

NAH TAH WAHSH, PSA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2020

Present: Jackie Kang, Molly Meshigaud, Marilyn Shawano, Shianne Uskilith, Charles Wandahsega, Geneva Wandahsega

Absent: Connee Sagataw (excused – technical difficulties)

Guest(s): Tom Miller, Seth Miller, Lacey Kinnart, Betty LaPointe, Vicki Dowd, Brenda Woelfel-Howard, Melissa Ledford, Lisa Bedard, Jamie Pirlot, Renee Watchorn, Dan Kleikamp, Margie Gregoire, Jesse Viau, Mary Brayak

Location: Zoom Meeting online

Geneva Wandahsega, Chairperson, called meeting to order at 3:13 p.m.

- **Mission Statement recited by members**
- **Agenda**
 - See handout.
 - Motion to approve agenda with additions of engagement letter of Midwest Professional Audit made by: Jackie Kang
 - Seconded by: Marilyn Shawano
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.
- **Meeting Minutes**
 - See handout for March 12, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes made by: Shianne Uskilith
 - Seconded by: Charles Wandahsega
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.
 - See handout for April 30, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes made by: Marilyn Shawano
 - Seconded by: Jackie Kang
 - Motion carried 5-0-0
- **Charter Re-Authorization Update**
 - NMU Charter School Office is recommending a 2-year contract to their Board of Trustees
- **COVID19 Monies**
 - Trying to get a handle on the money that is available out there.
 - State of Michigan has money that is available to schools.
 - Tom and Renee are working on that.
- **Annual Budget Meeting**
 - Geneva would like it at the Convention Center – Tom to look to see if that is possible.
 - Looking to schedule at the beginning of June.
- **ISD Budget Resolution**
 - See handouts
 - Motion to support the ISD Budget made by Jackie Kang
 - Seconded by: Charles Wandahsega
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.

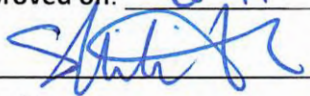
- **Memorandum of Understanding with ISD – Tech**
 - Table it until next month
- **Teacher Compensation Process**
 - New scale will be an additional \$90k this year from last year.
 - Renee will get the handout to everyone.
 - We would be one of the top paying, comparing to schools of similar size.
 - Used Class D schools for comparison – Mid Pen, Big Bay, Rapid River
 - We have a nice carry over fund, and can handle this cost.
 - Tom recommends that the board approve it, this scale will be good for 3 years.
 - Board wants to see it before they approve it – to be done at Budget Meeting.
 - Pay to be made back to the start of the school year.
- **Cognia Accreditation**
 - Submitted the request for a 1-year extension – waiting on their response.
 - Will continue paying the dues.
 - They will send 5th team to the school in 2021.
- **Graduation**
 - Rehearsal on August 12th and Ceremony on August 13th at the Convention Center.
 - To follow the state guidelines by Governor Whitmer
 - Will adjust as necessary.
- **Summer Months**
 - Admin Team is working on it – a work in progress.
 - Unsure what the rules will be.
 - Budget meeting will discuss what to do with the 9-month employees over the summer.
- **Annual Education Report**
 - Tom working on that.
- **Superintendent Search**
 - HIS Board will have presentation at next meeting.
 - Interviews are coming up.
- **New Business**
 - **Midwest Professional Engagement Letter to employ for audit**
 - Motion to support Midwest Professionals for Audit made by: Charles Wandahsega
 - Seconded by: Shianne Uskilith
 - Motion carried: 5-0-0
- **Public Comment**
 - Question about date for budget meeting – will be done in June. Cannot meet in person due to stay at home orders.
 - Suggestion to do something for the teacher that is retiring.
 - Comment about the rush about the pay scale – this scale should have been done a year ago. At no fault of anyone in Admin now. With our school there is no Union – don't want to lose any teachers due to the pay and the uncertainty.
- **Adjourn**
 - Motion to adjourn meeting: Shianne Uskilith

- Seconded by: Marilyn Shawano
- Motion carried 5-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Recorded & prepared by: Lacey Kinnart

Approved on: 6.11.2020


Signature

Board President

Board Secretary