

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS SESSION OF THE MARSHALL BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020 AT 7:00 PM, @ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo_Dw2K8ptX5eFKauouPJZQ/

PRESENT: DESMET, NICHOLSON, WILLIAMS, LANKERD, GAMBLE, LINDSEY, MIDDLETON, DAVIS, JONES

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President DeSmet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Richard Lindsey.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020-21 BUDGET

Moved by Richard Lindsey, supported by Larry Williams, that the Board of Education hold a public hearing for the purpose of taking public comment on the adoption of the 2020-21 Budget supporting the 18 mil operating levy and the 1 mil sinking fund on 7.05 mil debt levy for Marshall Public Schools, and the .6 mill debt levy for Albion Public Schools as approved by the voters. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

Director of Business Operations Becky Jones presented the 2020-21 Budgets. She reviewed the tax levies for 2020-21 that include 18 operational mills, 1.0 sinking fund mills, 7.05 debt retirement mills for all of Marshall Public Schools and .6 mill debt retirement mills on all property in Albion. Additionally, she reviewed fund equity amounts from June 30, 2002 through June 30, 2020, general fund history, revenue amounts, changes from 2019-20 to 2020-21, key assumptions to 2020-21 expenditures, anticipated capital outlay purchases and school meals fund history.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 2020-21 BUDGET

President DeSmet called for any members of the audience to address the Board on the proposed 2020-21 Budget only. There were none.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020-21 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Moved by Richard Lindse, supported by Lisa Middleton, that the Board of Education close the public hearing for the purpose of taking public comment on the 2020-21 Budget. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Richard Lindsey, supported by Amanda Lanker, that the agenda be approved as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

President DeSmet called for any members of the audience to address the Board on agenda items only. There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items included on the consent agenda were minutes of the May 18, 2020, business session, May 26, 2020, special session and the June 22, 2020 special sessions; May disbursements in the amount of \$1,731,733.49; and the District Emergency Operations Plan.

Moved Larry Williams, supported by Shawna Gamble, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT – SPECIAL RECOGNITION

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

DISCUSSION

2020-2021 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Superintendent Davis indicated that dates were the only changes to the school calendar. He also shared that there may be some parts of the handbook that will need to be fluid due to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS –FINANCIAL-BUDGET

REVISED 2019-20 GENERAL FUND AND FOOD SERVICE FUND BUDGETS: Approve the revised 2019-20 General Fund and Food Service Fund Budgets.

Moved Richard Lindsey, supported by Lisa Middleton, that the Board of Education approve Action Item A – Financial-Budget as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

2020-21 GENERAL FUND, FOOD SERVICE FUND AND STUDENT ACTIVITY BUDGETS: Approve the 2020-21 General Fund, Food Service Fund and Student Activity Budgets.

Moved Richard Lindsey, supported by Lisa Middleton, that the Board of Education approve Action Item B – Financial-Budget as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

RESOLUTION FOR DISTRICT PARTICIPATION IN MMBA AUGUST 2020 STATE AID NOTE PROGRAM: Approve a resolution allowing the district to participate in the MMBA State Aid Note program for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Moved Richard Lindsey, supported by Lisa Middleton, that the Board of Education approve Action Item C – Financial-Budget as presented. A roll-call vote unanimously carried the motion.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS –FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS FOR L-4029S WHICH SET THE OPERATING, DEBT AND SINKING FUND LEVIES FOR 2020: Approve the resolutions for L-4029s which set the millage levy for debt retirement funds and the sinking fund levies for 2020.

Moved by Richard Lindsey, supported by Shawna Gamble, that the Board of Education approve Action Items – Financial as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION 2020-21 HANDBOOK CHANGES: Approve 2020-21 handbook changes as presented. The Board received recommended changes to the 2020-21 handbooks at its May 18, 2020 business session.

Moved by Richard Lindsey, supported by Larry Williams, that the Board of Education approve Action Item – Curriculum and Instruction as presented. A roll-call vote carried the motion unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President DeSmet for any members of the audience to address the Board. There were no public comments.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS FOR WHICH NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING

Trustee Lindsey would like an update on the status of the communication plan with Summit Pointe regarding mental health and how to get the message out to the community. He would like to have a conversation regarding the timing of building improvements with the current economic situation. He would like to see us be a leader in how we approach equity, diversity and inclusion in our curriculum.

Superintendent Davis shared that he and Chad Hold are looking at a webinar training regarding cultural awareness, equity, diversity and inclusion in our curriculum.

Trustee Gamble had an informal conversation with President Johnson of Albion College regarding their diversity inclusion action plan. President Johnson is willing to speak to the board about their plan and implementation. She also requested the status of the grant the district received to hire a Clinical Social Worker to support social and emotional learning.

Superintendent Davis shared that the position has been posted but we have not seen and qualified candidates.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:13p.m.

LISA MIDDLETON, SECRETARY

BECKY JONES, RECORDING SECRETARY