

## Regular Board Meeting, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion at 6:30 p.m. to enter into closed session for the purpose of considering information regarding: personnel was made by J. Powers and was seconded by J. Hastings. P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6                      Nays 0

A motion at 6:57 p.m. to come out of closed session was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Powers.

Ayes 6                      Nays 0

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Board President S. Sullivan. Roll Call: J. Hastings, J. Powers, J. Reick, D. Ruder, S. Sullivan, Supt. Decman, Bonfield Grade School Principal M. Wepprecht, Herscher Intermediate School Principal B. Miller, Limestone Middle School Principal, M. Chavers, Herscher High School Principal, B. Elliot, District RTI Coordinator, J. Fulton, District Curriculum Director P. Falk, District Special Services Director S. Parsons, District Network Specialist B. Seeman, reporter from the Herscher Pilot, and other visitors.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING WAIVING TUITION FOR NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS OF HERSCHER SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES.

At 7:02 p.m., Board President S. Sullivan declared open the public hearing regarding the **waiver of tuition for non-resident students of Herscher SD Employees**. There were no questions from the public concerning this matter, therefore, at 7:03 p.m. Board President S. Sullivan declared the public hearing closed.

Member P. Daly re-joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m. via phone.

### CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)  
Sept 14, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. – Regular/Closed Session  
Sept 14, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m. – Regular/Open Session
  - B. Treasurer's Report / Balance Sheet – Investment Summary
  - C. Bills, Salaries and Investments totaling **\$30,152,227.77**.  
This figure includes **\$243,529.63** in regular bills, **\$1,328,996.74** in payroll/benefits and **\$28,579,701.40** in investments.
  - D. Approval of Resolution re: Closed Session Recordings/ Minutes older than 18 mos.
  - E. Approval of Leave Request  
Jamie Savarino – HIS Grade 3  
Jenna Brooks – LMS Grade 5 ELA I - leave extension through end of 20-21SY- added 10/13
- P. Daly, aye; J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 6                      Nays 0

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Sean Contreras – homecoming movie/event

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Donations/Grants/Acknowledgements – 1 so far
- B. Good News!
- C. Report regarding KACC – J. Reick
- D. FOIA Report – 0 so far
- E. Overnight Trips Update – 0 so far
- F. Procurement Committee Update – D. Ruder
- G. 20-21 Snow Removal Quotes
- H. Info regarding closeout items for LMS reno project
- I. Other

### NEW BUSINESS

Distribution of Audit Report for FY20 – Dave Meier (Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon LLC)

Member P. Daly left the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

A motion was made by J. Reick and was seconded by D. Ruder to approve the **Certified Hire of Matt Cornwall** (LMS Instrumental Music-Band Director) as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by J. Powers to approve the **Non-Certified Hire of Emily Tapscott** (Bus Driver; BGS Route), PENDING, in-person learning, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by J. Reick to approve the **Non-Certified Hire of Courtney Keen** (LMS (Full-time) Parapro), PENDING in-person learning, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by J. Reick to approve the **Extra Curricular Resignation of Rod McIntire** (HHS Head Wrestling Coach), as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Reick and was seconded by J. Powers to approve the **Extra Curricular Appointment of Alan High** (HHS Asst Girls Soccer Coach) and **Tanner Regez** (HHS Volunteer Baseball Coach), as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by J. Reick and was seconded by D. Ruder to approve the **Resolution and Waiver (renewal) through ISBE regarding tuition for non-resident students of Herscher SD employees**, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

There was a discussion regarding **raising certified substitute teacher pay**.

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to appoint **School Board Local Election Official (Heather Crane)** for the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Hastings to approve **extension of the school day to 2:05 p.m.** effective January 5, 2021, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

There was a **discussion regarding HHS proposal to require remote learners to attend classes per bell schedule**.

There was a discussion regarding remote learner grades and possible consequences.

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Powers to approve the **MOU** to the 2020-2025 CBA with Certified Staff regarding **amending stipends specific events** in Article 15.1 for the 2020-2021 School year (in recognition of the uncertainties with the current global pandemic), if the district goes to full remote instruction, as recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5            Nays 0

Other: None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

A motion was made by D. Ruder and was seconded by J. Reick to approve the **additions/revisions to the Board Policy Manual**, per IASB's Press Plus Issue 105, as presented last month and recommended. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye, S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5                      Nays 0

Other: None.

**QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY**

There were no questions.

A motion at 7:57 p.m. to adjourn was made by J. Hastings and was seconded by J. Reick. J. Hastings, aye; J. Powers, aye; J. Reick, aye; D. Ruder, aye; S. Sullivan, aye.

Ayes 5                      Nays 0

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*S. Sullivan, President*

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*J. Hastings, Secretary*