

PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 90
1100 E. Indiana Avenue, Pontiac, IL 61764
BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 21, 2021

Call to Order, Pledge, and Roll Call: The Pontiac Township High School District No. 90 Board of Education held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Dr. Ronald J Yates Memorial Library at 7:00pm. Mr. Schrock called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members Mr. Schrock, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Masching answered roll call. Also present were Administrators Jon Kilgore, Tera Graves, Eric Bohm, and Board Secretary Kelly Carter.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Mrs. Brainard and seconded by Mr. Sartoris to suspend regular meeting and move into the Public Hearing (tuition waivers for students of FTE's). Motion passed on a voice vote.

Public Comment: None

Mr. Kilgore proposed a waiver to waive student tuition for children of PTHS District 90 FTE's from the General Assembly for a period of 5 years.

A motion was made by Mr. Clemmer and seconded by Mr. Lambert to adjourn the Hearing and resume the regular meeting. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from our regularly scheduled board meeting on April 19, 2021 were approved. Motion by Mr. Masching and seconded by Mr. Lambert. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Approval of Bills and Requisitions: A motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve the High School and LACC Finance Reports; the High School, OM and LACC bills; and the High School and LACC SBAA Activity Reports and Cafeteria Reports. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Masching, Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Brainard voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Recognition of Guests: Robert Tronc, Former PTHS Treasurer, Rep. Thomas Bennett, Illinois House of Representatives, Mr. Paul Ritter, Science Teacher, Jodi Lancaster, LACC Welding Teacher and Nick Vogt, Art Teacher and Kevin Heid with Stifel. Also present were the following students and parents: Emilie Collins, Andy Collins, Deb Karch, Nicole Hall, Kimberly Fitzsimmons, Linda Fitzsimmons, Tim Fitzsimmons, Keagan Hall, and Mason Hall.

Presentations: Mr. Kilgore presented Robert Tronc with a retirement gift from PTHS and the Board of Education for 35+ years of service. Tom Bennett, IL House of Representatives gave out some presentation of resolutions to Jodi Lancaster, Nick Vogt and Paul Ritter for their passion for teaching and motivating students. Kimberly Fitzsimmons, art student, was recognized for her outstanding art work. Students Emilie Collins and Keagan Hall were recognized for their Endangered Species Program.

Communications: None

Public Comment: None

Financial Report: Mr. Kilgore reported that our FY 2021 budget is right on target with one month remaining in the fiscal year and assuming we have no surprise expenses, we should end our year with a balanced budget with a surplus around 500k.

Funds Totals \$908,569.09 + Investments \$5,420,907.06= \$6,604,589.56

FUND BALANCES: Ed Fund \$2,508,086.82), O&M Fund \$836,983.47, Debt Fund \$4,285.94, Transportation Fund \$1,804,122.05, IMRF/SS Fund \$92,567.07, Capital Projects Fund \$405,192.16, Working Cash Fund \$92,464.26, Tort Fund \$42,873.57, Life Safety Fund \$138,167.39.

Board Business:

Debt Certificate: Mr. Kilgore presented the resolution asking for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing real or personal property, or both, in and for the District and for the issue of \$2,000,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2021, of the District, for the purpose of altering, repairing and equipping existing school buildings and facilities of the District and improving sites, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to Peoples National Bank of Kewanee. The first payment installment will be due in December 2022. Kevin Heid with Stifel was present at the BOE meeting for any questions or concerns regarding a new debt certificate Series 2021.

No July Board Meeting: Mr. Kilgore **asked** the BOE to approve a resolution authorizing the release and payment of all checks necessary to pay bills during the month of July 2021.

Commercial Liability Insurance Bids: Mr. Kilgore is recommending the Commercial Liability Insurance through Liberty mutual and Ramza Group effective July 1, 2021.

Health Insurance Recommendation: Tabled until August 2021 BOE Meeting as the new rates were not available.

Cafeteria Vendor Bids for 2021-2022: Mr. Kilgore is recommending Alpha Bread Co, Prairie Farms (milk) and Kohl Wholesale (over vendor) for next year's food vendors.

Transportation Resolution: Mr. Kilgore is asking the BOE to approve the annual transportation resolution that defines which students are eligible for services.

Principal Report: Mr. Bohm asked the BOE to approve the Consolidated District Plan so that he can submit it to the Illinois State Board of Education. The plan is tied to our Title Grant Funds. Mr. Bohm also proposed some revisions and additions to the Student Handbook for FY2022.

LACC Report: Mrs. Graves reported that as of June 14th, enrollment is at 381 students which is a decrease of 1 student from this time last year. Preparations are in the works preparing for internships, job shadowing and work opportunities for FY 2021-2022. Also several students have been taking advantage of the summer skills builder time. The NTHS winners were Gracie Kerns and Alyssa Rodriguez. They each won a \$1,000 scholarship. CTEI has received all 11 payments of FY21 funds.

Personnel Recommendations:

Mr. Kilgore is also recommending the approval of the following employees:

- **Resignation of Dawn Dewald, Paraprofessional at the end of FY21.**
- **New Hires: Pamela Hill-Student Nurse, Special Education, Christina Hall-Paraprofessional (one-on-one student aide), Breana Noordhof-Paraprofessional (replace Dawn Dewald), Jacob Green, Summer Maintenance, and Amanda Hall, Flags Coach.**

Closed Session: Not Needed

Action Items:

Approve the Proposed Waiver to waive student tuition for children of PTHS District 90 FTE's pending the Illinois General Assembly for a period of 5 years:

A motion was made by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Sartoris to approve the student waiver as presented. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Clemmer Mrs. Masching, Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Sartoris voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the Resolution: A motion was made by Mr. Clemmer and seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing real or personal property, or both, in and for the District and for the issue of \$2,000,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2021, of the District, for the purpose of altering, repairing and equipping existing school buildings and facilities of the District and improving sites, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to Peoples National Bank of Kewanee as presented. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Masching, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lambert, and Mrs. Brainard voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the Authorization to pay bills resolution for July: A motion was made by Mrs. Brainard and seconded by Mr. Masching to approve a resolution for the BOE for the release and payment of all checks necessary to pay bills during the month of July. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Masching, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Brainard voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the recommended Commercial Liability Insurance proposal option 1 through Liberty Mutual Insurance and the Ramza Group effective July 1, 2021: A motion was made by Mr. Clemmer and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the commercial Liability Insurance, option 1, as presented. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Masching, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Brainard voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the Cafeteria Bids for 2021-2022 to Alpha (bread), Prairie Farms (milk) and Kohl Wholesale (overall vendor) as presented: A motion was made by Mrs. Brainard and was seconded by Mr. Clemmer to approve the 2021-2022 Cafeteria Bids as presented. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Masching, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea”. Motion Passed.

Approve the Annual Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing real or personal property, or both, in and for the District and for the issue of \$2,000,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2021, of the District, for the purpose of altering, repairing and equipping existing school buildings and facilities of the District and improving sites, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to Peoples National Bank of Kewanee : A motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Sartoris to approve the transportation resolution as presented: Motion passed on a voice vote.

Approve the ESSA District Consolidated Plan: Motion by Mr. Clemmer and seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve the plan as presented: Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Masching, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Clemmer, and Mr. Anderson voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Personnel Items as presented:

A motion was made by Mrs. Brainard and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the resignations of Dawn Dewald, Paraprofessional, at the end of FY2021 as presented. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Clemmer Mr. Masching and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

A motion was made Mr. Masching and seconded by Mr. Clemmer to approve the new hires for FY 2021-2022 as presented: Pamela Hill, Student Nurse (Special Education), Christina Hall and Breanna Noordhof as Paraprofessionals, Jacob Green, Summer Maintenance, and Amanda Hall, Flags Coach. Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Clemmer, Mr. Masching, and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea”. Motion Passed.

Upcoming Items, Activities and Meetings

Finance Committee – Monday, August 9, 2021 @ 5:45 p.m.

Next BOE Meeting – Monday, August 9, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Masching to adjourn the meeting at 8:16pm. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Schrock, President

Kelly Carter, Board Secretary