

**NAH TAH WAHSH, PSA**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020**

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**Present:** Alicia DeCota (in at 3:04), Vicki Dowd, Jackie Kang (out at 4:10), Molly Meshigaud, Connee Sagataw, Marilyn Shawano, Geneva Wandahsega

**Absent:** None

**Guest(s):** Dr. Matt Johnson-Reeves, Seth Miller, Lacey Kinnart, Betty LaPointe (Zoom), Shianne Uskilith, Henry Philemon Jr., Scott Brant, Jesse Viau, Melissa Ledford, Jamie Pirlot, Rebecca Spreitzer, Kasha Lea

**Location:** School Cafeteria

Geneva Wandahsega, Chairperson, called meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

- **Mission Statement recited by members**
- **Agenda**
  - See handout.
  - Motion to approve agenda additions of Recognition of Patti Boda's retirement made by: Jackie Kang
  - Seconded by: Vicki Dowd
  - Motion carried: 5-0-0.
- **Board Meeting Minutes**
  - **August 10, 2020**
    - Motion to accept August 10, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Connee Sagataw
    - Seconded by: Jackie Kang
    - Motion carried: 4-0-2 - Vicki and Alicia abstain – not on board at the time
  - **August 13, 2020 (Special)**
    - Motion to accept August 13, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Jackie Kang
    - Seconded by: Molly Meshigaud
    - Motion carried: 4-0-2 – Vicki and Alicia abstain – not on board at the time
  - **September 10, 2020**
    - Motion to accept September 10, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Vicki Dowd
    - Seconded by: Jackie Kang
    - Motion carried: 6-0-0
  - **September 29, 2020 (Special)**
    - Motion to accept September 29, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Connee Sagataw
    - Seconded by: Alicia DeCota
    - Motion carried: 6-0-0
  - **October 8, 2020**
    - Motion to accept October 8, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Vicki Dowd
    - Seconded by: Jackie Kang
    - Motion carried: 6-0-0
  - **November 12, 2020**
    - Motion to accept November 12, 2020 meeting minutes made by: Connee Sagataw
    - Seconded by: Vicki Dowd
    - Motion carried: 6-0-1 – Molly abstain for absence

- **Annual Conflict of Interest Forms**
  - Need from: Alicia, Vicki, Jackie, Molly, Marilyn, and Geneva
  - Collected from Lacey to turn into Epicenter.
- **Election of Officers 2020-2021 School Year**
  - Chairperson
    - Nominations: Jackie Kang (accepts), Connee Sagataw (declines), Marilyn Shawano (declines)
    - Vote to accept Jackie Kang as Chairperson – all in favor – 6-0-0
    - Jackie Kang is now Chairperson
  - Vice-Chairperson
    - Nominations: Connee Sagataw (accepts), Alicia DeCota (accepts)
    - Written vote: Connee: 4 Alicia: 3
    - Connee Sagataw is now Vice-Chairperson
  - Secretary/Treasurer
    - Nominations: Alicia DeCota (accepts), Vicki Dowd (accepts),
    - Written vote: Vicki: 4 Alicia: 3
    - Vicki Dowd is now the Secretary/Treasurer
- **Geneva Wandahsega now turns it over to Jackie Kang to run the meeting at 3:25 p.m.**
- **Board would like to change the time of the meetings:**
  - Motion to change the meetings to 10:00 a.m. starting in January 2021 made by: Marilyn Shawano
  - Seconded by: Vicki Dowd
  - Motion carried: 6-0-0.
- **Fall 2019 and Fall 2020 Policies – Review 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**
  - See handouts
  - Review for 30 days and discuss at January meeting.
  - Tobacco Use policy needs attention due to our ceremonial use of tobacco. Matt will bring additional pieces about this next month.
  - Emergency Policy re: working from home
    - See separate handout
    - Nah Tah Wahsh PSA (teachers) are able to work from home during a pandemic under the declarations from the Governor and her administration.
- **Superintendent Update COVID19**
  - See handout
  - Includes a lot of details of COVID-19 infection rates
  - Numbers are improving locally.
  - 2 employees are in quarantine. Last positive case with an employee in Daycare Wing on Tuesday, November 24, 2020.
  - Wants to make sure that the new employees get the COVID-19 training through Risk Management that was video tapped.
  - MHSAA has delayed any new planning until December 16<sup>th</sup> for conclusion of fall sports as well as starting winter sports.
  - Wants to survey parents and staff at this time via online survey. How are they doing, how are handling things, emotional status, etc.

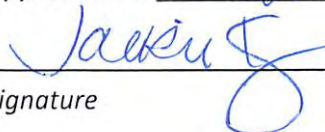
- Promotion of: Step UP: Mask UP, Back UP, Wash UP
  - Promotion and mask design contest.
  - Elementary and Kyle Kovish are executing the contest with students.
- Number of positive cases in the community have decreased as well.
- **New Business**
  - **Recognition of retirement for Mrs. Patti Boda**
    - Her last day will be December 31, 2020.
    - Readiness Kindergarten teacher
    - 35+ years in Education
    - Would like to have a retirement party in June to recognize her, Monica Thoune (retired in the summer), and possibly one more person may be retiring at the end of this year.
  - **Personnel:**
    - Posting for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
      - Current Teacher, Donna Allsworth, moving to Readiness Kindergarten as Patti Boda will be retiring.
      - Has 6 years' experience working in head start.
    - Posting for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher
      - Current Teacher, Jamie Pirlot, moving to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade as there was an opening.
    - Both jobs have been posted to various places across the U.P. and the national level for Universities.
    - Would like to add a question to the interviews: "where do you see yourself in 5 years"
    - Have received applications for both positions as well as the girl's basketball coach.
    - Perhaps scheduling interviews on Mondays or Wednesdays.
  - **Reconfirmation of Extended Learning Plan November 20-21**
    - See handout – to be posted on the school website
    - Reconfirm Instructional Delivery Method
    - Reconfirm Instruction per grade level
    - Opportunity for public comment
    - Review weekly 2-way interaction rates November 2020.
      - As of this week, using PowerSchool to document the 2-way interactions.
      - Visited 39 homes and 33 of those homes had direct contact. Great rate of contact.
        - Most common problem was not getting the kids up early and out of bed to get online.
      - Discussion about barriers, participation, and achievement.
    - Public comment: none.
  - **Option to open school certain small time blocks**
    - To set time blocks to open up school to allow students to come and use computers, have 1:1 time with teachers, give them motivation and encouragement to get them back on track.
      - To start this next week.
      - Aides and staff are working and are here to be available to students.

- Coach Josh Eagle to reach out to his players to give encouragement to get them on task with their school work so that they are eligible to play if basketball opens up (per the Governor and MHSAA).
- **Public Comment**
  - Betty LaPointe: Lacey to upload officers and meeting time change in epicenter. Notify the public about the time change of the meetings. KC would like the board self-evaluations to be done in January and to use a different form.
- **Adjourn**
  - Motion to adjourn meeting: Geneva Wandahsega
  - Seconded by: Alicia DeCota
  - Motion carried: 5-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

Recorded & prepared by: Lacey Kinnart

Approved on: 01-14-2021

  
Signature

Board President

Board Secretary