

HURON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

September 28, 2020

President, Jack Richert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center

Members present: Town, Cornwall, Ferguson, Richert, Szawara, Roupe, and Whited (6:04 virtually)

Members absent:

Pledge to the flag was given.

20/21-119. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Roupe that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of August 24 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 Motion carried

Public Concerns and Comments: There were no public concerns or comments

Communications: There was nothing scheduled for Communications

20/21-120. Moved by Town, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Shannon Petro, as the Cooks Assistant at Brown Elementary, for the 2020-2021 school year, effective August 26, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 Motion carried

Whited arrived virtually 6:04 p.m.

20/21-121. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the probationary teaching contract and hiring of Joy Hande as the First Grade teacher at Miller Elementary School for the 2020-2021 school year, Effective August 31, 2020, pending the results of her criminal history background and pre-employment physical, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-122. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the probationary teaching contract and hiring of Madison Tockstein, as the Kindergarten teacher at Miller Elementary, for the 2020-2021 school year, effective August 31, 2020, pending the results of her criminal history background check and pre-employment physical, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

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20/21-123. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the probationary teaching contract and hiring of Breanna Perez, as the Third Grade teacher at Brown Elementary, for the 2020-2021 school year, effective August 31, 2020, pending the results of her criminal history background check and pre-employment physical, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-124. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Emily Payment as the Payroll and Benefit Clerk, effective September 14, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-125. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Hillary Howe as the Cooks Assistant at Miller Elementary, for the 2020-2021- school year, effective, September 21, 2020, pending the results of her pre-employment physical, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-126. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Amy Heath as the Special Education Aide at Brown Elementary, effective September 21, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-127. Moved by Town, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Kathleen Hagar as the Speech & Language Pathologist at Miller Elementary, effective September 23, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-128. Moved by Town, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the promotion of Steven P. Hudock to the Curriculum Director, effective September 28, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

20/21-129. Moved by Town, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Heather Phillips as the Recess Aide at Brown Elementary, effective September 28, 2020, as presented.

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Motion carried

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20/21-130. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Town, that the Board of Education approve and re-confirm how instruction is going to be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ferguson, Szawara, Richert, Cornwall,
Richert, Whited, Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

Board Policy Committee:

Nate stated that there is a meeting scheduled for next month.

Facility Needs Committee:

Trena stated that they just met and construction is rolling along

Finance Committee Report:

Alice had nothing new to report

Strategic Planning Committee Report:

Dana said that everything is moving on time and under budget.

LDFA Report:

Scott said that there were nominations for the positions on the board.

20/21-131. Moved by Whited, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the accounts payable totaling \$4,230,928.21, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ferguson, Szawara, Richert, Cornwall,
Richert, Whited, Town - - - - AYES

Motion carried

Investment Report Note & File

Auditorium Usage Report Note & File

Statement of Revenue & Expenditures Note & File

Comments from the Board of Education:

Trena congratulated Steven and the rest of the new hires. She is very proud of our “model” for continued learning.

Alice welcomed all of the new hires and congratulated Steven on his promotion. She thanked everyone who had worked on the “continued learning” process.

Nate welcomed all of the new hires.

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Comments from the Board (continued)

Cory congratulated Steven and the new hires. Fall sports are underway, Rick Emelian scored 6 goals with the soccer team, which he believes may be a record. The athletic field looks phenomenal with the football players on it. Cross Country is doing well and all of sports are doing well. He also thanked all of the teachers and administrators for all of their continued hard work.

Dana welcomed all of the new hires and congratulated Steven on his promotion. She thanked the staff and administration for all of their hard work. She wish the best of luck to all of the fall sports and commented that JV and Varsity soccer, plus the Varsity football team all of winning games on the new turf. She wanted to thank everyone who has expressed their concerns regarding the “Chief” logo. As a school board they are always open to what everyone has to say. There have been many conversation with current and former students, community members, staff, local historians, local Native American Indians, as well as the federally recognized leader of the Wyandotte Nation, which the Huron Nation is a part of, Chief Friend. She read a letter from Chief Friend in support of the Huron Chiefs mascot, and states that the Federally recognized tribe, The Wyandotte Nation, is the only that can speak on behalf of the mascot for Huron. Dana thought that it was important to share his letter with the community and thanked Chief Friend for taking the time submit it.

Jack talked about having a conversation with a mother some time ago, who was extremely concerned about how Huron was going to deliver education. He assured her that our educators have spent the summer learning how to prepare for our kids with distant learning. Huron is a model for other districts on how to deliver continuing education. He also congratulated Steven on his promotion.

Superintendent’s Comments:

Donovan appreciates all of the comments from the Board regarding the new instructional systems. All of our staff, from Bus Driver, and Custodial staff, have stepped up to make sure that everything is getting done for the students. He also thanked the technology staff to keep the WiFi running and keeping up with all fo the Chromebooks. He also thanked all of the teachers for their commitment to the kids.

20/21-132. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Szawara, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Ayes –7

Nays – 0

Motion carried