

Minooka Community Consolidated School District 201
Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting
Minooka School District Office

Monday, April 17, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by President Emily Conquest. Roll call was answered as indicated. Others present were: Kris Monn, Tiffany Staab, Sarah Massey, Aaron Souza, Mary Robinson, Kathleen Cheshareck, Jackie Harig, Jason Finkelstein, Teri Miller, Sarah Monroe, Jill Firkel, Jaleasa Wilson, Lara Cogan, Kris Doerr, Elizabeth Brender, Glen Wysong, Cathay Haase, Danielle Gerding, Nancy Skwarczynski, Linda Walter, Steve Huffman, Ronal Bean, Emily Hopwood, Gina Ruggeri, Lisa Holic, Quentin, Antoinette & Sean Howard, Kit Alvear-Lash, Kristen Koppers, Shair Richter, Penny Pry, Debra Lee, Karen Martin, Judy Thayer, Jody, Mike & Gavin Stieg, Grant & Martha Ostreko, Brenda Walzer, Julie Gengler, Brandi Hritz, Deanne Dobczyk, KC Tonelli, Heather Ray, Lillie Millsaps, Jen Monson, Carly Forneris, Madisyne Gura, John Carr, Kaney Family, Ebony Sellers, Debby Meyer, Brian Pohlman, Thomas McGowan, Steve Huffman, Peter & Sara Fleming and Lori Shanholtzer.

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Blount to approve the agenda as presented. Consent Agenda items Savvas Curriculum Purchase and the Award of Bid for Asphalt Repairs & Seal Coating were removed from the Consent Agenda.

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

2. Public Comments and Recognitions

2.01 Students of the Month

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

Jason Finkelstein announced the students of the month from Minooka Junior High School.

2.02 Public Comments

Kristen Koppers - shared her concerns regarding district academics

Heather Ray - shared her concerns regarding student bus write ups and support of Mike Zmuda

Kit Alvear Lash

- Shared her concerns regarding Jones Elementary playground needing to be more operational for special education student needs.
- Asked about the time frame on when the parking lot will be asphalted so the PTO can paint games on it for the students to enjoy.
- Shared information regarding Beanstack reading program

Deane Dobczyk - shared her concerns regarding bus discipline.

Penny Pry - support for Mike Zmuda

Lilly Millsaps - support for Mike Zmuda

Judy Thayer - support Mike Zmuda

Sheri Richter - shared her concerns regarding bus discipline.

Jen Monson -

- Shared concerns regarding reading curriculum.
- Asked why MJHS parents were not aware of the scholarship money.
- Stated the district needs to work on test scores

Madisynne Gura - spoke on behalf of her mother Carly Forneris for support of Mike Zmuda

John Carr - support for Mike Zmuda

Ronald Bean - shared concerns regarding the traffic flow on Ridge Road and stated some of the district flags are tattered and need to be replaced.

3. Consent Agenda

Moved by Satorius, seconded by Voss to approve the list of bills, minutes from the March 20, 2023 regular meeting, treasurer's report, destruction of the closed session recordings from April 2021, FOIA requests, Partner Agreements for the Minooka Community Connection Program, JH Science Buddies Donation/Award, Photography and Yearbook Services Bid and Adoption of PRESS Policy Revisions - Issue 111 as presented.

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

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Voss to approve the personnel report as presented.

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

Moved by Voss, seconded by Blount to approve the Award of Bid for Asphalt Repairs & Seal Coating as presented.

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

Moved by Voss, seconded by Shainberg to approve the Savvas Curriculum Purchase as presented.

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

4. Strategic Plan Update

4.01 Strategic Goal 2 - Restorative Justice/In School Supports

Jason Finkelstein, Jackie Harig, Emily Hopwood and Lara Cogan shared their presentation on Restorative Justice Practices at Minooka Intermediate and Minooka Junior High. (presentation can be located in the electronic board packet).

5. Action Items

5.01 Approval of publication of the 2022-2023 Amended Budget in Tentative Form and setting the public hearing for June 20, 2023 as presented

Moved by Satorius, seconded by Skwarczynski to approve the publication of 2022-2023 Amended Budget in Tentative Form and setting the public hearing for June 20, 2023 as presented.

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

5.02 Resolution abating the working cash fund of the District

Moved by Voss, seconded by Shainberg to approve the Resolution abating the working cash fund of the District as presented.

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

5.03 Portrait of a Graduate

Moved by Shainberg, seconded by Voss to approve the Portrait of a Graduate as presented.

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

6. Discussion And Information Items

6.01 Summer Programming

Dr. Staab shared her presentation regarding the district summer programming. (presentation can be located in the electronic board packet).

7. COMMUNICATION

7.01 Board Topics

Adam Shainberg stated he is in awe of the community and respects people taking time out of their day to say what is important to them.

Vini Voss stated it is important to have our students be accountable for their actions and lead with empathy and respect as adults. She applauded the Board for all of the changes we have made so far. Congratulations to everyone on an amazing job because we have made progress.

Stephen Blount stated we are all here for the same goal and echoed Vinita Voss.

7.02 Administrative Reports

Dr. Monn, Superintendent:

- Congratulations to the girls/boys bowling teams.
- Complimented the signage work at the district office and boardroom.
- Approaching our local government partners about a possible gateway sign for McEvily Road.
- April 4th election final results should be in this week.
- Recognized Al Skwarczynski for all of his dedicated work on the school board.

Aaron Souza, Director Of Information Technology:

- Crisis management and a new phone system will be presented at the next board meeting for action.

8.0 Executive Session

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Blount to go into closed session to discuss negotiations and the compensation, employment and/or evaluation of a specific employee.

Motion Carried at 8:50 p.m.

Aye: Skwarczynski, Blount, Cronin, Satorius, Shainberg, Voss, Conquest
Motion Carried

Moved by Blount, seconded by Voss to return to open session at 10:02 p.m.

Motion Carried at 10:02 p.m.

Aye: Blount, Voss, Cronin, Satorius, Shainberg, Skwarczynski, Conquest
Motion Carried

9. Action as a result of Executive Session

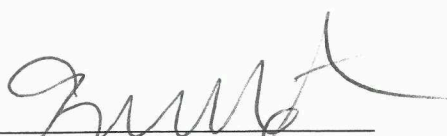
None


10. Adjournment

Moved by Skwarczynski, seconded by Voss to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:02 p.m.

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

Motion Carried at 10:02 p.m.



Emily Conquest, President

Stephen Blount, Secretary