supt. Kurt Brown, Princ. Toby Countryman, and Evone Waggoner present to discuss negotiation items pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA. The meeting will resume by livestream at 9:00pm. Betz/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

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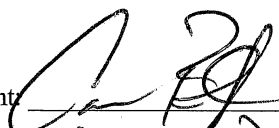
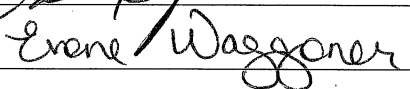
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Information Report:

Shane Mann commented on virtual learning going forward even after the pandemic to help students who may not be able to physically attend school.

Adjournment:

Aaron Betz adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:15pm.

President: 
Clerk: 

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