

BATH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education – Annual Business Meeting

Dr. Therese M. Peterson Lecture Hall
Bath High School

Monday, July 26, 2021
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President, Ann Chaffee at 6:31 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Sam Bachelor, Ms. Ann Chaffee, Ms. Stephanie Halfmann, Ms. Nancy Hawkins, Mr. Ken Krapohl, Ms. Jennifer Smith, Mr. Dean Sweet, Jr.
Declare quorum.

Members absent: None

Student Representative: Mr. Josh Mendoza

Staff present: Mr. Paul Hartsig, Mr. Matt Dodson, Ms. Lorenda Jonas, Ms. Jeannine Brown, Mr. Doug Murphy, Mr. Jon Pechette, Ms. Caroline Cook and Ms. Shannon Proctor

Staff absent: None

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

“Motion to approve the agenda of the Annual Business Board of Education meeting being held on today’s date, Monday, July 26, 2021, as presented.”

Moved by Krapohl, Seconded by Bachelor. Vote: 7-0. Motion Passed.

IV. SETTING OF DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Recommendation: “Motion to set the fourth Monday of each month as the date for its Regular Board Meeting (*with the exception of December 13, 2021 & January 3, 2022*) for the 2021/22 fiscal year with the start time set at 6:30 p.m. and the location to be the Dr. Therese M. Peterson Lecture Hall, Bath High School, which is located at 6175 E. Clark Road, Bath, Michigan.”

The board meeting schedule for the 2021/22 school year will be as follows:

*July 26, 2021 Annual
Business Meeting*

*January 3, 2022 Annual
Organizational Meeting*

August 23, 2021

February 28, 2022

September 27, 2021

March 28, 2022

October 25, 2021

April 25, 2022

November 22, 2021

May 23, 2022

December 13, 2021

June 27, 2022

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

V. DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES

“Motion to authorize the following agencies as depositories for the 2021/22 fiscal year or until such time that the Board of Education deems it appropriate to change depository agencies. The depository agencies are: Fifth Third Bank and Michigan Liquid Asset Fund (MILAF).”

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

VI. INVESTMENT AUTHORIZATION

“Motion to authorize the Superintendent or his designee to invest monies during the 2021/22 fiscal year on behalf of the school district with Michigan Liquid Asset Fund (MILAF).”

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

VII. DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

“Motion to authorize the Board Treasurer, Board President, and Superintendent to sign checks and withdrawal slips for the following funds: all General Operating, Food Service, Trust and Agency, Debt Retirement, and Building and Site Fund accounts, as recommended by the administration and the auditors.”

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

VIII. DESIGNATION OF PERSON FOR POSTING PUBLIC NOTICES OF MEETINGS

“Motion to designate the Superintendent’s Executive Assistant or her designee for the posting of the public notices of meetings.”

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

IX. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL RETAINER CONTRACTS

X. “Motion that the Bath Community Schools Board of Education reaffirm and retain the services of the law firm, Thrun Law Firm P.C., for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, for matters concerning bond issues, elections, and other specialized services where deemed appropriate and that the Superintendent or his designee be authorized to utilize legal counsel as deemed appropriate.”

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

XI. REPORTS

a. Board of Education

i. Secretary Report – Correspondence
None

ii. Extra-Curricular Committee

Did not meet.

iii. Finance Committee

Ms. Cook shared that the auditors were here this week.

- iv. Personnel Committee
Did not meet
- v. Policy Committee
Did not meet
- vi. Building and Grounds Committee
Did not meet

b. Superintendent

Mr. Hartsig shared that at this time masks will be optional for staff and students. Students will be required to wear masks on the bus per the federal mandate. We will continue to limit visitors in the district to substitute teachers and presenters and are not planning to have field trips at this time. Other precaution's being made in the district are keeping class sizes small, changing air filters and cleaning.

c. Student

Mr. Mendoza thanked the Bath School Board and the staff for the support that was shown to our students after the passing of Cooper Gardner.

XII. 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 Public Hearing of June 28, 2021
- b. Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 28, 2021
- c. General Fund bills payable in the amount of \$355,751.34
- d. General Fund EFT transfers in the amount of \$335,400.76
- e. Building & Site Fund bills payable in the amount of \$47,668.97

“Motion to adopt the consent agenda as presented.”

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

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda items only

None.

XIV. ACTION ITEMS

a. Business

- i. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Repayment to the Michigan School Bond Loan Fund

“Motion that the Bath Community Schools Board of Education adopt the certified resolution authorizing repayment to the Michigan School Bond Loan fund to meet principal and interest requirements on its debt obligations for the 2021/22 fiscal year, as presented.”

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

- ii. Reopening Schools of Choice for the 2020-2021 School Year

Background: Due to multiple families reaching out after the Schools of Choice window closing and speaking with our auditors it has been recommended to reopen with School Board Approval.

“Motion to approve the reopening of the 2020-2021 Schools of Choice window, as presented.”

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

XV. COVID Response Extended Learning Plan

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

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

XVI. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ms. Janice Hart thanked the school board for the work they put in for the district. She realizes the district needs to be able to adapt with the changes but appreciated that data and common sense is being used.

XVII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Bachelor shared that he is happy that it looks like this will be closer to a normal school year. Mr. Krapohl explained that district has to look at data to make decisions. Ms. Chaffee shared that the Ladies Auxiliary is collecting school supplies for the school district.

XVIII. *ADJOURNMENT*

“Motion to adjourn 7:14 p.m.”

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

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Halfmann, Secretary

Shannon Proctor, Recording Secretary