

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 Board of Education

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2023

1) A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Matt Lentz, at the Hillsboro Unit Office at 7:00 p.m. The following board members were present: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby.

2) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News Reports

PreK Director reported that Coffeen Early Childhood Center recently received the highest rating of Gold Circle of Quality from the Illinois State Board of Education. She thanked staff for making it such a success. She also announced the Junior High Girls softball team won their regional game.

HHS Principal Heyen gave an update on the new cell phone policy. It has had a very positive impact on students and they have adjusted well.

Beckemeyer Principal Frailey reported they are off to a strong and successful year.

Curriculum Director Hope McBrain gave an update on the new curriculums that have been implemented this year. Staff at Beckemeyer have received training on the social studies, math and reading programs. There has been a lot of positive feedback.

3) Agenda Item 3.0 FY24 Budget Hearing

Superintendent Powell presented a balanced budget for FY24 of \$29.4 million. The corporate personal property tax amount came in lower than expected at \$3.1 million. The tentative budget was anticipating \$3.9 million.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the FY24 budget as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

4) Agenda Item 4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Approval of Regular Session Minutes from August 8, 2023

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the August 8, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. There were none.

4.2 Approval of Executive Session Minutes from August 8, 2023

President Lentz asked for additions or corrections to the August 8, 2023, Executive Session Meeting Minutes. There were none.

4.3 Review and Approval of Payables

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. There were none.

4.4 Financial Report

President Lentz asked for questions or comments. There were none.

Consent Agenda Vote.

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

5) Agenda Item 5.0 Recognition of Audience

No cards submitted.

6) Agenda Item 6.0 New Business

6.1 Discussion of Memorials on District Campuses

Superintendent Powell discussed establishing a new policy regarding donated memorial items on district campuses. There are a few items currently at HHS that will need to be relocated due to construction, making it a good time to set some guidelines. Superintendent Powell will contact other districts to see if any policies have been developed.

7) Agenda Item 7.0 Communication

There was none.

8) Agenda Item 8.0 Executive Session

The board opted to remain in open session.

9) Agenda Item 9.0 Action Items Resulting from Executive Session

9.1 Employment of a Food Service Worker

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the employment of Food Service Worker Rhonda Rhodes. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

9.2 Resignation of Teaching Assistant

Motion made by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to approve the resignation of teacher's aide Brittini Harrison. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Brian Patton, John Lentz, Blake Furness, Kassie Greenwood, Mike Cerutti, and Nathan Kirby. Motion carried 7-0.

10) Agenda Item 10.0 Adjournment.

Motion by Nathan Kirby, seconded by Kassie Greenwood to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.



Matt Lentz, President



John Lentz, Secretary

October 10, 2023

Date