

APPROVED
MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD
MEETING
7.10.17

A regular meeting of the Essexville-Hampton Board of Education was held on Monday, July 10, 2017 in the Garber High School Library, 213 Pine Street, Essexville, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Martin at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE RECITED

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

- Members Present

John Martin, Joseph Pergande, Charles Rochow, Amber Davis-Johnson and Dean Verhaeghe

- Members Absent

Jill Urban (excused), Michael O'Neill (excused)

ALSO PRESENT

Matt Cortez, Leigh Ann Foret, Jodi Jarvis, Jean Jacobs

ADDITIONAL ITEMS
FROM BOARD/
SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Cortez added an item preceding item F on the agenda regarding a new teacher hire.

STATEMENTS FROM
THE PUBLIC

None

MINUTES
APPROVED

Moved by Verhaeghe, supported by Rochow, to approve the minutes of the special board meeting/budget hearing and executive session held on June 26, 2017, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe

No: None

TREASURER'S
REPORT
ACCEPTED

Moved by Martin, supported by Verhaeghe, to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin

No: None

EXPENDITURE
REVIEW
COMMITTEE
REPORT
APPROVED

Moved by Rochow, supported by Verhaeghe, to approve the Expenditure Committee report in the amount of \$1,469,349.41 for the month of June 2017, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande

No: None

NEW TEACHER
HIRE
APPROVED

Moved by Davis-Johnson, supported by Verhaeghe, to approve the hiring of Jodi Jarvis as the new district Elementary Science Specialist, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow

No: None

REGULAR
MEETING
SCHEDULE
APPROVED

Moved by Verhaeghe, supported by Rochow, to approve the regular meeting schedule, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson

No: None

ROBERT'S
RULES OF
ORDER
APPROVED

Moved by Pergande, supported by Davis-Johnson, that the board follow Robert's Rules of Order, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe

No: None

DEPOSITORY
OF FUNDS
APPROVED

Moved by Verhaeghe, supported by Martin, that the board approve the continued use of MILAF, Thumb National Bank & Trust Company and Chemical Bank for the 2017-18 school year, as recommended by administration.

Roll Call: Yes: Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin

No: None

CHECK
SIGNATURE
DESIGNEES
APPOINTED

Moved by Pergande, supported by Davis-Johnson, that the signatures of the treasurer, superintendent, business manager, and the curriculum director be maintained on bank documents, as recommended by administration.

Roll Call: Yes: Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande

No: None

POSTING
NOTICES
DESIGNEE
APPOINTED

Moved by Martin, supported by Verhaeghe, that the board designate the superintendent or his designee as the person responsible for posting public notices of meetings and that a copy of posting notices and the affidavits of postings be sent to board members prior to a special meeting.

Roll Call: Yes: Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow

No: None

ELECTION
DUTIES
DESIGNATED

Moved by Rochow, supported by Pergande, that the board appoint the superintendent or his designee for the handling of election duties.

Roll Call: Yes: Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson

No: None

LEGAL
COUNSEL
RETAINED

Moved by Davis-Johnson, supported by Verhaeghe, to continue to maintain the relationships with Allsopp Wackerly & Blossom as the school districts local attorney and Thrun Law Firm for the 2017-18 school year.

Roll Call: Yes: Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe

No: None

GENERAL
POWERS
DISTRICT

In keeping with our understanding of the Revised School Code, the district must annually declare that it will be a "general powers" district, which means that we will abide by the rules within the School Code.

Moved by Rochow, supported by Pergande, that the board declare the Essexville-Hampton Public Schools as a General Powers district, as recommended by the superintendent.

Roll Call: Yes: Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin

No: None

LRN
DESIGNEE
APPOINTED

The board needs to appoint a board member to the Legislative Relations Network (LRN). Trustee Dean Verhaeghe currently serves as the district's designee.

Moved by Martin, supported by Davis-Johnson, to appoint Dean Verhaeghe to serve as the district's Legislative Relations Network (LRN) designee for the 2017-18 school year.

Roll Call: Yes: Rochow, Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande

No: None

SUPERINTENDENT
CONTRACT CHANGES
APPROVED

Moved by Verhaeghe, supported by Martin, to approve the Superintendent's contract with the changes that 5 additional unused vacation days may be cashed out, for a total of 15 per calendar year, as well as, a \$100/month increase to his car allowance.

Roll Call: Yes: Davis-Johnson, Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow

No: None

SUPERINTENDENT
CONTRACT
EXTENSION
APPROVED

Moved by Verhaeghe, supported by Davis-Johnson, to approve Superintendent Cortez's contract extension through June 30, 2020, as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Verhaeghe, Martin, Pergande, Rochow, Davis-Johnson

No: None

STATEMENTS
FROM BOARD/
ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent Cortez addressed the board as to measures being taken to improve communication with the board regarding the district's strategic planning and current events.

STATEMENTS
FROM THE PUBLIC

None

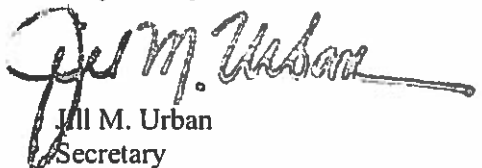
ADJOURN

Moved by Martin, supported by Verhaeghe, to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

President Martin adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill M. Urban
Secretary