## NORTH RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200

# Special Board Meeting Minutes January 25, 2021 5:30 PM In the Library/Zoom

## **FLAG SALUTE**

## I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Mizushima called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM. Board Members Present by Zoom: Chairman, Beth Mizushima; Vice-Chairman, Jim Banas; Legislative Representative, Carolyn Lande; Director, Julie Miles; and Director Bob Sholes. Others Present by Zoom: Superintendent, Lindsey Maehlum; Business Manager/Recording Secretary, Pam Pratt; and Transportation/Maintenance Supervisor, Joe Fuquay.

# II. VISITORS BY ZOOM:

Kari and Blake Beyer Ted Clausen
David Farnell Sue Coulter
Lorenzo Churape Jesus Rodriguez
Kendal Johnson Schreck Family

Debbie Koehn Sara Bridget, Josh, Destinee Greiner Vance

Travis and Christina Greenway Missy and Austin Cain

Debbie Dey John Dillard Tara Bridges Joanne Olson

Matt Donna and Chuck Schreck

SM Vance Angie Fuquay Kathy and Jack Osbekoff Kelly Clark

Linda Stiles Marni and Scott West

Harry Carthum Greg Stone
Knox Payton Simmons
Oliver Imerson Sherryl Butts-Jackson
Jamie Peterson Cherie Patterson

## III. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: Item IV. Public Commentary Director Banas ask to read a two-minute statement.

Director Banas made a motion and it was seconded by Director Miles to be given the floor to read a two-minute statement concerning the subject of tonight's meeting. Director Miles seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Banas stated that he was concerned with the agenda that there was no Public Commentary. He researched and found that there was no requirement for Public Commentary and Special Meetings. At the December Board Meeting, Public commentary was allowed before and after the Business portions of the meeting. At the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, Public Commentary was only allowed before to the Business portion which covered this important matter that we are looking at today. Today for this Special Meeting on a very important subject, there seems to be no provision for final Public commentary before the Board's discussion and a vote. It does not seem fair to the Community members who are parents, taxpayers, and voters who elected us to represent them. Director banas is hoping that this was an accidental oversite, but it does effectively prevent final Community input before the Boards discussion and decision.

Director Banas made a motion to amend the agenda to allow approximately one hour of Public Commentary and that the speakers be given up to three minutes to make their comments. He then yielded the floor back with anticipation of a second to his motion. Director Sholes seconded the motion. Discussion—Chairman Mizushima stated that she would like for Public Commentary to go up to three minutes. She would like everyone to have one opportunity to speak and not yield minutes to one another. Director Banas agreed with the chairman's amendment to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## IV. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

• Critique: Several Community members voiced their concern over the termination of the position and ask the Board to reconsider.

## V. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) Reduction in force—Transportation and Maintenance Director Director Lande made a motion, and it was seconded by Director Sholes to move ahead with the reduction in force-Transportation and Maintenance Director position. Vote three I's and two Nays. The motion was three to two.

## VI. ADJOURNMENT:

Director Sholes made a motion, and it was seconded by Director Mizushima to adjourn at 6:30 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

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