

Open Meeting Minutes

Date: July 21, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm.

Location: Cafeteria

Type of meeting: ☒ Regular ☐ Special ☐ Reconvened or rescheduled ☐ Emergency

Name of person taking the minutes: Kimberley Hassell

Name of person presiding: Board President Kurt Belcher

Members in attendance:

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

Members absent:

Meier
Goldsboro

Others in attendance: Mr. Venhaus, Mr. March, Courtney Phelps, Andrea Thompson, Ty Bates, Theresa Landreth

2. Approval of Agenda

List any items removed or added to the agenda: None

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

☐ To amend items as follows:

(No action may be taken on new agenda items.)

Motion seconded by: Burks

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Roll Call: *(Needed when agenda contains an item involving the expenditure of money.)*

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

3. Public Comment: None

4. Approval of Items on Consent Agenda

- a. Approve minutes of Regular Board Meeting June 16, 2022
- b. Payment of bills as presented
- c. Approve June Payroll
- d. Approve June Treasurer's Report

List any items removed from the consent agenda: None

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by: Payne

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call: *(Needed when consent agenda contains an item involving the expenditure of money.)*

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

5. Superintendent's report

Agenda item 5A: End of FY2022 Budget Report

Mr. Venhaus went over the FY2022 yearend budget report. He explained that the CPPRT receipts for the year had exceeded the budgeted amount and left the district in a very good financial position. He also explained that due to the extra CPPRT the district was able to pay of the IMRF Early Retirement account.

Agenda item 5B: Registration August 3, 2022 from 9 am to 6 pm.

Mr. Venhaus informed the board of the registration date for FY2023. Mr. Burks asked if the gym floor was being refinished this year. Mr. Venhaus said that work was to begin in about two weeks.

Agenda item 5C: Maintenance/Custodian Report

Mr. Venhaus went over the Maintenance Directors job list of completions and work yet to complete.

Agenda item 5D: School Safety Update

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that he had met with the school safety committee prior to the board meeting and that they had discussed setting goals in regards to safety; that all of the wooden door frames had been replaced with steel frames and that there would be one master key for the entire buildings internal doors; that he had an outside speaker installed; he had ordered a key fob system as to ensure that the exterior doors would remain closed and locked all day while students are present. He explained that the internal room doors are to be kept locked during the day while students are present. Mr. Venhaus also explained that he and Mr. March are reviewing all safety protocols as to ensure that all staff are following procedures.

Mr. Venhaus said the ROE was providing social emotional learning allowing students to access additional resources.

Agenda item 5E: RISE Program Update

Mr. Venhaus explained the RISE Program. He explained that it would allow students to attend classes at other schools virtually and that we could in turn offer the same type of classroom to other districts as well. He added that in order to offer this it would require a mobile unit cart for about 40K, but that a grant would cover most of that cost leaving only about 6K for the district to pay and that Centralia was writing the grant.

6. Principal Report

Mr. March provided the board with his entry plan. He explained that he had been working with Keri Garrett bringing him up to speed where she is at with the curriculum development and staff professional development. He also went over several webinars that he has attended over the summer.

He added that he is hosting a meet and greet.

7. New Business

a. Covid return to school plan.

Mr. Venhaus provided the board with the IDPH Covid 19 Prevention in Schools Manual. He explained that he would need a return to school plan prior to FY2023 and recommended that the board approve to follow the IDPH Guidelines. He explained that we would still be offering remote learning for students who are quarantined and/or be positive for Covid.

8. Motion to Adjourn to Executive/Closed Session –

Motion to made by: Payne

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 “Yeas” 0 “Nays”

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Time of adjournment: 7:23 PM

Motion out of Executive/Closed Session –

Motion to made by: Payne

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 “Yeas” 0 “Nays”

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Time of adjournment: 8:16 PM

9. Items Requiring Action

Agenda item A: Consideration to approve resignation(s).

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve the resignations of Tom Chapman as assistant Baseball Coach, Justin Wilkerson as JH Softball Coach and Chuck Garrett as JH Softball and Girls Basketball Coach?

Motion made by: Adams

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Payne

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9B: Consideration to approve employment(s).

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve to hire Chris Murray as Assistant JH Baseball Coach?

Motion made by: Burks

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Payne

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve to hire Jessica Thompson as the Pre K Teacher?

Motion made by: Adams

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Payne

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve to hire Heather Montes as the Pre K Classroom Aide?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Adams

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas"

0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Summary of discussion: In regards to the currently open 5th grade teaching position; shall the board approve the Superintendent, Justin Venhaus to hire a qualified candidate to fill this position prior to the start of the 2022/2023 school year?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Adams

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas"

0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9C: Consideration to approve tentative school district budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year with the hearing for said budget to be set for the September regularly scheduled board meeting.

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve the FY 2023 tentative district budget?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Adams

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9D: Consideration of moving the regularly scheduled board meeting and final budget hearing in September from September 15 to September 22, 2022.

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve to move the meeting to the 22nd?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9E: Consideration to purchase a salad bar front of school window graphic coverings and four additional security cameras?

Summary of discussion:

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Adams

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9F: Consideration to update PRESS Policy 7:180?

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve to update PRESS Policy 7:180?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Adams

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9G: Consideration of high school math curriculum change and elementary intervention change for FY23 school year and elementary math change for FY24?

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve the above mentioned items.

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9H: Consideration of Threat Assessment and Management Plan FY2023.

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve the proposed Threat Assessment and Management Plan?

Motion made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Huffman

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Agenda item 9I: Consideration of approval to allowing Mr. Venhaus to hire the positions of JH Softball Coaches, the 5th grade teacher, the available paraprofessional position and the open kitchen position.

Summary of discussion: Shall the board approve the above mentioned items.

Motion made by: Adams

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Burks

Roll Call

1. Burks
2. Payne
3. Adams
4. Belcher
5. Huffman

5 "Yeas" 0 "Nays"

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Motion to Adjourn:

Approval of Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by: Payne

Motion: ☒ To approve

Motion seconded by: Burks

Action: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed

Time of adjournment: 8:31 PM

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY