

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Vinton-Shellsburg Community Schools
May 11, 2020**

Call to Order

President Rob Levis called the special meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. in the Administrative Office Board Room. In an effort to mitigate the potential spread of COVID-19, meeting was live streams via VSCSD Facebook page and the public could participate via zoom link.

Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance

Sue Gates, Kathy Van Steenhuyse, Mike Timmermans, Jake Fish, Becky Williams on-line, Tom Burke, Rob Levis, and Brenda Barkdoll, Board, Secretary/Treasurer and Mary Jo Hainstock, Superintendent were present.

Receive Visitors/Audience Comments

A teacher expressed her interest the board consider increasing special education associates' wages.

Administrator Reports

Ryan Davis shared transition with students, registration and working on presidential awards.

Shelly Petersen shared student registration, transition of students, presidential awards, work being done at middle school, and computers and hot spots are checked out to middle school kids.

Matt Kingsbury shared about the graduation and ceremony, senior awards night, on-line learning is in the third week, PLC group is meeting, Building Team meetings, ACT results, scheduling, and work the custodians are doing with summer cleaning.

Tony shared that 12 kids will complete graduation at alternative high school, he is making home visits to kids, and high school staff are doing a great job reaching out to kids,

Superintendent Report

Hainstock reported on land update, Excel publication, open enrollment applications, and thanked staff for their continued support to our students and the district during week nine of closure.

Board Reports/Requests

Burke shared the large turnout to celebrate a middle school student's birthday. Van Steenhuyse shared several board members participated in the hiring process for the Tilford principal and with meet-and-confer meetings.

General Business of the Board

Consent Agenda

963. It was moved by Van Steenhuyse and seconded by Gates to accept the consent items as presented. Motion carried 7/0.

Review Bids for Tilford HVAC Project

964. It was moved by Fish and seconded by Burke to approve the bid submitted by Young's Plumbing and Heating for \$388,900. Motion carried 7/0.

Resolution for Pandemic Response and Emergency Suspension of Policy and Administrative Procedures

965. It was moved by Timmermans and seconded by Gates to present the amended resolution from April 13th and move for its adoption. Motion carried 7/0 on a roll call vote.

Recommendations for Responding to the Pandemic

966. It was moved by Burke and seconded by Fish to approve the administrative recommendations including setting graduation on Sunday, June 21st. Motion carried 7/0.

Early Retirement

967. It was moved by Van Steenhuyse and seconded by Gates to approve late early retirement applications from support staff filed prior to noon on Monday, June 1st. Motion failed 3/4 on a roll call vote.

968. It was moved by Gates and seconded by Burke to approve two applications submitted and consider accept additional late requests submitted by June 1st according to date and time. Motion carried 7/0 on a roll call vote.

Solar Recommendations

969. It was moved by Timmermans and seconded by Fish to direct the administration to move forward with researching solar for the district, and they bring a specific plan back to the board no later than September 14, 2020. Motion carried 7/0.

First Reading of Board Policy 500 Series

The second and final reading will be done next month.

Audience comments on any of the preceding items

Another teacher advocated for the board to consider increasing special education associate wages.

Correspondence Items/Reports

- Summer Project Update

Move into Exempt Session to Discuss Negotiation Strategies as Allowed by Iowa Code Chapter 20.17(3)

970. It was moved by Fish and seconded by Timmermans to move into exempt session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss negotiation strategies as allowed by Iowa Code 20.17(3). Motion carried 7/0.

By consensus, the board moved from closed session to open session at 8:18 p.m.

Approve Settlement Conditions for Employees Not Covered by a Collective Bargaining Unit.

971. It was moved by Van Steenhuyse and seconded by Timmermans to approve the settlement conditions for support staff as presented. Motion carried 6/0 with Levis abstaining.

Adjournment

Rob Levis adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m

Rob Levis, President

Brenda Barkdoll, Secretary