

MINUTES – Board of Education

Port Washington-Saukville School District

September 14, 2020

I. REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

President Brenda Fritsch called the regular meeting of the Port Washington-Saukville School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020, in the Port Washington High School Auxiliary Gym, 427 W. Jackson Street, Port Washington. Remote audio access was also made available to the public.

BOARD MEMEMBERS PRESENT: Kelly O'Connell-Perket, Yvonne Klotz, Brian McCutcheon, Aaron Paulin, Matthew Uselding, Douglas Mueller, Sara McCutcheon, Brian Stevens, Brenda Fritsch

EXCUSED: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Weber, Jim Froemming, Duane Woelfel, Chris Surfus, Heidi Belohlav, Thad Gabrielse, Nathan Hinze, John Bunyan, Jane Gennerman, Jeff Carron, Laura Rashid, Katie Schuster, Kimberly McKinney, Kristina Lak, Annie Schulz, 3 community members, and 1 call-in attendee

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PARENT/VISITOR PARTICIPATION/CONTRIBUTIONS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

J. Gennerman was in attendance with the new teachers, as part of their new teacher orientation program. The five new teachers in attendance (Katie Schuster, Kimberly McKinney, Kristina Lak, and Annie Schulz) introduced themselves to the Board. A sixth new teacher, Tom Rose, was unable to attend the meeting. President Fritsch, on behalf of the Board, thanked the new teachers for coming and welcomed them to the District on behalf of the Board.

Board members expressed their appreciation for all of the hard work that went in to preparing for the beginning of the school year. President Fritsch recognized Steve Guthrie and the custodial staff, Jim Froemming and the Technology Department staff, as well as the District secretaries, for all of their efforts that contributed to a successful start to the school year during these unprecedented times.

L. Rashid addressed the Board on behalf of the Port Washington-Saukville Education Association, providing an update on the successful start to the school year at the middle school and thanking Board members and administrators for including the teachers in the planning process.

Renee Knepfel (907 Niagara Lane, Port Washington) addressed the Board, asking when the students will be able to return to full-time schooling. B. Fritsch thanked Renee for coming, and Superintendent Weber let her know that someone from the District would get in touch with her to let her know the criteria the District has established for deciding when to transition back to fully in-person instruction.

There were no other parent/visitor comments on agenda and non-agenda items.

IV. STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT: None

V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

S. McCutcheon, seconded by K. O'Connell-Perket, moved to approve Consent Agenda items A-C and E, which includes Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 8/10/20; Approval of Committee Reports of 8/4/20; Approval of Salary Schedules #8.2, #8.3, and #9.1 (teachers only); and Approval of Schedule of Bills #9.1. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

K. O'Connell-Perket, seconded by B. McCutcheon, moved to approve Consent Agenda item D, Schedule of Bills #8.2. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, abstain; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

N. Hinze, T. Gabrielse, and J. Bunyan provided the Board with an update on fall sports.

T. Gabrielse, J. Bunyan, J. Carron, D. Woelfel, and C. Surfus gave a report on the first two weeks of school.

Dr. Weber and J. Carron provided an update on Character Counts.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(1) to fill extracurricular vacancies in the District. S. McCutcheon, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(1) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber requested confirming action to accept the resignation of Kaitlin Rouse from her position as an Eighth Grade Teacher. Y. Klotz, seconded by B. McCutcheon, moved to approve the resignation as presented, with the liquidated damages indicated. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber requested confirming action to accept the resignation of Tera Rogers from her position as the Middle School Business Education Teacher. K. O'Connell-Perket, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve the resignation as presented, with the liquidated damages indicated. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(2) to hire Kristina Lak as a Seventh Grade Teacher. K. O'Connell-Perket, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(2) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(3) to hire Thomas Rose as a Middle School Physical Education/Health Teacher. K. O'Connell-Perket, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(3) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(4) to hire Kimberly McKinney as a Math Specialist Coordinator for the District. K. O'Connell-Perket, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(4) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(5) to hire Elizabeth Allen, Bradley Karrels, Kimani Miller, Elizabeth Prince, and Leanne Schultz as Special Education Paraprofessionals for the District. S. McCutcheon, seconded by K. O'Connell-Perket, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(5) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(6) to hire Sara Baumann as a Technology Department Secretary (50% FTE) for the District. S. McCutcheon, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(6) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber presented Resolution 9/14/20(7) to hire Morgan Carder as a Head Cook at Thomas Jefferson Middle School. S. McCutcheon, seconded by Y. Klotz, moved to approve Resolution 9/14/20(7) as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weber provided an update on vacancies and district staff changes for the current school year.

J. Froemming gave the monthly budget update.

Policy Committee Chair M. Uselding presented new School Board Policies 2260.01 (Title IX Sexual Harassment) for a first and final reading by super-majority vote. M. Uselding, seconded by S. McCutcheon, moved to approve the new policy as presented. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, aye; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

M. Uselding, seconded by K. O'Connell-Perket, presented new Board ByLaw 0180 Advocacy for a first reading. Roll call vote: K. O'Connell-Perket, aye; B. McCutcheon, aye; Y. Klotz, aye; A. Paulin, aye; M. Uselding, aye; D. Mueller, aye; S. McCutcheon, aye; B. Stevens, nay; B. Fritsch, aye. Motion passed.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE/MANAGEMENT REPORTS or ANNOUNCEMENTS:

District-wide Committee Reports by Board Members: None

As part of the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Weber reminded the Board of upcoming Board training on September 21st and a special Board meeting at the end of October to certify the tax levy.

B. Fritsch and Dr. Weber shared upcoming Board meeting dates.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE: None

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, Y. Klotz, seconded by A. Paulin, moved to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: all aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly O'Connell-Perket
School Board Clerk