

MENOMINEE INDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
MAY 4, 2020
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
5:00 P.M.

ZOOM Call in # 1-631-621-7675 PIN 491604320

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. and verified a quorum was present.

PRESENT: Ms. Caldwell, Ms. Corn, Ms. Fish, Mr. Frieson, Mr. Miller, Ms. Richmond, Ms. Washinawatok

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Waukau, Chuck Raasch, Kate Mikle, Karl Morrin, Kyla Jones

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Waukau shared that it is Teacher Appreciate week, the first week in May acknowledges all teachers. He added if the Board members get a chance, send principals a note to share with teachers. We want to be thanking all our teachers.

- a. **Election of Officers**: Ms. Washinawatok made a motion to nominate Mr. Miller for Board President; seconded by Ms. Richmond. Ms. Washinawatok made a motion to close nominations; seconded by Ms. Fish. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried. Mr. Miller was re-elected Board President.

Ms. Corn made a motion to nominate Ms. Washinawatok for Board Vice-President; seconded by Ms. Caldwell. Mr. Frieson made a motion to close nominations; seconded by Ms. Corn. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried. Ms. Washinawatok was re-elected Board Vice-President.

Ms. Richmond made a motion to nominate Ms. Corn for Board Treasurer; seconded by Ms. Washinawatok. Ms. Washinawatok made a motion to close nominations; seconded by Ms. Caldwell. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried. Ms. Corn was re-elected Board Treasurer.

Ms. Corn made a motion to nominate Ms. Richmond for Board Clerk; seconded by Mr. Frieson. Ms. Caldwell made a motion to close nominations; seconded by Ms. Corn. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried. Ms. Richmond was re-elected Board Clerk.

Mr. Waukau shared the committee assignments will be done at the next meeting. Board members are to let Mr. Miller know what assignment they are interested in.

- b. **Continuance of Learning Update:** Mr. Waukau elaborated on the continuance of learning in our schools. He added we are doing and keeping some level programming for our students. However, one issue we are working on is WIFI availability to parents, and now we have a way to help bridge that gap. We now have 15 hotspots on our busses to be taken with us to take to the community. Mr. Waukau further added he seen this done in other states. We have a chrome book for every child. We want to do a test run around May 18 and go around the community and start interacting with our families. We want to stay in touch with our families, especially our students. DPI has modification guidelines and can now do virtual for summer school, and it will also allow us to count hours of instruction. Kyla Jones was present and brought a sample hotspot box. She noted they are a cellular data, have 4 antennas and are high powered. They can be screwed into the bus so they cannot be removed, or plug in to a room in the community, and can also be plugged in a vehicle, then up to 50 devices can connect. The range can encompass an entire parking lot. Kyla also shared an email was set up for parents to notify the district if they did not have WIFI capability. Mr. Waukau added we might have to start asking on Wednesday at the food delivery too. The time span would be 2-3 hours. The thought was to have one teacher on the bus to be available for students, and we can send breakfast and lunch. Mr. Waukau also shared we also want to send out our language teachers, our PE teachers and do PE activities. May 18 is the trial run date to see it work. We need to reconnect with our kids, we are concerned about the time that is lost from March 13 and the unknow if this goes to fall time. Mr. Waukau shared he will come back to the Board and share what we learned. We can also put this information out on the district app. Also, we will bring the chrome books with us on the bus, but we may sign them out and will need to develop procedures for that, however the lower grade levels cannot sign them out.
3. PUBLIC HEARING 118.38(1)(b) on Request to DPI for Waiver of Hours: Board President announced the opening for public comments on waiver of hours. It was noted no one from the community has joined. Mr. Waukau explained by doing this, our hours of instruction can get waived. The information in the board packet shows the hours of instruction from the DPI site, it does list the hours. Due to COVID, all schools are going to come up short to meet the total hours. The process is to take this to the board and complete waiver form. Bottomline is we are going to come up short due to school closure. A good estimate is 350 hours at the high school, however, it will be different at KPS and middle school.
4. DISTRICT ISSUES –DISCUSSION/ACTION:

 - a. **Waiver of Instruction 118.38(1)(a):** Ms. Washinawatok made a motion to approve the waiver of hours of instruction for the 2019-20 school year; seconded by Ms. Corn. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried.
 - b. **Modification of SY 19-20 Graduation Requirements:** Mr. Frieson made a motion to approve the modifications of SY 19-20 graduation requirements as presented; seconded by Ms. Corn. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried.

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Kate Mikle shared where the high school is at with student graduation status. She added the goal is to have everyone ready by August.

- c. **Individual Employment Contract for Professional Educators:** Ms. Fish made a motion to approve the revised penalty fees for the Individual Employment Contract as presented; seconded by Mr. Frieson. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried.
5. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: no comments were made.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - a. **Regular Board 4-20-20:** Ms. Corn made a motion to approve the Regular Board minutes of 4-20-20 as presented; seconded by Ms. Washinawatok. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried.
7. FINANCE REPORT-ACTION:
 - a. **Approval of Accounts Payable:** Ms. Corn made a motion to approve the accounts payables in the amount of \$392,327.10 as follows; seconded by Ms. Fish. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried.

#53052 - #53083 for \$210,446.22
#192000822 - #192000854 for \$83,880.88
8. FUTURE MEETING DATES: Mr. Waukau noted we will need an upcoming Policy meeting this month. We could possibly do a zoom or lunch hour meeting, depending on who the committee is following the committee appointments. The next regular board meeting is May 18th at 5:00 p.m.
9. ADJOURNMENT: Ms. Washinawatok made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Frieson. There were 7 Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

David Miller, Board President