

BATH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education – Organizational Meeting

Virtual
Bath High School

Monday, January 4, 2021
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Paul Hartsig at 6:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Sam Bachelor (by phone, Bath Twp.) Ms. Ann Chaffee (by Computer, Bath Twp.), Ms. Stephanie Halfmann (by computer, Bath Twp.), Ms. Nancy Hawkins (by computer, DeWitt Twp.), Mr. Ken Krapohl (by computer, Bath Twp.) Ms. Jennifer Smith (by computer, Bath Twp.) and Dean Sweet, Jr. (by phone, Bath Twp.)

Student Rep Mr. Josh Mendoza (by computer, Bath Twp.)

Declare quorum

Members absent: None

Staff present: Mr. Paul Hartsig, Superintendent; Mr. Matt Dodson, High School Principal; Ms. Lorenda Jonas, Middle School Principal; Ms. Jeannine Brown, Interim Elementary Principal; Mr. Doug Murphy, Technology Director; Mr. Jon Pechette, Business Manager; and Ms. Shannon Proctor, Executive Assistant

III. OATH OF OFFICE

I, (Ann Chaffee), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education according to the best of my ability.

I, (Dean Sweet, Jr), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education according to the best of my ability.

I, (Jennifer Smith), do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this State, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education according to the best of my ability.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

“Motion to approve agenda of the Organizational Board of Education meeting being held on today’s date, Monday, January 4, 2021, as presented.”

Moved by Sweet, Seconded by Bachelor. Motion Passed.

V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

a. Nominate officers

“Motion that a slate of officers for the 2021 Bath Community Schools Board of Education include:

Ann Chaffee be nominated for the office of Board President,

Ken Krapohl be nominated for the office of Board Vice President,

Stephanie Halfmann be nominated for the office of Board Secretary; and

Dean Sweet be nominated for the office of Board Treasurer,

And that the nominations be closed.”

Moved by Hawkins, Seconded by Bachelor. AYE: Bachelor, Halfmann, Hawkins, Krapohl, Smith, Sweet, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

Therefore:

Ann Chaffee is elected as Board President,

Ken Krapohl is elected as Board Vice President,

Stephanie Halfmann is elected as Board Secretary,

Dean Sweet is elected as Board Treasurer, for 2021.

VI. SETTING OF BOARD MEMBER SALARIES

“Motion to set the Bath Community Schools Board of Education member salaries at \$575.00 annually for each member for 2021”

Moved by Sweet, Seconded by Bachelor. AYE: Bachelor, Halfmann, Hawkins, Krapohl, Smith, Sweet, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Board Committee Assignments & Meeting Dates

Finance Committee [Meeting 4th Monday at 6:00 p.m.]

Dean Sweet Jr, Chair
Nancy Hawkins
Stephanie Halfmann

Personnel Committee [Meeting 2nd Monday at 6:30 p.m.]

Ann Chaffee, Chair
Sam Bachelor
Ken Krapohl

Policy Committee [Meeting 2nd Monday at 7:30 p.m.]

Ken Krapohl, Chair
Ann Chaffee
Jennifer Smith

Building & Grounds Committee [Meeting 2nd Monday at 5:30 p.m.]

Sam Bachelor, Chair
Ann Chaffee
Dean Sweet Jr.

Extra-Curricular [Meeting as needed, at time TBD]

Nancy Hawkins, Chair
Stephanie Halfmann
Jennifer Smith

VIII. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

a. School Board Recognition

Superintendent Hartsig shared that the month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition Month. He stated that this is a time to show our appreciation and begin to better understand how local trustees work together to prepare today's students to be tomorrow's leaders. Mr. Hartsig expressed his appreciation to work for such a great group of people who care about our schools and community.

Thank you Sam Bachelor, Ann Chaffee, Stephanie Halfmann, Nancy Hawkins, Ken Krapohl, Jennifer Smith, and Dean Sweet for your service to Bath Community Schools!

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Individuals are permitted to make statements to the Board during this section of the agenda. Board Policy #1370 includes guidelines adopted by the Board for this purpose.

None

X. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items may be approved with one motion unless a Board member requests that an item or items be removed for separate action.

- a. Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 14, 2020
- b. General Fund bills payable in the amount of \$105,176.54
- c. General Fund EFT transfers in the amount of \$106,900.17

Moved by Sweet, Seconded by Krapohl. AYE: Halfmann, Hawkins, Krapohl, Smith, Sweet, Bachelor, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

XI. ACTION ITEMS

a. Business

- i. **“Motion that the Bath Community School Board of Education reconfirm the Bath Community Schools COVID Response Plan as required by the State of Michigan, as presented.”**

Moved by Sweet, Seconded by Krapohl. AYE: Hawkins, Krapohl, Smith, Sweet, Bachelor, Halfmann, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

b. Personnel

- i. **“Motion to hire Ms. Emily Wenzlick as a full-time SE/Math Teacher at the Middle School at 1.0 FTE, BA Step 1”**

Moved by Sweet, Seconded by Smith. AYE: Krapohl, Smith, Sweet, Bachelor, Halfmann, Hawkins, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ms. Beth Wicks inquired on if district would be required for students to return to in person learning.

XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Ms. Hawkins welcomed Ms. Smith to the Bath Board of Education and encouraged her to reach out with any questions.

Ms. Halfmann thanked Ms. Jonas for the kind words of appreciation to the Bath Board of Education.

Mr. Krapohl welcomed Ms. Smith and encouraged her to do the Board of Education onboarding to familiarize herself with her new duties. He also shared the CCRESA Board also met this evening.

Mr. Sweet and Mr. Bachelor gave words of encouragement to Ms. Smith.

Ms. Smith inquired about the learning labs being held on Fridays.

Ms. Chaffee welcomed Ms. Smith to the school board and said the committee meetings will help with understanding board member duties.

XIV. “Motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.”

Moved by Bachelor, Seconded by Sweet. AYE: Smith, Sweet, Bachelor, Halfmann, Hawkins, Krapohl, Chaffee ABSENT: None. NAY: None. Vote 7-0. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Halfmann, Secretary

Shannon Proctor, Recording Secretary