

EWEN-TROUT CREEK SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

July 22, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order @ 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call & Established a Quorum: Quorum Established.

Members Present: J. Pinkerton, S. Brown, S. Schutz, M. Brown, C. Ellsworth, C. Maki,

Members Absent H. Driesenga

Also in Attendance: Superintendent D. Radovich, Principal P. Witt, Business Manager T. Gibson, & Administrative Assistant P. Besonen.

Visitors in Attendance: P. Kitzman

Approval of Agenda: Motion by S. Brown to approve the agenda with the additional item (p) under Discussion & Action Items, Second by S. Schutz. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Read & Approve Minutes from Past Meetings: Motion by S. Schutz to approve the June 24th Budget Hearing, & June 24th Regular Board Meeting minutes, Second by S. Brown. All Ayes Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Pat Kitzman addressed the board regarding PILT funds. Suggested that all units of government be treated equally and request 33% of PILT funds be shared equally with the School, Townships & County. Kitzman also stated the North County School District receives State PILT Funds.

Administrative Reports:

Superintendent D. Radovich addressed the board regarding the Return to School Plan according to the State Suggested Roadmap. A committee has been established consisting of Administration, Staff, Parents and Board Members. The School Plan has to be adopted by Aug. 15, 2020. Information will be presented to parents online or in person. Advised on a Professional Development Advisory Board, a need for social/emotional support for students, in-service will be provided by Portage Health for all staff. Discussed Virtual School & also informed the board we have low numbers for sub teachers.

COVID janitorial duties, sanitizing the building every 4 hours, PPE's will not be sent to school districts from the state.

Motion by S. Brown to notify Louis Burgess expressing our extreme disappointment regarding the state not providing PPE supplies to schools during the COVID 19 pandemic. Second by M. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Principal P Witt advised the board regarding the Graduation Ceremony, the 2020-2021 schedule, the back to school plan, Capturing Kids Hearts program by Portage Health, Letters to Miss Kendra, produce boxes, Staff meetings, E-TC Blood Drive, Dairy Box Delivery, COVID Testing @ the School on July 28, 2020, Stay in the Clay program, & U.P. Administrators Virtual Academy.

Business Manager T. Gibson reported the 2019-2020 Fiscal Audit is scheduled to begin on August 11, 2020. Advised on the 2020 Election update. Two candidates have filed to date. The used 2018 Bluebird Bus has been delivered. The dairy box deliveries will continue as long as the program is available.

Discussion & Action Items:

- a. Financial Report & Payment of Bills: Motion by S. Schutz to approve the financial report as presented and pay bills, Second by M. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- b. Finance Committee -PILT Funds: Motion by S. Schutz to send a letter to the County Board & Twp. suggesting our share of 33% of the PILT be sent to the E-TC School District, due to impending state reductions resulting from COVID 19, Second by C. Maki. Roll Call Vote, All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- c. Technology Donations Guidelines: Motion by John Pinkerton to accept the Technology Donation Guidelines as presented, Second by S. Schutz. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- d. Milk & Bread Bids: Motion by S. Schutz to accept Jilbert Dairy's milk bid, & Bimbo Bakery's bread bid as presented, Second by C. Ellsworth. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes Motion Carried.
- e. Staff Reduction: Motion by S. Brown to terminate Mary Hintze as requested, Second by S. Schutz. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Motion by M. Brown to terminate Peg Corothers as requested, Second by C. Ellsworth. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- f. 2020 L4029 Winter Tax Levy Request: Motion by S. Brown to approve the 2020 L4029 Winter Tax Levy Request, Second by M. Brown. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- g. Michigan Schools of Choice 2020-21 Resolution: Motion by S. Schutz to approve the Michigan Schools of Choice 2020-21 Resolution, Second by S. Brown. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- h. Second Reading of NEOLA Policy Updates: Motion by M. Brown to approve the NEOLA updates as presented, Second by C. Ellsworth. All Ayes. Motion Carried
- i. MHSAA Membership Resolution: Motion By S. Brown to approve the MHSAA Membership Resolution, Second by M. Brown. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- j. Approve Bus Driver Hire: Motion by S. Brown to promote Pam Carlson from part time to full time bus driver, Second by S. Schutz. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- k. Title IX Policy- First Reading: No Action Necessary
- l. Professional Development Advisory Committee: Motion by J. Pinkerton to approve the proposed Professional Development Advisory Committee, Second by S. Schutz. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

- m. Authorize Administration to Hire JV Volleyball Coach: Motion by S. Brown to approve hiring N. Fiorucci for JV Volleyball Coach providing all qualifications are met, Second by M. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- n. Capturing Kids Hearts: Discussion. No action taken.
- o. Return to School Plans: Discussion. No action taken.
- p. Date for Special Board Meeting Before August 14, 2020: Motion by S. Schutz to set a special board meeting for August 12, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m. to address/adopt return to school plans, Second by M. Brown. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Adjournment: Motion by S. Brown to adjourn. Second by C. Ellsworth. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned @ 7:21 p.m.

President

Secretary