

Unofficial Meeting Minutes

The Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Chris Fegan at 6:00pm.

Members present: Chris Fegan, Tom Mann, Rebecca Harvey, Karen Rothfuss, Mike Austin, Jeremy Koch and Michael Tindall.

Agenda was approved by Austin, supported by Koch. Amended to include Walk to School Update (Kathy O'Mara) under Old Business - B. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

Motion by Rothfuss, supported by Tindall to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on April 6, 2020. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

Motion by Rothfuss, supported by Austin to approve the Treasurer's report. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

COMMUNICATION

- A. Correspondence - none
- B. Public Questions/Comments - none

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Superintendent Search
Fegan commented that the search is going well. Applications are due by May 1, 2020 and the Board will have the applications by May 4, 2020. Would like to set up a Special Board Meeting on May 11, 2020 at 6:00pm to discuss the candidates. Motion by Rothfuss to approve the meeting date and time; support by Koch. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)
- B. Walk to School Program
Kathy O'Mara commented on the success of the Walk to School Program this year. She was very pleased with the attendance and noted the three top walkers. Ms. O'Mara would like to bring back the Wednesday walks once the stay in place order is lifted. Fegan thanked Ms. O'Mara for her dedication to the program and how it has grown under her care.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. General Fund Amendment
The Board approved the General Fund Amendment as presented; Austin supported the motion by Koch. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)
- B. Community Service Amendment
The Board approved the Community Service Amendment as presented; motion by Rothfuss, support by Koch. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

C. Food Service Amendment

The Board approved the Food Service Amendment as presented; motion by Koch, support by Rothfuss. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

D. Student Activity Amendment

The Board approved the Student Activity Amendment as presented; Koch supported the motion by Rothfuss. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

E. Pleasant Lake Capital Projects Amendment

The Board approved the Pleasant Lake Capital Projects Amendment as presented; Austin supported the motion by Tindall. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

F. Chromebook Purchase

The Board approved the purchase of Chromebooks as presented; motion by Rothfuss, support from Koch. This is from the third phase of the Bond Initiative. Koch commented on the good rate, which Mr. Graden (Interim Superintendent) concurred and commented that these have become invaluable tools. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

G. SETSEG - Reduce Liability on the Ackerson Building

The Board approved reducing the liability on the Ackerson Building as presented; motion by Rothfuss, support from Koch. Fegan expressed the nice work that Ms. Leib (Business Manager) has done with this. Harvey questioned who has keys to the building and that they should be returned. Mr. Graden will check into this and make sure only emergency personnel have keys. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

H. Community Resource Center - Extension of Contract

The Board approved extending the contract with CRC through August 2020; motion by Austin, support from Fegan. Mr. Graden commented that the new Superintendent should make the determination on the contract conditions. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

PERSONNEL REPORT

A. New Hires

Department	Position	Name	As of Date	District	EDUstaff
Athletics	Varsity Volleyball Coach	Wendy Gebhardt	4/12/2020		X

The Board accepted the new hires as presented. Motion by Austin, support from Tindall. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

B. Retiring

1. Lois Bohl

The Board accepted Ms. Bohl's retirement as a Special Education teacher as presented. Motion by Koch, support from Tindall. Fegan offered Ms. Bohl many thanks for her service to MCS. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

2. Kathy O'Mara

The Board accepted Ms. O'Mara's retirement after 37 years of service, 33 years as an elementary teacher as presented. Tindall supported Koch' motion. Fegan offered many thanks. Ms O'Mara commented that she has had a great career at MCS and thanked everyone for their support throughout the years, but it's been the kids that she will miss the most. Roll call vote: All yes (7-0)

DISCUSSION ITEMS/REPORTS

A. Klager & Riverside Intermediate

Ms. Charney thanked M. Maisano for his hard work getting the kindergarten enrollment information on-line.

B. Jr/Sr High School

Mr. E. McCalla thanked his staff for all of their hard work. At present 26 push packets will be ready for pick-up tomorrow.

C. Athletic Department

D. Technology

E. Business Office

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT (Mr. Graden)

- Felt very welcomed by all at MCS
- MCS has great workers, they just needed support
- Continuity of Learning Plan has been approved by the State; devices have been handed out, external internet access point has been installed, great idea to use Think Stretch for K-6 (Saline is going to adopt as well)
- Mowing will begin this week (weather permitting)
- Food Service is the model for the county. L. Garrison and her staff are doing a great job. Thanked B. O'Brien and his team for moving food around because of a broken freezer.
- Working with Randy Smith on the plant sale. Target date of Saturday, May 16 at 10:00am
- Working with MECC on the summer program
- Collaborating with teachers
- Going to work with the Board on the Superintendent search
- Great work on the virtual Board Meetings

Tindall thanked Mr. Graden for all he has done thus far; Fegan concurred.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Gerbe commented on the virtual meeting - great way for more people to be able to attend.

Manchester Community Schools - Board of Education Regular Meeting via Google Meet
April 20, 2020 - 6:00pm

UPCOMING DATES

May 11, 2020 - Board of Education Special Meeting - Superintendent Search

May 18, 2020 - Board of Education Regular Meeting

Fegan wanted MCS staff to know although the end of year celebration won't likely happen in June it won't be forgotten and will be held in August / September

OTHER

Fegan - Football field will be lit up tonight at 8:20pm for the seniors.

Jacob Mann - Thanked the administrators and teachers for their hard work; Mr. Graden for coming on board; and food service for doing such a great job.

Megan Mann - Thanked those teachers that have been reaching out to students on a regular basis.

Ms. Charney - Administrative Assistant's Day is Wednesday; she thanked them for all they do.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Fegan, supported by Rothfuss to adjourn meeting at 6:41pm