

FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2020

President Marilee Keim called the board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with board members Aaron Rink, Trent Hostetler and Sarah Elledge present. Absent was board member Greg Kitson. Also present were administrators Dr. Robert J Evans, Superintendent; Monica Kegerreis, Assistant Superintendent and Philip Menzie, Business Manager.

Visitors were Cody Stewart, Ben Kambs and Jason Grasty.

There were no public comments.

Dr. Evans shared with the Board the Guidelines for Classified Staff hours for reopening school in fall of 2020. With E-learning on Friday's the classified staff will have the opportunity to come in to work to earn their full hours and pay.

Dr. Evans shared Fairfield's School Board Compact. It's a covenant for Board governance that informs and instructs the school board as well as individual board members on the key aspects and governance practices that are essential to effectively lead and govern themselves and Fairfield Community Schools. The governance component clarifies how the Board will function and react in completing their responsibilities and deliberations.

Dr. Evans shared with the Board information from Athletic Director Mark Hofer regarding steps to reopen sports for fall of 2020 as governed by the state.

Sarah Elledge made and Trent Hostetler supported the motion to approve the following:

- a. Minutes of the July 9, 2020 Board Meeting and the July 22, 2020 Budget Meeting
- b. Claims in the amount of \$1,174,312.78 and a Payroll Claims in the amount of \$695,189.64
- c. There are no professional leave requests
- d. Approve Resignation
 1. Chris Howell – Varsity Boys Cross Country Head Coach at Fairfield Jr-Sr High School
 2. Aubrey Kilgore – 4th Grade Teacher at Benton Elementary School
 3. Jill Kauffman Miller – Educational Assistant at Benton Elementary School
 4. Debra Wilson – Title I Educational Assistant at New Paris Elementary School
 5. Terra Herr – Title I Educational Assistant at New Paris Elementary School
 6. Sam Godfrey – 6th Grade Teacher at New Paris Elementary School
 7. Karen Gill – Crossing Guard at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
 8. Cynthia Hire – Part-time ESL Educational Assistant at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
 9. Brittany Buckmaster – Lifeskills Educational Assistant at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
- e. Approve Transfer
 1. Emily Vargas – School Nurse from New Paris Elementary School to Fairfield Jr-Sr High School
- f. Approve Employments
 1. Angela Vargas – .6 P.E. Teacher at Benton Elementary School
 2. Kirt Hunsberger – Interim Varsity Boys Cross Country Head Coach at Fairfield Jr-Sr High School
 3. Cody Stewart – District Technology Director

4. Leah Gibson – 7th Grade Volleyball Coach at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
5. Leah Gibson – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach at Millersburg Elementary-Middle School
6. Erin Blomgren – 6th Grade Teacher at New Paris Elementary School

The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Evans recommended the board approve the transfer of Chris Mohrbach from District Technology Director to District Network Administrator. Trent Hostetler made a motion seconded by Aaron Rink to approve the transfer. The motion passed unanimously.

Under Old Business Monica Kegerreis gave the Board an update on English 11, English 12 and German textbooks for the 2020-2021 school year. Trent Hostetler made a motion to support the updated textbook list. Aaron Rink supported the motion and the motion passed unanimously. A copy of the textbooks for English 11, English 11 Honors, English 12, English 12 Blended and German follows these minutes.

Dr. Evans recommended the board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Fairfield Education Association and Fairfield Community Schools regarding compensation for loss of prep period to cover for an absent teacher due to a shortage in substitute teachers. Trent Hostetler made, Sarah Elledge seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously. The Memorandum of Understanding follows these minutes.

Dr. Evans recommended the board approve the guidelines for the Extra Curricular Activities and Compensation for fall of 2020. Sarah Elledge made, Aaron Rink seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Evans recommended the board approve the FLMA leave for Rachael Bush, Special Ed Teacher at Fairfield Jr-Sr High School from August 10 to September 14, 2020. Trent Hostetler made, Sarah Elledge seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Phil Menzie recommended approval for the Millersburg Middle School textbook rental and fee amounts for 2020-2021 school year. Trent Hostetler made a motion supported by Sarah Elledge to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the textbook rental and fees follows the minutes.

Sarah Elledge shared with the board on the virtual Music Boosters Meeting and reminded everyone of the Mattress Fundraiser they were having this Saturday at Fairfield Jr-Sr High School complying with Elkhart County Health Department guidelines for social distancing.

Upon proper motion and second the meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Member

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