

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education held on January 18, 2021 at the Unified District Office. Those present were Juanita Morris, Jeremiah Van Doren, Ray Swearingen, Warren McDougal, Rani Pecenka, Rosemary Neaderhiser and Robert Miller; Administrators Craig Gantenbein, Steven Kimmi and Curtis Nightingale; Superintendent Pam Irwin, Clerk Cindy Regnier and 5 guests.

President Rosemary Neaderhiser called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was adopted. Motion by Robert Miller, seconded by Rani Pecenka. Motion carried 7-0.

Student Council members and sponsors from Bennington and Tescott thanked the board for their service to the schools and communities.

Ray Swearingen nominated Juanita Morris as board president for 2021. Warren McDougal moved that nominations cease. Seconded by Rani Pecenka. Motion carried 7-0. Motion by Robert Miller to name Juanita Morris as president. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 7-0.

Rani Pecenka nominated Rosemary Neaderhiser as Vice President. No other nominations for vice president were made. Motion by Warren McDougal to name Rosemary Neaderhiser as vice president. Seconded by Jeremiah Van Doren. Motion carried 7-0.

Juanita Morris presided over the rest of the meeting.

Motion by Ray Swearingen to adopt the consent agenda, approval of December 15, 2020 minutes, and checks 62601 through 62692 totaling \$246,455.70. Seconded by Rosemary Neaderhiser. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Warren McDougal to select Option 5 as presented for capital outlay expenditures for transportation. Seconded by Jeremiah Van Doren. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board enter executive session for 10 minutes to discuss student issues, inviting principal's to attend. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 7-0. The board entered executive session at 7:45 p.m.

The board recovered at 7:55 p.m.

Motion by Rosemary Neaderhiser to grant approval of graduation credit adjustment for a student based on principal recommendation. Seconded by Rani Pecenka. Motion carried 7-0.

The board discussed Continuous Improvement.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board enter executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 7-0. The board entered executive session at 8:05 p.m.

The board reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Ray Swearingen to accept the resignations of Christa Shea as Food Service Director, Ray Pesina as USD 240 Art Instructor and Shelly Drees as Bennington Grade School Instructor as of the end of the contract year. Seconded by Jeremiah Van Doren. Motion carried 7-0

President Juanita Morris adjourned the meeting.

Cindy Regnier
Clerk of the Board