

NORTH RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2021
5:30 PM
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I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Banas called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM. Board Members Present: Chairman, Jim Banas; Vice-Chairman, Bob Sholes; and Legislative Representative, Carolyn Lande. Director, Julie Miles was absent. Others Present: Business Manager/Recording Secretary, Pam Pratt; and Ron Francisco.

II. VISITORS/ZOOM:

The Schreck Family, Jamie Peterson, Missy Cain, Danae Poukkula, James Taylor, Bridget and Destinee Grienger, Vance, Sara, Angie & Joe Fuquay, Debbie Loehn, Rich Brock, Sue Coulter, Sean Pierson, Ime Rosiers, Rocio & Raul, Scott, Kathy Osbekoff, Ruby Gumaelius Emily Cardea, Jesus Rodrigues, Heather Johnson, Greg Stone, and Pat Stephens.

III. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA:

The following items were added to the agenda: Support Professional Union President, Susan Coulter, changed her agenda item. XI. Item (E)

IV. MINUTES: March 5, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes, March 15, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, March 18, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes, and March 23, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes.

March 5, 2021 Minutes: Director Sholes made a motion to approve March 5, 2021, Special Board Minutes as written. The motion was second by Director Lande. The motion was unanimous.

March 15, 2021 Minutes: Director Lande made a motion to approve March 15, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was unanimous.

March 18, 2021 Minutes: Director Lande made a motion to approve March 18, 2021, Special Board Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was second by Director Sholes. The motion was unanimous.

March 23, 2021 Minutes: Director Sholes made a motion to approve March 23, 2021, Special Board Minutes as written. The motion was second by Director Lande. The motion was unanimous.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

There was no Public Commentary.

VI. ASB REPORT:

No ASB Report.

VII. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) **Financial:** The Business Manager reported an ending cash balance of \$325,687.00. The Superintendent's cash-out is going to take a major hit on the

ending cash balance in August. The District will be doing an inter-fund loan from the Capital Project's Fund to the General Fund. The District must pay the loan back in a year.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT(S):

Chairman Banas will be providing updates on the following:

- (A) Board Vacancy status and progress.
- (B) School District attorney/law firm replacement
- (C) Consultations with McPherson & Jacobson on Superintendent fill.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA:

There was not a Consent Agenda.

X. OLD BUSINESS:

- (A) Phones update –increase—additional \$1200.00 is needed. (Board approved \$2800.00) Total \$4000.00. Director Lande made a motion to postpone the purchase of a new phone system until next fall or when the District could afford it. Director Sholes second the motion. The motion was unanimous.
- (B) Board Policy 4040—Public Access to District Records. Director Lande made a motion to approve Board Policy 4040 (Public Access to District Records). Director Sholes second the motion. The motion was unanimous.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

- (A) Apollo Representative—Pat Stephans (Grant for facility improvements)
Pat Stephans and James Taylor gave a presentation for a Small Schools Grant for facility improvements that he and Joe Fuquay started working on. Director Lande made a motion to move forward with the application and procedure for the grant. The motion was second by Director Sholes. The motion was unanimous.
- (B) Voting in parents and students (in the District and out of the District parents) for the Leadership Committee. Superintendent Maehlum reported that there are openings on the Leadership Committee. Two parents (one in-district and one outside of the District, and one student (9-11th graders can qualify). Destinee Greiner nominated herself, and Ruby and Sierra voted for her. Destinee accepted the position.
- (C) Sports and Coaching update—Mr. Pierson
Mr. Pierson updated the Board on the sports programs. He stated that he would not be accepting a paid coaching or AD contract for this year. If John Gumaelius was approved by the Board for the girls' coach that he as well would not accept being paid this year.
- (D) Coaching Contracts- Girls Basketball Coaching contract—John Gumaelius (as of today, we do not have a boys' Basketball team) Sue Coulter Track Contract, Sean Pierson Jr High Basketball Coach no contract. AD contract for Sean Pierson. Director Lande made a motion to accept Mr. Pierson's coaching and AD positions with no pay, and John Gumaelius as the girls' basketball coach. The track contract for Sue Coulter would be paid. Director Sholes seconds the motion. TRoll call vote: Ms. Lande, I, Mr. Sholes, I, and Mr. Banas present. The vote was passed 2-1.

(E) Classified Negotiations—Sue Coulter

Support Professional's Union President, Sue Coulter spoke on behalf of the classified staff that she was not going to negotiate a raise with the District financial situation. She asked to extend the current negotiated contract from 2018-2021 to 2021-2024. (Three years) Director Lande made a motion to approve John Gumaelius as the girls' basketball coach. Director Sholes second the motion. Vote by roll call: Mr. Banas, present, Ms. Lande, I, Mr. Sholes, I. The vote passed by 2-1.

(F) Small playground—Tabled—No Action taken.

Superintendent Maehlum what the will of the Board for a small playground is. It is not ADA compliant and was supposed to be torn down after the large structure was built. No Action Taken.

(G) Sex-ed presentation (new curriculum)

Emily Cardea gave a presentation on the new curriculum for Sex-education. No action was taken.

(H) Tuition reimbursement form

Director Sholes made a motion to approve the Tuition reimbursement form. Director Banas second the motion. The motion was unanimous.

(I) Karen Furth's Retirement

Director Banas made a motion to accept Karen Furth's letter of retirement. Director Lande seconds the motion. The Board expressed their appreciation for all her hard work and dedication to the North River School. The motion was unanimous.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

There was no Public Commentary.

XIII. TRAVEL:

WABE Virtual Conference for the Superintendent—April 29-May 1, 2021. \$500.00 Director Lande made a motion to approve the \$500.00 for the WABE virtual Conference for the Superintendent. Director Sholes seconds the motion. Vote by roll call: Ms. Lande, I, Mr. Sholes, I, Mr. Banas, Present. The motion passed two-one.

XIV. VOUCHERS:

Director Sholes made a motion to approve signing the vouchers. Director Banas second the motion. The motion was unanimous.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no Executive Session.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT:

Director Sholes made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Director Lande seconds the motion. The motion was unanimous.

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