

**1. Call to Order**

President Drigger called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Carson Breed, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen, Mike Plourde  
Absent: Steve Harkess  
Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Jenna Miller

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

Moving #5 Comments from the Community to follow #15. Superintendent's Report.

**5. Comments from the Community**

**6. Correspondence**

1-Thank you card from Megan Forsythe for the cookie bouquet bought for her son Sam following his surgery.

**7. Consent Items**

**Items recommended for the consent agenda are:**

- Approval of Personnel
  - **Certified New Hire**
    - Angela Schmitt, School Psychologist
  - **Non-Certified New Hire**
    - Wade Kretsinger, Director Facilities & Grounds, Effective 6/7/2021
    - Ashley Mumma, Library Assistant @WPES, Effective 8/18/2021
    - Alli Bilodeau, Paraprofessional @RGS/WPES, Effective 8/18/2021
    - Julie Ennett, EC Paraprofessional @RGS, Effective 8/18/2021
  - **Stipend New Hire**
    - Tim Lake, 7th Grade Soccer Coach, Effective 21-22 school year
    - Sarah Stitt, Cheer Coach, Effective 21-22 school year
  - **Stipend Transfer**
    - Micheyla DiDomenico, Transfer from 7th Grade to 8th Grade VB Coach
  - **Non-Certified Resignation/Retire**
    - Spring Eldridge, Library Aid @WPES, Effective 6/4/2021
    - Carrie Human, 8th Grade VB Coach, Effective 5/21/2021
    - Jennifer Geary, PT Nurse @WPES, Effective 6/4/2021
    - Adam Ayoubi, FT Custodian @WPES, Effective 6/5/2021
    - Justin Moriarty, FT Custodian @RGS, Effective 6/4/2021
    - James Hall, Tech Specialist, Effective 6/30/2021
    - Jocelyn Allen, Para @RGS, Effective 6/11/2021
    - Dulce Mariaca (Martin), Para @SMMS, Effective 6/11/2021
    - Gloria Aguirre, EC Para @RGS, Effective 6/14/2021
    - Ryan Burke, Para @SMMS, Effective 6/17/2021
- Approval of RSD #140 June 2021 bills \$441,309.34, June 2021 Payroll Liabilities \$591,016.55, June Activity Expenditures \$1,104.75, May Revenue Report, May Operating Funds Summary, May 2021 Treasurer's Report
- Approval of May 19, 2021 BOE Minutes
- Approval of June 9, 2021 COW Minutes
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative May 2021 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report

- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative May 2021 Financial Reports
- Approval of WCSEC Teacher's Contract with Carol Burow
- Approval of WCSEC Speech Pathologist's Contract with Taylor Cross
- Approval of School Psychologist's Contract with Ashley Ulferts

Scott Robinson motioned to approve the above referenced consent agenda, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

Roll Call: Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Cynthia Driggers

Motion Passed.

**8. Approval of Milk and Bread Contract Rollover**

Approval was requested on the bid from our bread and milk vendors. This is a joint district agreement involving Hononegah, Kinnikinnick, Prairie Hill, Shirland and South Beloit school districts.

Mary Newman motioned to approve the bread and milk contracts for Alpha Baking Company and Muller-Pinehurst Dairy, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Carson Breed, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson

Motion Passed.

**9. Approval of Appointment of School Treasurer**

Mary Newman motioned to approve the appointment of Kim Garst as School Treasurer, seconded by Scott Robinson.

All in favor 6 ayes. Motion passed.

**10. Approval of the Proposed 2021-2022 Rate for Property/Casualty-\$85,439 and for Workman's Compensation- \$51,359**

It is recommended that we accept the proposal from Prairie State Insurance Cooperative of \$85,439 for property/casualty insurance and \$51,359 for worker's compensation insurance. This is a \$9,000 increase for property/casualty and a \$1,500 decrease for worker's compensation.

Scott Robinson motioned to approve Prairie State Insurance Cooperative's proposal for property/casualty insurance and workman's compensation insurance for 2021-2022, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Cynthia Driggers

Motion Passed.

**11. Approval of Additional Kitchen Staff**

Kelsey Lueshen motioned to approve hiring of additional kitchen staff for the 2021-2022 school year, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Carson Breed, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson

Motion Passed.

**12. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Reduction in Force and Honorable Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel**

Cynthia Driggers motioned to approve the resolution authorizing the reduction in force and honorable dismissal of educational support personnel, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen, Mike Plourde, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Cynthia Driggers

Motion Passed.

### **13. COVID**

Glenn Terry reported to the BOE that he attended a webinar that was hosted by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education. He stated that there were not a lot of answers given related to schools opening in the fall. The State is hoping to have guidelines for the 21-22 school year out soon. Mr. Terry did report that IDPH has concerns surrounding the new Delta variant and younger children being more susceptible, which might indicate that returning to school with a mask mandation is likely. The state will be offering two testing options for the fall. One would be a mass weekly testing of all unvaccinated staff and students. The second would be a rapid test for symptomatic staff and students. They could be tested in the nurse's office which would reduce the amount of quarantines.

### **14. New Business**

- Mrs. Driggers ask the Board about changing the July meeting date from July 28th to the 21st. The new date worked for all members.
- Mr. Terry updated the Board regarding the Chemtool Fire. Debris at SMMS has been picked up by Clean Harbors. He has spoken to someone with Hazmat experience that was familiar with the details of this fire and that person didn't believe there should be any concerns about SMMS. Mr. Kretsinger inspected the HVAC filters and found no evidence that smoke or chemicals had entered the HVAC system.

### **15. Superintendent's Report**

- FOIA Request from The Vrdolyak Law Group
- Mr. Terry asked for a volunteer to serve on the Policy committee. Both Scott Robinson and Mary Newman said they would.
- Mr. Terry shared the positive feedback he's received from 8th grade parents about graduation.
- Mr. Terry thanked all the staff for the incredible work that was done by everyone to provide in-person learning for the 20-21 school year.

### **16. Comments from the Community**

Jenna Miller had questions regarding what it will look like returning to school in the fall and regarding a pending senate bill regarding health education.

### **17. Members' Comments**

Scott Robinson stated that teaching is one of the hardest jobs and that this year it has taken an emotional and physical toll on all employees, but that he is very grateful for the job that was done. Mary Newman added that remote teaching was very stressful and that if she was still teaching she doesn't know if she could have handled it.

### **18. Executive Session**

Carson Breed motioned into Executive Session at 6:40 pm to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), Negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), Pending Litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), Student discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Selection of a person to fill a public office (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3), Other matters relating to individual students (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10), Lease of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), Setting of sale price of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6), Sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7) Lawfully closed meeting minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) and Self-evaluation, practice and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16), seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

### **19. Adjournment**

Carson Breed moved to adjourn at 7:01 pm, seconded by Cynthia Driggers. Motion carried.

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Cynthia Driggers, President

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Mary Newman, Secretary