# REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION NEOGA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #3 Thursday January 9, 2020 6:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Neoga Community Unit School District #3 was held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2019 in the Board of Education Office.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: Present: Julie Butler, Shawn Finney, Gerald Hanfland, Michelle Sheehan, Brian Titus, Chuck Campbell Absent: Don Strohl

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **RECEPTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mr, Kerry Wolff introduced himself to the board as one of the Republican candidates for Congress.

**NEOGA SPIRIT RECIPIENTS:** Mrs. Denise Helmers recognized the elementary students that were honored for "Act Responsibly" in the month of December – Bentley Bright, Ben Hakman, Jace McKay, Amari Rivers, Camille Smith, Maribel Stodden, Annabelle Frankie, Charlotte Hakman, Grady Haarman, Graydon Mendenhall, Cheyanne Ames, Lily Whitaker.

**<u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>**: Motion by Hanfland, seconded by to Sheehan to pull item 6.2 payment of bills and:

Approve December 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes, December 12, 2019 closed session meeting minutes, December 18, 2019 special meeting minutes, and December 18, 2019 closed session minutes approve December payroll – Education Fund \$286,845.63, Building Fund \$18,486.07, Transportation Fund \$14,346.43 for a total of \$319,678.13. approve NES, NJSHS Activity Accounts approve donation to NES from New Hope Church

<u>VOTE</u>: Yea: Finney, Hanfland, Sheehan, Titus, Butler, Campbell Absent: Strohl

**<u>PAYMENT OF BILLS</u>**: Motion by Sheehan, seconded by Hanfland to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$65,008.60.

**<u>VOTE</u>:** Yea: Hanfland, Sheehan, Butler, Finney Campbell Abstain: Titus Absent: Strohl APPROVAL Of SUBMISSION OF STATE MAINTENANCE GRANT: Motion by Titus,

seconded by Finney to approve the submission of the State Maintenance Grant.

**<u>VOTE</u>:** Yea: Sheehan, Titus, Butler, Finney, Hanfland, Campbell Absent: Strohl

# **INFORMATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

Mr. Fritcher reported that he is currently working on the REAP Grant, updated the board on Sales Tax money, State payments and Water/Electricity usage.

Mrs. Helmers reported that Ms. Majors and the elementary student put on a great Christmas program. PTO now has a cooler at the elementary school for concessions and the Bingo night will be held on January 25<sup>th</sup>. It was also mentioned that Sarah Dillingham is helping to assess Math and that Mrs. Bear, Mrs. Brandenburg, Mr. Rowley, and Mr. Williams have been helping students at recess time.

Mr. Haarman reported on Homecoming was enjoyed by all. Brooke Rupel and Trenton Moore were named Homecoming Queen and King. Maintenance worked hard over Christmas break to get projects completed. A big thanks to the PTO for providing lunch for faculty and staff on the teacher institute day.

Dean of Students /Athletic Director written report was presented with December attendance and discipline. Additional comments made were: Student attendance is up and discipline is down, and the HS Boys and Girls Varsity experience at the Hoosier Gym.

**MONTHLY CASH FLOW REPORT:** Mr. Fritcher presented the board the monthly cash flow report.

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:** The board discussed how the direction of the academic programs for the district and the future enrollment numbers for the elementary.

### CLOSED SESSION FOR EXCEPTION 1, THE EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY; EXCEPTION 2, COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTERS BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD AND ITS EMPLOYEES OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, OR DELIBERATIONS CONCERNING SALARY SCHEDULES FOR ONE OR MORE EMPLOYEES; EXCEPTION 11, PENDING LITIGATION:

Motion by Michelle Sheehan, seconded by Shawn Finney to go into closed session at 7:04 p.m. for closed session for exception 1, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; exception 2, collective bargaining matters between the school board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more employees, exception 11, pending litigation.

**<u>VOTE</u>:** Yea: Butler, Finney, Hanfland, Sheehan, Titus, Campbell Absent: Strohl

The Board returned from closed session at 7:55 p.m.

<u>ACCEPT RESIGNATION</u>: Motion by Titus, seconded by Sheehan to approve resignation of Amanda Osborn as paraprofessional for NCUSD#3. Motion carried

**<u>APPROVE EMPLOYMENT</u>**: Motion by Butler, seconded by Hanfland to employ Brach Miller as paraprofessional for NCUSD#3 and April Banning as NHS Musical Director.

**<u>VOTE</u>:** Yea: Titus, Butler, Finney, Hanfland, Sheehan, Campbell Absent: Strohl

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS: No new topic for discussion at this time.

**<u>NEXT MEETING</u>**: Regular meeting, February 13, 2020 at 6:30 pm at the Board of Education Office.

**ADJOURNMENT**: Motion by Titus, seconded by Butler to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried.

Secretary, Board of Education

President, Board of Education