

Highland Community Schools
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2022
6:00 p.m. – High School Board Room

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Nate Robinson.

Roll call was taken with Mike Golden, Dan Ruth, Rachel Longbine, Josh Thomann, Melissa Murphy, Monica Jepson and Nate Robinson present. Also in attendance were Ken Crawford, Superintendent, Sue Rich, Board Secretary, Angela Hazelett, Secondary Principal, Jane O’Leary, Elementary Principal and Dean of Students, Bill Zywiec.

Longbine made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 7-0

Consent Agenda Items:

Minutes: Approval of the August 8, 2022 regular meeting minutes.
Approval of the August 29, 2022 special meeting minutes.
Approval of the August 29, 2022 work session minutes.

Financial Reports: Approval of the August financial reports.

Payment of Bills: Approval of the following September bills.

General Fund - \$64,650.59
Prepaid General Fund - \$93,606.66
Schoolhouse Fund - \$302,787.66
Prepaid Schoolhouse - \$5,400.00
Activity Fund - \$3,441.52
Prepaid Activity Fund - \$607.44
Lunch Fund - \$24,945.75
Insurance Fund - \$1,195.00

Fundraisers: National Honor Society - Painting of “H” on driveways

Longbine made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Seconded by Ruth.

Motion carried 6-0

Thomann abstained

Receive Visitors: None

Student council members Kerra Longbine, Sara Burton, Adeline Krotz and Taylor Schnoebelen gave a report on some of the activities they will be doing throughout the year. The year will start with Homecoming where they will be involved with dress up days, Huskie Olympics and Boom Night. Some of the other events during the year are the Halloween celebration, winter wonderland, prom and graduation. A few other things they will be involved with this year are a butter braid fundraiser, pep assemblies and student section changes in the gym.

Longbine made a motion to approve the reconsideration committee. Seconded by Ruth.

Motion carried 7-0

Mr Crawford went over the below board policies and discussed these annual policies.

- 501.5 - Attendance Center Assignment
- 606.1 - Class Size - Class Grouping
- 606.6 - Insufficient Classroom Space
- 607.2 - Student Health Services

Mr Crawford gave a report on the fall sports numbers. Most of them remained steady but cross country and JH football were both up from last year.

Mr Crawford discussed the Health Office Handbook which is part of policy 607.2. Ruth made a motion to approve the Health Office Handbook. Seconded by Longbine.

Motion carried 7-0

Longbine made a motion to approve the Tanager Place BHIS Services to hold therapy sessions with our students within our buildings at no cost. Seconded by Thomann.

Motion carried 7-0

Golden made a motion to approve Grace C Mae Advocate Center to hold therapy sessions with our students within our buildings at no cost. Seconded by Murphy.

Motion carried 7-0

Mr Crawford went over changes on board policies 607.2 - Student Health Services, 804.7 - Radon Mitigation, 804.7R1 - Radon Mitigation Regulation, 901 - Public Examination of School District Records, 600 - Goals and Objectives of the Education Program, 601.1 - School Calendar, 601.2 - School Day, 602.1 - Curriculum Development, 602.2 - Curriculum Implementation, 602.3 - Curriculum Evaluation, 602.4 - Pilot -Experimental-Innovative Projects. These policies will be brought back to the next meeting for the second reading.

Longbine made a motion to approve the below listed board policies. Seconded by Jepson.

Motion carried 7-0

- 507.9 Wellness
- 507.9R1 Wellness - Regulation
- 508.1 Class or Student Group Gifts
- 508.2 Open Night
- 203 Board of Directors' Conflict of Interest
- 210.2 Regular Board Meetings
- 402.2 Child Abuse Reporting
- 504.5 Student Fund Raising
- 504.5R1 Student Fund Raising - Regulation
- 505.5 Graduation Requirements

Golden made a motion to approve the following appointments and modifications. Seconded by Ruth.

Motion carried 7-0

Appointments:

Samantha Cox - National Honor Society Co-Sponsor - 7%
Rocky Hamilton - JH Wrestling Coach - 7%

Modifications:

Madison Wilts - BA (3) to MA (3)
Cory Quail - Head Football Coach - 14% to 16%

Coaching Contracts:

Sonya Stanerson- High Track-7%
Angela Alberts -Jr High Track-9%
Angela Strobel-Head Track-16%
Carrie Wieland-Head Softball-14%
Clint Jones-Jr High Baseball-9%
Mike Eden-Jr High Baseball-7%
Sam Cox-Assistant Softball-12%
Cory Quail-Head Boys Track-16%

Out-of-District

Coaching Contracts:

Clint Colbert-Assistant Baseball-10%
Dylan Stewart - Head Soccer - 10%
Kelsey Hora-Jr High Softball-7%
Abbie Miller-Jr High Softball-7%
Seth Milledge-Head Baseball-14%
Travis Riggan-Head Golf -10%

Board of Directors:

Dan Ruth said the elementary playground looks great and the back to school night and beginning of the year have both been very good.

Angela Hazelett:

Thanks to Sue Rich for helping out with the phone technician and getting phone issues cleared up.

Mrs Hazelett is being a mentor for the new Dean of Students/AD at Pekin High School.

A full principal report was in the board packet.

Jane O'Leary:

It has been a smooth start to the school year.

The updates to the playground and the new library partitions have been great.

We have gotten donations from community members in order to have the School of the Wild this year.

The fall screeners will be starting soon.

Sue Rich, Board Secretary:

The school auditor Kay Chapman will be here tomorrow, 9/13 for the annual audit. The Certified Annual Report, Special Education Supplement and Transportation report will all be finalized by September 15th. A full report of these will be given at the October meeting. The school board convention will be 11/16 and 11/17 and we will discuss who all will be going in October.

Ken Crawford, Superintendent:

We have gotten a re-districting map for our school board districts and we will discuss this further at the work session on 9/26.

The board should plan to have a float in the homecoming parade.

Thanks to the staff at the elementary school that stepped up in Jane's absence.

A work session will be held on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 5:00 pm in the high school board room.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 10, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the high school board room.

Jepson made a motion to hold a closed session as authorized by Section 21.5 (1)(a) of the open meetings law to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for the board's possession or receipt of federal funds. Seconded by Ruth. Roll Call vote – All Ayes.

6:55 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0

Longbine made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Jepson.

7:32 p.m.

Motion carried 7-0

Longbine made a motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Seconded by Ruth.

Motion carried 7-0

Reports and documents and the full text of motions, resolutions, or policies considered by the Board at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary's office, 648-3822, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT, NATE ROBINSON

SECRETARY, SUE E RICH