

MT. PLEASANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Special Board Meeting Minutes – July 27, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was held on July 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mgtujiP9QOeUdUVAgk0dOg

Board Members Present:

Tim Odykirk, President; Amy Bond, Vice-President; Brandon McQueen, Treasurer; John Mozurkewich, Secretary; Sheila Murphy, Trustee; Courtney Stegman, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Beth Sorenson Prince, Trustee

Administration Present:

Panelists: Superintendent Jennifer Verleger, Asst. Superintendent Linda Boyd, CFO Ginger Faber, Pullen Principal Diane Falsetta, Vowles Principal Kim Bishop, MPHS Principal John Winkler, MPMS Principal Darby Weaver, GI-TEC Director Mary Kay Voeks, Facilities Director Josh Rhodes

Guests:

Panelist: Deb Ervin. The following names are guest names provided via their Zoom identity: Adrienne Mitchell, Aimee Murphy, Brook Payton, Carlie Lux, Cnn, Delayne Schutt, Delphine Rossignal, Doug Kendrick, Eilsabeth Garcia, Eric Rohman, James Batcheller, Jane Jones, Jessica Lapp, Jodi Fisher, Josh Adams, Joshua Ayerdi, Katarina Rhyner, Maria Mink, MHaggart, Neil Christinsen, Pat Heitman, Quana Hoffman, Roxanne Fleer, Sarah Hicks, Riley Justis, Tara McCathy, Verna Holley, Wendy Epple, Tiffanie Phelps, Wiline Pangle, William Dennis, 9893170603, Allyson Klak, Andrea Moore, April Scott, Brian Chess, CP, Christine Rudert, Clifford Sian, Eric Baerren, Faith, Grace Rollins, Jennifer Galloway, Jessica Jerigan, John Bunting, John Klak, Katheryn, MacWilliams, Kartin Piatek-Himenez, Kristin Willey, Bristin Batzner, Virginia Richardson, Becky Hansen, Kelli Strom, Laura Angera, Lisa Yannick Litwiller, Michele Leiter, Mindy Wischmeyer, Paul Dunn, Rachael Shilman, Rachel Jaksa, RDH, Shara LeValley, Shari Norman, Stefanie Sedler, Steven Gorsich, Susan Brown, Tracy McDonald, Alexia Torres, Nicole Koch, Tiffany Beckman

CALL TO ORDER

President Tim Odykirk called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

John Mozurkewich called the roll.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by general consent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Amy Bond seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Brandon McQueen, Sheila Murphy, John Mozurkewich, Tim Odykirk, Courtney Stegman

NAYES: None

Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

CITIZENS REQUEST TO ADDRESS BOARD

President Tim Odykirk asked if anyone would like to address the Board of Education with respect to Agenda items. The following people addressed the Board of Education regarding a format for return to school in the fall. Eric Rohman, Alexia Torres, Andrew Schoenborn, Amanda Carey, John Klak, Stefanie Sedlar, Nicole Koch, Wendy Epple, Riley Justis, Jessica Lapp, Tiffany Beckman, and Quana Hoffman. Emails were read from the following people: Aimee Murphy, Madeline Blanco, Crina Octavia, Roxanne Moreno, Melissa Haggart, Holly Burke, Leah Heil, Katarina Marcinekova, Jessica Jernigan, Bridgette Bridget, Kelli Strom, Rachael Shilman, Pat Nunn, Robert and Denise Fanning, Thomas Gehring, Dayna Lada, and Amy Ford. President Tim Odykirk thanked the above people for sharing their comments.

RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger shared the MPPS Return to School Plan, together with the following presenters: Kim Bishop, Vowles Principal; Darby Weaver, Middle School Principal; John Winkler, High School Principal; Josh Rhodes, Facilities Director; Ginger Faber, CFO; Linda Boyd for “Oilers Online”; and Diane Falsetta, Pullen Principal and representing the Balanced Calendar program. All presenters shared the many, many safety precautions that will take place in the buildings for a “Face to Face” return to school, together with, but not limited to, passing time, lunch and breakfast times, specials/fine arts instruction, staff/guests/volunteer protocols, and extracurricular participation. Facilities Director Josh Rhodes reviewed the general safety and cleaning protocols and CFO Ginger Faber reviewed the protocols for the cafeterias and classrooms during meal time. Assistant Superintendent Linda Boyd shared the “Oilers Online” program with the public and Pullen Principal Diane Falsetta gave an overview of the Balanced Calendar program that will take place at Pullen and McGuire schools.

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger stated that the administration will continue to work with staff and parents and share additional information as it becomes available. We will also hold parent information meetings, building open houses and orientations, and Kindergarten Kick Off sessions. In order for the Balanced Calendar program to begin on August 5th, the Board of Education would need to approve the Return to School Plan relating to the Balanced Calendar program during this meeting. For the remainder of the Traditional Calendar program, a Return to School Plan for the 2020-21 school year will need to be approved by August 17, 2020.

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The administration is recommending that the Board of Education approve the MPPS Return to School Plan as presented which includes an option for “Face to Face” education or “Oilers Online”. Questions and answers followed the above presentations.

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the Return to School Plan for the Balanced Calendar program effective August 5, 2020. Brandon McQueen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Brandon McQueen, Sheila Murphy, John Mozurkewich, Tim Odykirk

NAYES: Courtney Stegman

Motion passed with a 5 - 1 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The Special Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 p.m. by general consent.

APPROVED:

Secretary, Board of Education

Recording Secretary

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