

Patoka Community Unit School District #100

Board of Education Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2024 - 6:00 PM

Location: High School Library

Minutes recorded by: Kimberley Hassell, Board Recording Secretary

Meeting Presided by: Board President Andy Goldsboro

Pledge of Allegiance.....

1. Call the Regular Monthly Meeting to Order/Roll Call

- a. Members present: Andrea Thompson, Jeremy Landreth, Russell Adams, Andy Goldsboro, Cassie Huffman, Mark Payne, Kurtis Belcher
- b. Members absent:
- c. Non-Members present: Superintendent Justin Venhaus, Principal Phillip March

2. Motion to Approve the Agenda:

- a. Motion by Payne, second by Belcher to approve the Agenda as it stands.
- b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

3. Public Comment: NONE

4. Consent Agenda:

- a. **Approve minutes of regular monthly board meeting held on February 15, 2024.**
- b. **Approve payment of paid bills and bills payable**
- c. **Approve February payroll**
- d. **Approve Treasurer's Report**
- e. **Approve IHSA membership for 2024-2025 and adopt constitution**

- a. Motion by Payne, second by Belcher to approve the Consent Agenda as it stands.
- b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

5. Superintendent's Report

- a. Maintenance report - Item #2 – Item #3
Mr. Venhaus presented the board with the maintenance report which included; the aluminum bleachers have been delivered, the weight room is completed and the occupancy permit has been approved, the demo on the softball field bleachers is complete, the culvert has be repaired, the heat pump that serves the high school first floor has failed an electronic valve and compressor, the electronic valve has been installed and the compressor part is scheduled to be delivered on April 1st. The sound system speakers have been blown and quotes for new are pending. He added that Tom had purchased some new tools to be able to work on the heating and cooling system himself to save the district money.

b. 2024-2025 school calendar

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that he has begun to work with the teachers on the school calendar for next year and that he has asked for the teachers to form a calendar committee to assist.

6. Principal Report

Mr. March provided the board with upcoming dates/events, discipline. He added that there was a great turnout for family reading night and little warrior night and that the 5essential survey is complete.

7. Discussion

a. Little Six Conference

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that Mrs. Pearce had reached out to the Oil Belt Conference to see if they were interested in expanding. The board discussed the Little Six Conference.

b. Eclipse

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that several schools are shutting down for the upcoming eclipse and a few are doing half days. The board discussed staying in session or shutting down for that day and decided to make it an educational day for the students.

c. Concrete by weight room and extending sidewalk

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that he would like to pour concrete sidewalks in front of the weight room and student drop off area. The board agreed.

d. Alternative Learning Opportunities (ALOP)

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that he along with Ms. Meng and Mr. March met with the Regional Office Superintendent to discuss getting an advocacy person such as a social worker; it would be a program through the ROE and would cost the district around fifty seven thousand the first year and would then be free after that. He added discussion about a senior plus program to ensure students graduate and an emotional fragile program to help students navigate/handle school.

e. Metal Detectors

Mr. Venhaus provided a facetime meeting with the suppliers of the detectors for the board to ask any and all questions that they still have.

f. JH Softball Co-op

Mr. Venhaus opened a discussion about a co-op with Odin for JH Softball. The board consensus was that Patoka would be the host school as we are currently updating the softball field and bleachers. Mr. Goldsboro and Mr. Belcher will be meeting with Odin to discuss.

g. Transportation Contract

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that the transportation bid specs were complete. Mr. Venhaus provided the board with some estimated numbers on what it would cost to transport students to co-op schools for practices; he also informed them that the state does not reimburse for any extracurricular transportation. He asked the board if they wanted all sports transported for practices or just certain ones. The board asked for some more information and some more solid numbers.

h. Office and storage space creation

Mr. Venhaus informed the board that the district is in need of more office space for the coming School Resource Officer and possibly a new Social Worker. He provided the board with a drawing that Mr. Chapman had made that included reconstruction of the music room and the offices that are currently attached to that room, he added that Mr. Chapman feels that he can complete the project for ten to fifteen thousand dollars.

8. Motion to adjourn to executive session - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee, independent contractor, or volunteer of the district. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.

a. Motion by Payne, second by Landreth to adjourn to executive session.....

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y (Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

Time: 7:04

a. Motion by Belcher, second by Adams to return to regular session.....

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y (Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

Time: 7:52 PM

9. Items Requiring Action

a. Consideration of resignation(s)

Motion to approve the resignations of Stephanie Burgher as JH Cheerleading Coach, Kevin Thompson as JH Assistant Softball Coach and Tammy Adams as head cook effective August 1st, 2024.

a. Motion by Belcher, second by Payne to approve.

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y (Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

b. Consideration of employment(s) NONE

c. Consideration to oil and chip the parking lot

Motion to approve oiling and chipping the parking lot with Vandalia Asphalt Service

a. Motion by Payne, second by Landreth

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

d. Consideration to send transportation contracts out for bid – Item #2

Motion to approve sending transportation contracts out for bid

a. Motion by Payne, second by Huffman

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

e. Consideration of change to agriculture course offerings

Motion to approve changing the agriculture course offerings.

a. Motion by Payne, second by Belcher

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

f. Consideration of purchasing metal detectors TABLED

10. Motion to Adjourn

a. Motion by Belcher, second by Payne to approve adjournment

b. All in Favor: Thompson: Y, Landreth: Y, Adams: Y, Goldsboro: Y, Huffman: Y, Payne: Y, Belcher: Y
(Approve: 7) (Opposed: 0) Motion Passed

Time of adjournment: 8:45 PM

Andy Goldsboro, President

Cassie Huffman, Board Secretary