

Highland Community Schools  
Special Board Meeting  
Monday, September 28, 2020  
5:00 p.m. – Highland Board Room

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Nate Robinson.

Roll call was taken with Megan Allen, Rachel Longbine, Samantha Holden, Mike Golden, Kevin Engel and Nate Robinson present. Kathy Butler was present via Zoom. Also in attendance were Ken Crawford, Superintendent, Angela Hazelett, Secondary Principal, Jane O’Leary, Elementary Principal and Sue Rich, Board Secretary.

Holden made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Golden.

Motion carried 7-0

Jayme Kallaus and Clint Jones from the Highland Education Association gave an update on the recent teacher survey they had done asking several questions about how things were going overall. Mr Crawford gave information from a parent survey he had done as well. The Board then discussed the return to learn plans at length.

Mr Crawford gave a recommendation to have the elementary return 100% and the secondary to continue Hybrid model for three more weeks until the end of the quarter on October 23rd.

Golden made a motion to have the elementary and secondary both return 100% starting on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Longbine. **Roll Call Vote – All Ayes.**

Motion carried 7-0

Mr Crawford stated the Iowa Public Health Department was going to come out possibly tomorrow with a statement saying those with masks will not need to quarantine if there is a positive Covid-19 result within 6 feet for 15 minutes. He recommended the Board make a motion on this as well.

Longbine made a motion stating that if the Iowa Department of Public Health issues a statement saying that those with masks will not need to quarantine if there is a positive Covid-19 result within 6 feet for 15 minutes then we will require all individuals to wear a mask on Highland Community School District property starting on the day following the announcement. Seconded by Engel. **Roll Call Vote – All Ayes.**

Motion carried 7-0

Principal’s Report:

Jane O’Leary – We are working on changing things up in the lunch room and how we are seating the students at the tables.

Angela Hazelett – Homecoming went great and a big shout out to Traci Vonnahme and Kelli Schwarz for bringing it all together. MAP testing is this week and Madi Thomann got 1<sup>st</sup> place at the cross country meet over the weekend.

Superintendent’s Report:

Waste Water – The treated wastewater outfall pipe will either have to be abandoned and a new one constructed or a concrete headwall will have to be constructed for the current outfall pipe. These both would be new scope items and an additional cost. The geotechnical report has been provided to HR Green and the preliminary vendor drawings have been received as well. Several structures can be demolished at the completion of the project but may require some asbestos testing.

Bond Issue – They are finishing up the work in the gyms and they were told we needed these done by October 5<sup>th</sup>. The windows are getting finished up and the screens being put in do not open up so we are checking into this as well.

Fusion Forward – The promotional video is being worked on and they were in the District last Friday doing some video taping. They will have a 10 minute clip for us to review so we will plan on doing this at a work session. The final video will be 4 to 4.5 minutes in length.

Board Project List – The PPEL and SAVE numbers were presented for 20-21 and the project list with some of the costs were discussed.

Golden made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 7-0

Reports and documents and the full text of motions, resolutions, or policies considered by the Board at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary’s office, 648-3822, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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