

**EWEN-TROUT CREEK SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Electronic Meeting Via Teleconference**

**June 24, 2020**

**5:45 p.m.**

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Board President J. Pinkerton.

Roll Call & Establish a Quorum: Quorum Established.

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

Members Absent: H. Dreisenga

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 as presented, Second by S. Schutz. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Read & Approve Minutes from Past Meetings: Motion by M. Brown to approve both the special & regular board meeting minutes as presented. Second by S. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comments: P. Kitzman addressed the board regarding the PILT funds and the schools policy. He stated communication stops a lot of confusion and the public is entitled to know. He spoke regarding the 33% of the PILT funds that were to go to the schools and townships and advised they were not receiving their share. He also asked why the board didn't respond to his questions and concerns. (The board policy allows for 5 minutes in public comment with no discussions during that time.) He was advised a meeting would be set up with him and the finance committee to answer any questions and/or concerns he may have in the near future. It was also noted that Legislators for our District have been contacted regarding the funds.

Correspondence: None

**Administrative Reports:**

Superintendent D. Radovich congratulated Principal Witt and all E-TC staff on the continuous learning plan for the students during the Covid Pandemic. A survey has been done and produced mostly positive feedback. Advised the board the he will set up a meeting with the finance committee & Mr. P. Kitzman to discuss PILT funds. Also stated he has been in contact with the State Legislatures regarding funding. Advised the

recent up-dates on Covid -19 information from the State. They have been meeting on a regular basis with all entities, State , Local & Staff.

Principal Witt advised the board 2 E-TC students have graduated from Gogebic Community College this spring earned through the Early College Program. Noah Nordine & Nicolas Walker both earned Associates Degrees. Reported on the Remote Learning program with the most common problem being keeping kids motivated and engaged. Graduation has been set for July 10, 2020 in the School Gymnasium @ 7:00 p.m. with State Covid 19 restrictions in place. Scheduling for the 2020-21 year has begun. The school lunch program has been extended through the month of June. Student of the Month program has been maintained throughout the distance learning program, report cards were sent out in June, & the prom has been postponed at this time. Athletic awards will be scheduled at a later date.

Business Manager T. Gibson reported that PCMI has rescinded the increase in the administrative fee originally imposed in the 2020-21 contract for Food Service/Business Services & Subs due to Covid 19. 2020 Election Update, 4 positions on the board are up in November, (Pinkerton, Maki, Schutz,& Dreisenga) Deadline to file Affidavit of Identity & Petition is July 21, 2020 @ 4:00 p.m. at the County Clerk's Office. Purchased a 2018 Bluebird bus with a camera system \$66,300.00 Bus, \$750.00 Camera System (used), Total \$67,050.00. Dairy Boxes from COVID Farm Assistance Program will be distributed regardless of income or need on Monday June 29, 2020. Pick up will be at the E-TC school.

#### Discussion & Action Items:

- a. Financial Report & Payment of Bills: Motion by S. Schutz to accept the financial report and pay bills as presented, Second by M. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- b. 2020-21 Superintendent Contract Days: Motion by M. Brown to extend the Superintendent contract by 8 days as presented, Second by C. Ellsworth. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- c. 2019-20 Revised Budget Resolution: Motion by S. Brown to approve the 2019-20 revised budget resolution as presented, Second by S. Schutz. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- d. 2020-21 Proposed Budget Resolution Motion: Motion by S. Schutz to approve the 2020-21 revised budget resolution as presented, Second by C. Ellsworth. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- e. 2019-20 & 2020-21 Miscellaneous Budgets Approval: Motion by J. Pinkerton to approve the 2019-20 & 2020-21 budgets for Food Service, Debt, Capital Projects and Trust & Agency as presented. Second by S. Schutz. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- f. NEOLA Policy Update -1st Reading: Discussion. No Action taken.

- g. 2020-21 Calendar: Motion by M. Brown to accept the proposed Calendar with future possible changes, Second by S. Brown. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- h. Gym Floor Proposal: Motion by S. Brown to approve the gym floor refinishing proposal by Jarod Besonen, (lowest bid), Second by S. Schutz. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- i. Emergency Manager PPE Donation: Discussion, Donation to the District included 1200 face shields, cases of hand sanitizer, case of gloves & facemasks, also radios and antennas. Board requested a thank you be sent to the County Emergency Manager.
- j. Accept Bus Driver Resignation: Motion by M. Brown to accept the resignation of bus driver Bill Strnad, and thank him for his service to the district, Second by C. Maki. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Discussion:

NOTE: One board member did not sign diplomas.

Next month's board meeting (July) will be in person held at the E-TC School in the boardroom.

Closer to the new school year opening, a committee should be established prior to re-opening classrooms. (school board, administration, teachers, support staff & parents)

The board president advised he would not be seeking re-election.

Adjournment: Motion by M. Brown to adjourn. Second by C. Ellsworth. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned @ 6:51 p.m.

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President

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Secretary