NORTHWEST COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, March 18, 2019
NEC – Administration Office Board Room

The meeting was called to order by President Shawn White at 5:00 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Shawn White, Brad Wait, Dan Griswold, Bob Sayles, Nick Rush, Craig Staudinger, Phil LaMaire
Absent: NONE
Admin: Geoff Bontrager, Laurie Lewis, Mick Evans, Kim Carney, Scott Buchler, Amanda Anspaugh, Phil Sczykutowicz, Dan Brooks Cindy Devereaux (Recording Secretary)
Visitors: Approximately 7 in attendance

1.A. Recognition of Audience
President Shawn White welcomed everyone in attendance.

2.A. Recognition Resolution
Moved by LaMaire, seconded by Wait, that the Board of Education approve the resolution in recognition of Todd Dickinson for outstanding leadership, dedication, and commitment as a Middle School Basketball Coach for Northwest Community Schools.

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Nick Rush, Dan Griswold, Brad Wait, Shawn White, Bob Sayles, Craig Staudinger, Phil LaMaire
NAYS: NONE

3. Community Comment
Marnie Hade, High School Teacher, provided an update on the College and Career Connection Expo that was held on Thursday, March 7, 2019. Ms. Hade thanked all the businesses, Jackson ISD, and the volunteers for their support. Ms. Hade also noted that the 5th Annual Mother Son Bowling Event will take place on Sunday, March 24, 2019, from 1:00pm-2:30pm at JAX60 (formerly Airport Lanes).

4. Consent Agenda
Moved by Wait, seconded by Sayles, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as follows:
~ Minutes of the February 11, 2019, Board of Education meeting, as presented.
~ Minutes of the March 4, 2019, Special Board of Education meeting, including minutes of the closed session, as presented.
~ Resignation of Cara Evans as a Secretary at Northwest High School, effective February 15, 2019, with appreciation for her 18+ years of service to the district.
~ Termination of Rickiea Jackson as an Infant/Toddler Caregiver at the Northwest Preschool and Child Care Center, effective March 15, 2019, as presented, with appreciation for her service to the district.
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9.A. Revised Board Policies/Bylaws – First Reading
As this was a first reading, no action was recommended at this time.

9.B. Superintendent’s Goals Review/Evaluation
Board President Shawn White noted that an annual goals review/evaluation for Superintendent Geoff Bontrager was conducted at a Special Board Meeting on March 4, 2019. President White read a statement noting that the Board of Education rated Superintendent Bontrager as Highly Effective, are very pleased with his job performance, and feel that he continues to be on track in providing positive leadership for the district. Superintendent Bontrager thanked the Board and noted that it is a team effort.

9.C. Chiller Installation Project
Moved by Griswold, seconded by Rush, that the Board of Education accept the bid from MDL Mechanical Contractors to install chillers at Northwest High School and Northwest Kidder Middle School at a cost not to exceed $1,101,570.00, as presented. Motion Carried 7-0

9.D. Stadium Renovation Project
Moved by Wait, seconded by LaMaire, that the Board of Education accept the following bids for the Stadium Renovation Project: Qualite Sports Lighting, LLC, at a cost not to exceed $269,199.00; A.G. Sports Services, LLC, at a cost not to exceed $174,413.00; AstroTurf at a cost not to exceed $339,897.00; American Asphalt at a cost not to exceed $119,260.00; and Bailey Excavating at a cost not to exceed $474,764.50, as presented. Motion Carried 6-1 (Griswold)

9.E. Installment Purchase Agreement Resolution
Moved by Rush, seconded by Sayles, that the Board of Education approve the Installment Purchase Agreement Resolution and enter into an Installment Purchase Agreement to finance the Chiller Installation Project and the Stadium Renovation Project at a cost not to exceed $2,479,103.50, exclusive of interest, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Nick Rush, Brad Wait, Shawn White, Bob Sayles, Craig Staudinger, Phil LaMaire
Nays: Dan Griswold

10.A. Board Update
NONE

10.B. Superintendent Update
A superintendent update was presented. Below are highlights of that update:
- Information on the collaborative financing of schools was distributed to the Board. It was noted that the purpose of the information is to ensure that all school boards are aware of the study. Superintendent Bontrager asked the Board to review the information and to let him know if there are any questions or concerns. Superintendent Bontrager noted that a resolution will be presented at the next board meeting requesting the district’s support into looking into alternative pathways on how schools are financed.
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10.B. **Superintendent Update** (cont’d)

- Coffee with the Superintendent will take place on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at Biggby Coffee on Springport Road from 7:30am-9:00am
- Reminder of the robotics competition and the Little Mermaid musical taking place March 21-23, 2019.

11. **Community Comment**
NONE

Moved by LaMaire, seconded by Griswold, that the meeting be adjourned. **Motion Carried 7-0.** The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Devereaux,
Recording Secretary

[Signature]
Secretary, Board of Education

Date Approved 4/15/2019