

REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 10, 2020

The trustees of Manhattan School District No. 3, high school and elementary districts, met in regular session, November 10, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Activities Room and via zoom. Chairman Brownell called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Rob Brownell, Dennis Grue via zoom, Brand Robinson, Mike Swan, Ethan Severson, and Matt White via zoom.

High School Principal Jason Slater, 5-8 Principal Eric Fisher, K-4 Principal Neil Harvey, Clerk Ann Heisler via zoom, and Executive Assistant Jamie Heaps were present throughout the entire proceedings. Guests attending the meeting in person are on the list attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof. Several other guests attended the zoom meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Brownell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Chairman Brownell recognized the visitors in attendance. Rotary students of the month Sam Robertson and Shayla Shea were recognized and congratulated by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Brownell read the public comment statement, and asked for public comment on any non-agenda items. No comments were made.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mike Swan made a motion to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: Board Minutes – Regular October 13, 2020; October 2020 Payroll Warrants 39461-39498, \$558,063.12; October 2020 Claims Warrants 79178-79277, \$251,847.14, void 79250; October 2020 Student Activities Checks 26217-26270, \$10,208.83, voids 26224, 26225, 26254; the current Substitute Teacher and Volunteer list for the 2020-2021 school year. The motion was seconded by Brand Robinson and it carried with no dissenting votes. The approved warrant and check listings, the approved substitute teacher and volunteer list, are attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

ASSISTANT CHEERLEADING POSITION

Ethan Severson moved to approve the proposal to add an Assistant Cheerleading coaching position for the 2020-2021 winter season at ½ the yearly stipend. Brand Robinson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2020-2021 EMPLOYMENT

Ethan Severson made a motion to approve an employment contract for the 2020-2021 school year, pending a successful background check with the following: Samantha Ely – Assistant Cheerleading coach for the winter season, Virginia Davis – part-time custodian (less than 20 hours/week). The motion was seconded by Mike Swan, which carried with no dissenting votes.

Brand Robinson made a motion to approve an employment contract for the 2020-2021 school year with the following: Adam Van Zee – 5th/6th grade girls basketball coach, Torger Sikveland – 5th/6th grade girls basketball coach. Mike Swan seconded and it carried with no dissenting votes.

BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

COMMERCIAL ENERGY NATURAL GAS PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Superintendent Ayers approved the Commercial Energy Natural Gas Purchase Agreement Amendment as follows: Two Year Energy Safe (Fixed) Price of \$3.24/dkt for all gas delivered beginning December 1, 2020, through November 30, 2022. The Commercial Energy Natural Gas Purchase Agreement Amendment is attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE UPDATES

The committees have started meeting again, and updates will be provided at upcoming Board meetings.

PRINCIPALS' REPORT

K-4 Principal Neil Harvey, 5-8 Principal Eric Fisher, High School Principal Jason Slater, updated the Board on the impacts of Covid-19 in their schools, athletic participation, upcoming virtual parent teacher conferences, remote learners, special thanks to PTO for funding and setting up the gaga ball pits outside, appreciation for the extra prep time on Fridays.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Ayers was absent.

CLAIMS

Vouchered claims for the month of November 2020, were examined and approved for payment.

No further business appearing before the Board, Chairman Brownell adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Robert Brownell, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Ann Heisler, District Clerk

Board Approved 12/8/2020