

BOIS BLANC PINES SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular School Board Meeting
May 11, 2021 4:00 p.m.

According to a Mackinac County Declaration of Emergency signed in December, all local jurisdictions are able to conduct meetings remotely/virtually when necessary. The Bois Blanc Pines School District will hold hybrid meetings, which is a combination of face to face and conference calling. This allows school board members to call in to the meeting from a remote location.

All future meetings will be held at the Township Hall.

Public is still welcome to join via conference call at: 503-300-6851 code: 200494

Call to Order: The School Board President, Suzette Cooley-Sanborn called the meeting to order at 4p.m. Other board members present were Linda Gekle, Chris Hasbrouck and Cindy Riker. Jim Gilligan was absent. Our teacher, Sherry Corbett, was present. Our EUPISD Superintendent, Angie McArthur, and our administrator, Dean Paul were on via teleconference. Public also in attendance via teleconference.

Approval of Agenda: Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the agenda, as presented. The motion was seconded by Gekle. All in favor. Motion carried.

Recognition/Presentation: None

Approval of Consent Agenda: Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included minutes of last month's regular meeting, the special meeting workshops, approval of bills as presented and approval to transfer \$15,000 from saving to checking. Cooley-Sanborn seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Reports by:
Superintendent:

- Recognized Sherry Corbett for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- EUPISD Board Elections are on the agenda. The State Legislation requires that a board can't vote on the election and the delegate until May 17th. She had advised Cindy that we didn't need to pass these resolutions. Then she learned that we did. We need to consider a delegate and then have a special meeting to pass a resolution to approve. The special meeting must be between May 17th and June 7th.
- There is a EUPISD Board Meeting on Thursday, if we would like to attend via zoom. She will send the link.

Administrator:

- Continued work on MICIP. The team met a few days ago. They identified the key components of the process and the cycle. Sherry has a ton of data to contribute. Part of the process is establishing the purpose of the curriculum map. The academic needs will focus on writing and math. The non-academic will focus on social and emotional learning. Next meeting is May 27th at 4pm.
- One more teacher observation to go before wrapping up the evaluation
- Recognized Sherry for great job done.

Teacher:

- M-Step is done.
- NWEA coming up
- Mother's Day projects were done and sent home.
- The garden is growing. She will be getting the poles and fencing in a couple of weeks.

- Would like to know if the board would approve sending Chromebooks home for the summer. Or check to see if they have access to a computer. There is a program called RAV KIDS. She is on a 14 day trial. Thinks it would cost \$100-\$200 for an annual subscription. Students are tired of IREAD. She got them online with RAV and they loved it.
- Depending on our fall enrollment we may need more desks. Suzette had spoken with the real estate people and right now there is nothing solid. They will let us know if any future families moving here.
- Need a teacher's desk and chair.
- The plywood boards in the restroom hallway is coming loose. We need to add more screws and/or caulk before the start of next school year.
- No field trips this year. They would like to go back to the farm on a Friday in order to take advantage of some special programs that take place that day. Also thinking of Mackinac Island and bowling.
- During the summer will be coming up a couple of times a week to check on the veggies. Students are very excited. Might do something more formal next year. Perhaps in the Gibson Park.
- Cindy mentioned we are looking at a bi-fold or accordion door for the restroom entryway. We could also use one going into the reading room. Also, we need to clear an area for the burn barrel and add gravel around it.

Committee: None

Old Business:

Architect Services: Cindy had a conversation with Sean LaRock from IDI and answered all the questions he had sent in an email. He will be finalizing the paperwork. He wants a list of the contractors that should receive the bid letter. Cindy will send that to him. IDI will send bid letters and answer any questions from the contractors. The bids will come to the school. He hopes to have everything complete within a couple of weeks. Cindy to follow.

Covid-19 Learning Plan/Monthly Reconfirmation: Each month we will be required to reconfirm our Learning Plan, as well as give attendance results for the 4 week period. The public and Board was asked if they had any questions or concerns. No reply. Riker made a motion to approve the reconfirmation as presented. Supported by Hasbrouck. All in favor. Motion carried.

Note: Before talking about NEOLA, Suzette wanted to know that in view of the information we had received from Mackinac County showing that our county was still declaring a state of emergency and therefore allowing hybrid meetings, could she be marked as attending the April meetings versus being public. Angie said that since these were workshops and there were no decisions made, she felt we would be fine marking her as in attendance.

NEOLA Update: We have gone through the first reading on the draft documents for our bylaws and policies, as well as the spring updates. There was one open item which was who our LASO (Local Agency Security Officer) would be. It will be Jennifer Jahn from the ISD. Cindy asked the Board on whether or not there were any additional questions or concerns relating to the Board Docs in NEOLA. There being none, Cindy Riker made the following motion "Having had a 1st and 2nd reading of the Bois Blanc Pines School District's Bylaws and Policies, I make a motion to pass the resolution to adopt the same. Supported by Hasbrouck. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried. Cindy then asked the Board on whether or not there were any additional questions or concerns relating to the NEOLA Spring Updates. There being none, Cindy Riker made the following motion "Having had a 1st and 2nd reading of the Bois Blanc Pines School District's Bylaws and Policies Spring updates, I make a motion to pass

the resolution to adopt the same as reviewed with the policy disposition sheet. Supported by Hasbrouck. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried

Survey of Gibson Park: Granger Surveyors were here a couple of weeks ago. They will be back to complete on May 17th. Will get final survey to us soon. Michael Leppen was notified and he will work with the Hoover Foundation once received.

Teacher Contract: The teacher declined going into closed session to discuss her contract. We discussed the insurance portion of her contract. Sherry will remain on COBRA through the first of the year. We recommended she keep that insurance in order to avoid starting deductibles in mid-year. We will find something for her equal to or greater than what is currently offered. We will pay up to the medical cap and Sherry will be responsible for anything over that amount. She would like us to find something that would not require any out of pocket money to her. We will attempt to do so. Dental and Vision portion does not have a cap like the medical. We contribute up to \$420 annually for that coverage. There may need to be an addendum to the contract once we find insurance. Discussion on the salary. Cindy reviewed some analysis she provided to the Board. We have previously used CPI when considering raises. March CPI was 2.6%. Discussion by Board and teacher. Sherry brought forward many points to increase her salary more. She gave up some insurance that we do not offer, such as short-term disability, long-term disability and life insurance. She feels she has done a good job and has done what the Board has asked. There have been many successes, not to say there have not been some bumps. Cindy mentioned that Sherry's contract expires in August. So if the Board wants more time to consider, we could do so. Or someone could make a motion for a 2.6% raise. Cindy Riker made a motion to table this decision until next month in order to gather more comparable information on wages within our ISD. Hasbrouck supported. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried

New Business:

EUPISD Proposed 2021-2022 Budget: Cindy explained to the Board about the ISD sending their proposed budget to us every year. There were no questions or concerns. Suzette Cooley-Sanborn made a motion to pass the resolution approving the EUPISD General Fund Operating Budget for 2021-2022. Supported by Riker. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried,

EUPISD Board Election Policy: Cindy had a conversation with Angie and we thought we did not need to complete this policy. Angie then found out we did. Cindy reviewed the process we used to go through and how it's changed. So today we need to pass a "Resolution to consider designation of electoral representative for the June 7, 2021 Biennial Election. We cannot pass a resolution to designate Jennifer Jahn as the representative until at least May 17th and before June 7th. We will need to schedule a special meeting to do so. Suzette Cooley-Sanborn made a motion to adopt the said resolution, supported by Riker. Roll call vote: Ayes: Gekle, Hasbrouck, Riker and Cooley-Sanborn. Nays: None. Absent: Gilligan. Motion carried. We will plan on the 20th at 4pm. A notice will be posted.

Budget Considerations: Cindy reviewed with the Board some of the expenses we may incur during the 2021-2022 Budget. Some additional items were added.

School Board Training: Since we have a few new school board, Cindy would like to have a meeting to go through all the documents copied to the Board each month. We will do this at the 20th meeting. We also need to train on our Communication Plan.

Board Comments: Cindy gave everyone a heads up to next month's meeting. We will be looking at an amended 2020-2021 budget, a proposed 2021-2022 budget and the 2021-2022 school calendar. We will need to open up the meeting to a public meeting for budget purposes. We will be looking at updating the Staff/Student Handbook.

Public Comment: Chris Hasbrouck wanted to speak as public regarding an IEP. Angie asked her to take this off line as this was not Board business and we needed to maintain student privacy.

Other Business: Suzette wanted to know if we were going to have any new school shirts, hats, etc. Sherry is in the process of getting something together. She will send the information to the Board. Work in progress.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Riker, Secretary/Treasurer
Bois Blanc Pines School Board