

Minooka Community Consolidated School District 201

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

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Regular Meeting
Minooka Primary Center Gym

Monday, October 18, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stephen Blount
Emily Conquest
Adam Shainberg
James Satorius
Al Skwarczynski
Vinita Voss

ABSENT:

Ed Cronin

1. Call To Order

1.01 Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Emily Conquest. Roll call was answered as indicated. Others present were: Kris Monn, Aaron Souza, Tiffany Staab, Jill Forkel, Sara Weeks, Kathleen Cheshareck, Sarah Monroe, Jeana Pekol, Monica Totaro, Rodney Hiser, Jackie Harig, Jill Lustik, Adrienne McKerrow, Mary Robinson, Jill Lustik, Erika Martinez, Anna Martinkis, Teri Miller, Ciara Mano, Teri Underhill, Nicki Aulet, Steve Huffman, Gina Ruggeri, Lisa Holic, Freeman Family, Heather Ray, Thomas McGowan, Tom Lancaster, Tammie Locher, Steve Huffman, Melinda DiLorenzo, Jennifer Lindsey, Jenna Marie Lopez, Susan Sabella, Sarah Green and Lori Shanholtzer.

1.02 Approval of Agenda

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Shainberg to approve the agenda as presented.
Aye: Skwarczynski, Shainberg, Blount, Satorius, Voss, Conquest
Motion Carried.

2. Public Comments and Recognitions

2.01 Students of the Month

Jackie Harig announced the students of the month from Minooka Intermediate School.

Adrienne McKerrow announced the students of the month from Minooka Junior High School.

2.02 Comments from the Employees and the Public

The following parents/students commented on the district mask policy and COVID mandates:

Thomas McGowan
Heather Ray

3. Consent Agenda

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Voss to approve the list of bills, minutes from the September 20, 2021 regular meeting, treasurer report, destruction of the closed session recordings from October 2019, FOIA requests, third reading of Policy 5:205 - Code of Conduct, Professionalism and Ethics as presented.

Aye: Shainberg, Voss, Blount, Skwarczynski, Satorius, Conquest
Motion Approved.

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Satorius to approve the personnel report as presented.
Aye: Skwarczynski, Satorius, Blount, Shainberg, Voss, Conquest
Motion Approved.

4 Action Items

4.01 Acceptance of FY2021 Audit

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Blount to approve the FY2021 audit as presented by Tom Lancaster from Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon..
Aye: Shainberg, Blount, Skwarczyński, Satorius, Voss, Conquest
Motion Approved.

4.02 Snow Removal Bids

This item was rejected due to lack of bids.

5. Discussion and Information Items

5.01 Preliminary 2021 Tax Levy

Mary Robinson reported:

- Tax rate possibly will be \$3.19 based on levy information. We currently are at a \$3.25 tax rate, spring 2022 will show more exact levy amounts.
- Will bring what the reassessments are for the counties at the next board meeting.
- Our long term debt is currently under 50 million dollars.

5.02 Minooka Primary Center Presentation

Principal Terri Miller and teachers Melinda DiLorenzo, Jennifer Lindsey, Jenna Marie Lopez, Susan Sabella and Sarah Green shared their presentation with the Board.

5.03 Preliminary Fall MAP Test Results

Dr. Staab & Dr. Cheshareck reported:

- Information on the Fall 2019 Assessments
- Discussed the current Professional Development that we are having with Great Minds Eureka Math and Wit/Wisdom.
- Information regarding Instructional Coaches and the trainings they are attending.
- Working on Social/Emotional issues with students.

5.04 Emerging Bilingual, English Language Learner Programming Presentation

Erika Martinez reported:

- We currently have 141 students in the bilingual program.
- First BPAC meeting was a success with 13 families attending.

5.05 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative

Adrianne McKerrow reported:

- The first retreat was a huge success with 40 members attending.
- Board Member Stephen Blount asked if we could start to track ethnicity in the district.

6. COMMUNICATION

6.01 Administrative Reports

Dr. Monn reported:

- Congratulated the Minooka Junior High softball team and cross country teams for making it down state.
- Starting at the November board meeting will have students attend for recognition.
- Thank the MEEA/MESP for attending the meeting.
- Stated that Sarah Massey was able to attend but that she is currently working on getting Permanent Sub, Campus Monitor and Special Education Teacher positions filled.
- All testing materials for Shield testing have arrived.

Dr. Staab reported:

- The student test to stay initiative has started. The district will be using the Binex testing.
- Shield testing will begin on October 20th and will be meeting with Dr. Monn and Amy Pelnarsh.

Aaron Souza reported:

- 5th Grade Chromebooks renewal.
- Working on a virtual server in the summertime.
- Transportation costs for video cabling.
- Information regarding phone system issues the district has been having.

6.02 Board Topics

Adam Shainberg will be the delegate for the IASB school board convention.

7.0 Executive Session

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Voss to go into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and/or dismissal of employees, negotiations, the purchase of real property, confidential student matters, and/or litigation.

Motion Carried at 8:19 p.m.

Aye: Shainberg, Voss, Blount, Skwarczynski, Satorius, Conquest

Motion Carried

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Blount to return to open session at 9:09 p.m.

Motion Carried at 9:09 p.m.

Aye: Skwarczynski, Blount, Shainberg, Satorius, Voss, Conquest

Motion Carried

8. Action as a result of Executive Session


None

9. Adjournment

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Satorius to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:09 p.m.

Aye: Shainberg, Satorius, Blount, Skwarczynski, Voss, Conquest

Motion Carried at 9:09 p.m.


Emily Conquest, President


Al Skwarczynski, Secretary