

Highland Community Schools
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, October 10, 2022
5:00 p.m. – High School Board Room

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

Roll call was taken with Melissa Murphy, Monica Jepson, Rachel Longbine, Dan Ruth and Nate Robinson present. Josh Thomann and Mike Golden were absent. Also in attendance were Ken Crawford, Superintendent, Sue Rich, Board Secretary, Jane O’Leary, Elementary Principal, Angela Hazelett, Secondary Principal and Bill Zywiec, Dean of Students.

Longbine made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

Consent Agenda Items:

Minutes: Approval of the September 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes.

Financial Reports: Approval of the September financial reports.

Payment of Bills: Approval of the following October bills.

- General Fund - \$57,126.64
- Prepaid General Fund - \$1,676.16
- Schoolhouse Fund - \$126,524.45
- Prepaid Schoolhouse Fund - \$105,810.00
- Activity Fund - \$14,471.51
- Prepaid Activity Fund - \$3,438.11
- Lunch Fund - \$17,619.70

School Fund Raisers: High School Student Council – Butter Braid Sales
Highland Jr Class - Scratch Cupcake Sales

Longbine made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Seconded by Ruth.

Motion carried 5-0

Receive Visitors:

Jared Waters read a statement citing several board policies and the student handbook rules that he felt were not followed in a recent incident with some Highland students.

Abby Sojka read a statement about concerns she has with policies from the school and student handbook’s as well as incidents of things that have happened in the past with the school not following policy.

Molly Hartzler read a statement about concerns she had with how the events from 9/17 were handled and how policies were not being followed.

Janelle Sulhoff, Instructional Coach and Jayme Larson from Grant Wood spoke about SAMI-Self Assessment of MTSS Implementation. One of the topics was Fidelity Checks and the “why” behind this. The teachers are working on this during professional development time.

Ruth made a motion to approve the FFA National Convention trip to Indianapolis from October 25-October 28, 2022. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

Business Manager Sue Rich presented the official certified annual report for the 2021-22 school year. This is the comprehensive financial report of the school district for the year ending June 30, 2022. Total general fund revenues for the year were \$7,876,935 with 47% local sources (property taxes); 48% state sources and 5% federal sources. Total general fund expenditures were \$8,031,953 with 70% salaries & benefits; 27% purchased services, supplies, equipment and 3% AEA pass-thru and transfers. Our estimated spending authority is \$2,728,537.

Longbine made a motion to accept the Certified Annual Report for fiscal year 2022. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

Business Manager Sue Rich then presented the special education supplement for the 2021-22 school year. The total revenues were \$1,187,403 and the total expenditures were \$1,616,697. This resulted in a negative special education balance of \$429,294 which can be recovered through allowable growth and supplemental aid from the state.

Ruth made a motion to accept the Special Education Supplement for fiscal year 2022. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 5-0

Longbine made a motion requesting modified allowable growth and supplemental aid for a negative special education balance in the amount of \$429,293.72. Seconded by Murphy.

Motion carried 5-0

Business Manager, Sue Rich then presented the Transportation Report for the 2021-22 school year. Total net transportation costs were \$322,453 with an average cost per mile traveled of \$4.07. The average cost per pupil transported was \$856.30.

Ruth made a motion to accept the Transportation Report for fiscal year 2022. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

Ruth made a motion to approve bids be taken for snow removal for the 22-23 season. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 5-0

Jepson made a motion to approve the 3 students for early graduation pending all requirements are met. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 5-0

Longbine made a motion to approve change order #4 in the amount of \$8,465.02 for the Highland Elementary Asphalt Playground Project. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

Mr Crawford went over changes on board policies 603.01 through 603.11. These policies will be brought back to the next meeting for the second reading.

Longbine made a motion to approve the below listed board policies. Seconded by Murphy.

Motion carried 5-0

607.2	Student Health Services
804.7	Radon Mitigation
804.7R1	Radon Mitigation Regulation
901	Public Examination of School District Records
600	Goals and Objectives of the Educational Program
601.1	School Calendar
601.2	School Day
602.1	Curriculum Development
602.2	Curriculum Implementation
602.3	Curriculum Evaluation
602.4	Pilot - Experimental - Innovative Projects

Ruth made a motion to approve the following resignations & appointments. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 5-0

Resignations:

Hunter McCollough - Secondary Night Custodian
Julie Barnes - Cook

Appointments:

Jeff Hoft - Secondary Night Custodian - \$13.00/hr - 8 hrs/day
Lisa Bohannon - Special Education Teacher - B days for rest of year - \$45,000

Board of Directors:
No Comments

Jane O'Leary, Elementary Principal:
Board Report in the packet

Angela Hazelett, Secondary Principal:
The visitation for Mr Erickson will be Monday, October 17th from 4-7 pm at the Terry Trueblood recreation area in Iowa City. We may be taking a bus with students if there is enough interest. Additional information in the board report in the packet.

Sue Rich, Board Secretary:

1) The IASB Convention will be held on November 16th and 17th. Discussed who all would be attending.

2) Attending the IASBO fall conference this week on Wednesday, 10/12 and Thursday, 10/13.

Ken Crawford, Superintendent:

- 1) SIAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, 10/12 in the library at 6:00.
- 2) Wednesday is parent teacher conferences again and a goodie sack will be handed out to the teachers.
- 3) Work session on 10/24 and some possible discussion items will be the football coach giving an update, wrestling club representatives to talk about a project they have coming up and playground update.

A work session will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the high school board room.

Longbine made a motion to adjourn at 6:13 p.m. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 5-0

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. – 4:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT, NATE ROBINSON

SECRETARY, SUE E RICH