

North Pekin-Marquette Heights School District No. 102
Committee of the Board of Education
September 8, 2020
Georgetowne Middle School

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

President Knox called the meeting to order at 6 PM in the Georgetowne library. Mr. Sondgeroth took board attendance. Members who were present are marked with an "X".

Knox	Higdon	Shockley	Buhl	Therry	Vo	Williams
X	absent	X	X	X	absent	X

Others Present: Mr. Sondgeroth

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

Building and Grounds

GMS Gym – Mr. Sondgeroth informed the Board that the Tiger wall graphics was installed by Deverman Advertising on Tuesday afternoon. They will return later in the week to install the school song banner. He offered to take them to the gym after the Board meeting to show them the progress.

Transportation

New Driver – Mr. Sondgeroth said he had received two applications for a 4th driver. He will reach out to them this week to talk about the position.

Finances

Tentative FY21 Budget – Mr. Sondgeroth briefly highlighted some of the challenges to finalizing this year's budget.

Personnel

Superintendent Questions – The Board briefly discussed the process it will use to create topics/questions it wants to us for a prospective superintendent candidate.

Employment Recommendations – Justin Hoffman has interviewed and selected a second shift custodian for Rogers School. The candidate will begin the week before the next Board meeting, where official Board approval on the candidate's employment will be made.

Enrollments/Fall Return to School – Mr. Sondgeroth shared the current enrollments for this year in comparison to previous years. Overall, the district's enrollment continues to show a significant decline in numbers.

Policy

Review of PRESS Issue 105 Policy Updates Memo – Mr. Sondgeroth shared a copy of PRESS Issue 105, addressing policies 2:260, 2:265, 5:10, 5:20, 5:100, 5:200, 5:220, 5:330, 7:10, 7:20, 7:180 and 7:18.

Board Policy 4:140 – This policy deals with fee waivers. It has been updated to address providing a reduced registration or book fee to parents whose children qualify for a reduced lunch. The Board will take action to approve the updated policy at the regular meeting next month.

Revisions to 20-21 School Calendar - When the ISBE finally rolled out all final changes for this year's calendar; it told district's that calendars this year would likely be fluid, with several changes throughout the year. ISBE provided the district with five additional Remote Learning Planning Days to use. With the challenges teachers are facing to provide in-person and remote learning at the same time, District 102 plans to take two of these Remote Planning Days in the coming weeks. One is scheduled for Sept. and one is scheduled for Oct. A copy of the updated calendar was shared with the Board.

Other Items from the Superintendent and Board Members

Return to School Topic – Mr. Sondgeroth briefly discussed the challenges and successes the District has faced with the return to school during this pandemic.

Board Elections – Mr. Sondgeroth briefly discussed the Board election process as it will soon be time for interested candidates to start circulating petitions.

Update on TIF – Mr. Sondgeroth informed the Board that he participated in a recent Zoom meeting with Pekin City officials and local Superintendents whose districts would be impacted by the proposed Court Street TIF district which extends north from Pekin into District 102's boundaries. Mr. Sondgeroth will continue working with school leaders from Districts 108 and 303 to learn how his TIF will impact the school districts.


Change in September Board Meeting – This is a reminder that the Sept. Board meeting has changed from Tuesday, Sept. 22 to Tuesday, Sept. 29.

ADJOURN

Motion by Buhl to adjourn at 6:43 PM. Second by Williams. Motion passed by acclamation.



Keith Knox, President



Andrew Shockley, Secretary