

Regular Meeting

KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

7:00 PM

Town Hall, 172 Main Street

MINUTES

Present: Mr. Doug Farrow, Mr. Norm Ferron, Ms. Hoween Flexer, Ms. Janice Joly, Mr. Jason Muscara, Mr. Kyle Napierata, Ms. Lydia Rivera-Abrams Mr. Chris Viens.

Via Zoom: Ms. Hoween Flexer, and Mr. Chris Viens.

Absent with Notification: Mr. Greg Biggs.

Others

Present: Superintendent, Mr. Robert Angeli, Ms. Keely Doyle, Recording Secretary, Ms. Christine Clark, Business Manager.

1. CALL TO ORDER- Mr. Doug Farrow called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL-see above

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comments.

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAIR UPDATE

Mr. Farrow shared that Kaia Torrente and Rhiannon Martin will be the 2021-22 student Board representatives.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Superintendent Angeli conveyed that the June 11, KHS graduation on was held outside and it went well. Eighth grade graduation at KIS took place on June 14 and the ceremony was held at the high school due to inclement weather.

The superintendent will continue interviews to fill vacancies over the summer. Superintendent Angeli shared that Ms. Tracy DeDenoto was hired as the new KIS principal. Committee members are meeting tomorrow for second-round interviews for the assistant superintendent vacancy.

Kristin Lalima, KIS assistant principal submitted her resignation and accepted a principal position in another Connecticut district. I.T director, Mike Klein also resigned to pursue a cyber security job in the private sector.

There will not be a celebration event this year to honor retirees, but gifts will be given to all retirees.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FFA NATIONAL CONVENTION TRIP REQUEST

Ms. Bonnie Kegler, KHS vocational agriculture teacher was in attendance and shared information regarding FFA convention and the benefits for students who attend.

MOTION: by Mr. Ferron, seconded by Ms. Flexer to approve the October 26-30 National FFA Convention fieldtrip to Indianapolis, Indiana.

**Unanimous
Motion Carries**

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 3 OUT-OF-STATE SUMMER FIELD TRIPS FOR THE KILLINGLY CHILDCARE PROGRAM

Three field trip requests were submitted by Emily Ross for the Killingly Childcare Program. Emily shared information about the field trips, including the ratio of chaperones to students and benefits for the children. Field trips requests are for visits to, Aero Trampoline in Woonsocket, RI and Crystal Cave Mini Golf in Auburn, MA.

MOTION: by Ms. Flexer, seconded by Ms. Joly to approve 3 out-of-state field trips for the Killingly Childcare Program.

**Unanimous
Motion Carries**

9. BOARD SUB-COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS

9.a. Curriculum Sub-Committee- The subcommittee has not met

9.b. Facilities Sub-Committee- The subcommittee has not met

9.c. Fiscal Sub-Committee

As the Board's liaison for EASTCONN, Ms. Rivera- Abrams shared the continued and beneficial partnership between Killingly and EASTCONN. A 5-year Memorandum of Understanding was signed for EASTCONN's continued use of the 79 Westfield Avenue building. EASTCONN also assisted KPS in securing an interim transportation supervisor.

9.c.1. Monthly Financial Report for the Month of May 2021

Ms. Rivera-Abrams shared that at the last subcommittee meeting, information regarding facilities projects that are funded by the non-lapsing account was requested. Superintendent Angeli shared that currently the gas line project for KCS and KHS and the new generator for 79 Westfield Avenue is funded from the non-lapsing account. The subcommittee members also requested to include "New Business" on future agendas.

The projection of expenditures shows that approximately \$2.7M of the 2020-21 budget will be unexpended. Ms. Rivera-Abrams asked that Board members review the June 9, 2021 Monthly financial report for May 2021.

9.d. Policy Sub-Committee- The subcommittee has not met

9.e. Personnel Sub-Committee- Mr. Farrow shared that subcommittee members will be meeting with the paraprofessional union tomorrow and will be meeting with the nurse's union on July 1.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

- 10.a. June 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
- 10.b. May 2021 Authorized Checks
- 10.c. End of the Year Student Enrollment

MOTION: by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, seconded by Ms. Joly to approve
Consent items:
10.a. June 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
10.b. May 2021 Authorized Checks
10.c. End of the Year Student Enrollment
Unanimous
Motion Carries

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION

MOTION: by Ms. Joly, seconded by Mr. Napierata to enter into executive session
to discuss superintendent evaluation.
Unanimous
Motion Carries

The Board entered executive session at 7:37 p.m.
The Board resumed the regular meeting at 8:14 p.m.

12. POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION AND CONTRACT REVISION

MOTION: by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, seconded by Ms. Flexer to table the
superintendent's evaluation and request for a pay increase for 6 months,
allowing more time for a more creditable evaluation.
Unanimous
Motion Carries

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Ms. Flexer, seconded by Mr. Muscara to adjourn.
Unanimous
Motion Carries

The June 23, 2021 Killingly Board of Education meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Keely Doyle
Recording Secretary