

Minutes for March 18, 2020 School Board Meeting Holdingford Public School

Chair Christensen called the regular meeting of the school Board of Independent School District #738 to order at 6:00 in the LMC.

Pledge was recited.

Members present: Evelyn Martini, Elissa Ebnet, Ben Christensen, Lori Opatz, Robb Knettel, and Pat Meier.
Member absent: Ed Feia.

Also attending was Superintendent Chris Swenson.

Motion by Martini, second by Ebnet, to approve the amended agenda. Items added: 6.8. Approve contract for fiber optic cable to transportation shop and press box with Systematic Technologies for a total cost of \$27,978; 6.9. Approve Change Order 005 totaling \$49,360.95 for soil corrections, storm drain upsize, casework changes in room 113 & solid surface on benches in commons area. Motion carried. All In Favor (AIF).

Motion by Meier, second by Opatz, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: approval of the minutes from the Feb. 19, 2020 School Board meeting and the March 4, 2020 Work Session; approval of the schedule of bills in the amount of \$682,422.98 computer checks 83968-84092; approval of the electronic transfer for Feb. \$1,646,550.64; the Treasurer's Report balance per books \$11,413,805.48 for month of Feb; accept donations \$200 from St. Stephen Sportsmen Club and \$250 from St. Stephen Legion Post #221; approval of Policy 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEPs from School Grounds, Policy 534 Unpaid Meal Charges and Procedures, Policy 601 School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals, Policy 603 Curriculum Development; and approval of spring coaches.

On roll call voting in favor: Martini, Christensen, Meier, Opatz, Ebnet, and Knettel. Voting against: None. Motion carried. Board Chair Christensen thanked the St. Stephen Sportsmen Club and St. Stephen Legion Post #221 for their generous donations!

Reports

Building Update: Mr. Swenson explained that currently the construction is going on as planned and the furniture will be ordered now incase shipping becomes a problem with the COVID19 Crisis. He then went through the Change Orders.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Swenson thanked the entire staff for taking charge and helping out, 80 meals went out on Wed. to students, childcare is running smoothly, the majority of student belongs have been picked up, a leave memo went out to staff to clarify expectations. Distance Learning Plan is progressing nicely, and the Tech Dept. is working on a plan to get devices out if necessary. He updated the Board on Custodial interviews and clock replacement.

Ms. Martini on behalf of the board thanked the Administration and staff for all the extra efforts needed these last few days.

BSED Report Martini reported the meeting was postponed to next week.

Business

Motion by Knettel, second by Opatz, to approve Contract with Marco Technologies, LLC for the sound system expansion in the Theater at a total cost of \$43,017.85. Motion carried. AIF.

Motion by Meier, second by Martini, to approve Junior High Targeted Services Summer School Program and Budget. Motion carried. AIF.

Motion by Meier, second by Ebnet, to approve a Co-op with Upsala ISD #487 for Girls and Boys Cross Country starting in the fall of 2020. Motion carried. AIF.

The meeting continued with the first reading of Policy 611 Home Schooling; Policy 618 Assessment of Student Achievement; Policy 623 Mandatory Summer School Instruction; and Policy 703 Annual Audit.

Motion by Meier, second by Knettel, to approve Contract with Systematic Technologies at a total cost of \$27,978 for the fiber optic cable to the transportation building and the press box. Motion carried. AIF.

Motion by Ebnet, second by Opatz, to approve Change Order 005 at a total cost of \$49,360.95 for soil corrections, storm drain upsize, and casework changes in room 113 and solid surface on benches in commons area. Motion carried. AIF.

Personnel

Motion by Meier, second by Knettel, to accept resignation from Head Custodian Jim Novak effective 3/6/2020. Motion carried. AIF.

Motion by Meier, second by Opatz, to approve MOU to add Extra Assignment of DECA Advisor to the Education Holdingford Agreement for the 2020-2021 school year and to place this assignment at a Category 10 on the Extra Assignment Schedule. Motion carried. AIF.

Motion by Martini, second by Ebnet, for authorization to hire Hannah Carlson for the Long Term Substitute School Counselor position for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried. AIF.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Work Session April 1, 2020 @ 6:00 PM in the Board Room
POC meeting April 8, 2020 @ 8:00 AM in the Board Room
Regular Board meeting April 15, 2020 @ 6:00 PM in the LMC

The agenda was completed at 6:47 PM with a motion to adjourn by Martini, second by Ebnet. Motion carried. AIF.

Respectfully Submitted by
Evelyn Martini, Clerk