

Aviston Elementary School District #21
Board of Education Regular Meeting
May 20, 2020—7:00 PM
MINUTES

*Note: This meeting was held in an online format due to the temporary changes in the Open Meetings Act to conform to social distancing/public gathering requirements during the COVID-19 pandemic. Public notice and an opportunity for public access/attendance/comment was given in accordance to the Open Meetings Act.

1. Call to Order— 7:02 pm
 - a. Roll Call
 1. Members present: Thole, Voss, Eversgerd, Jansen, Toennies, Schulte, Strubhart
 2. Members absent: None
 3. Non-Members present: Superintendent Hamil, Amanda Beer, Amy Schilling, Kara Holtgrave, Stacey Lampe, Tammy Kuper, Samantha Crandall, Brianne Kuhn, Lisa Kauling, Michelle Mearns, Jennifer Semanisin, Patti Sauer, Rose Wilken, Shelly Albers, Kim Haukap
2. Public Comment/Recognition of Visitors/Good News Report
 - a. No public comment or visitor comment was given
 - b. Good news Report:
 1. Superintendent Hamil recognized the hard work of Aviston teachers and parents during the remote learning period of the school closure due to COVID-19.
 2. Randy Voss was congratulated on completing the Illinois Association of School Boards initial board member trainings.
3. Motion to amend the agenda:
 - a. None
4. Approval of Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approve Minutes of Regular April 22, 2020 Meeting
 - b. Approve Payment of Bills
 - c. Treasurer’s Report
 - d. Motion by Voss, second by Schulte to approve the consent agenda items.
 - e. Roll Call: Thole, aye; Voss, aye; Eversgerd, aye; Jansen, aye; Toennies, aye; Schulte aye; Strubhart, aye. None opposed. None Absent.
5. Superintendent’s Report
 - a. COVID-19 School Closure Updates – The last day for student instruction was May 19, with the remaining five days of the school year being designated “Remote

Learning Planning Days” to allow teachers and administration a time to review the remote learning procedures and consider improvements if a similar model is needed this fall.

- b. Summer Maintenance Plan – Recommendations were provided for special summer maintenance projects including:
 - 1. Parking lot sealing
 - 2. Installation of eyewash station in kitchen
 - 3. Installation of commercial-grade touchpad lock on storage building

 - c. 2020-2021 Staffing Updates – It is foreseen that staffing needs will continue at the level of the previous year. Recruiting a part-time kitchen assistant and paraprofessionals will be required.
6. New Business
- a. Proposed FY20 Amended Budget/Set Budget Hearing
 - 1. Updated budget balances were provided by Superintendent Hamil in preparation of the amended FY20 budget. The District budget continues to have a surplus, with a slightly higher surplus than anticipated at the beginning of the fiscal year.
 - 2. Motion by Strubhart, second by Jansen to set the FY20 amended budget hearing for June 17, 2020 at 7:00 pm.
 - 3. All in favor. None opposed. None Absent.

 - b. School Fees 2020-2021
 - 1. School fees will continue to be \$150 for the book fee and \$2.80 for lunches.
 - 2. No action taken.

 - c. PRESS Policy Issue 103 Adoption
 - 1. Action taken to add PRESS Policy Issue 103 to the District Policy Manual
 - 2. Motion by Voss, second by Jansen to adopt PRESS Policy Issue 103 as presented.
 - 3. All in favor. None opposed. None Absent.

- d. Consolidated District Plan Adoption
 - 1. The Consolidated District Plan is required to begin the application process for federal Title grants and must have Board approval. Aviston's focus for Title funds is to identify at-risk students and provide academic and social support through the use of resources acquired through Title funding.
 - 2. Motion by Strubhart, second by Jansen to approve the Consolidated District Plan as presented.
 - 3. All in favor. None opposed. None Absent.

- e. Parking Lot Sealant Project Bids
 - 1. The Board requested more information regarding the maintenance timeline and warranty information on the current asphalt surfaces.
 - 2. No action taken.

- f. Promethean Board Expansion
 - 1. Approval to purchase four Promethean Boards, accessories and warranties.
 - 2. Motion by Jansen, second by Voss to purchase Promethean Boards, accessories and warranties from Haddock Education Technologies in the amount of \$14,090.
 - 3. Roll Call: Thole, aye; Voss, aye; Eversgerd, aye; Jansen, aye; Toennies, aye; Schulte aye; Strubhart, aye. None opposed. None Absent.

- g. District Employee Resignations
 - 1. Motion by Thole, second by Jansen to accept the resignations of Rebecca Elliott as 8th Grade English/Language Arts Teacher and Jennifer Semanisin as Special Education Teacher.
 - 2. All in favor. None opposed. None Absent.

- h. Consideration to Hire Title I/4th Grade Teacher
 - 1. Motion by Thole, second by Voss to hire Mariah Markus as Title I/4th Grade Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - 2. Roll Call: Thole, aye; Voss, aye; Eversgerd, aye; Jansen, aye; Toennies, aye; Schulte aye; Strubhart, aye. None opposed. None Absent.

7. **Closed Session--Closed session may be used to discuss contract negotiations, employee issues and other items as deemed necessary by the board and as approved in 5 ILCS 120/2 of the Open Meetings Act.
 - a. Motion by Thole, Second by Strubhart to enter closed session at 8:14 pm.
 - b. All in favor, None opposed. None Absent.
 - c. Motion by Strubhart, Second by Schulte to move from closed session to open session at 9:36 pm.
 - d. All in favor. None opposed. None Absent.

8. Adjournment
 - a. Motion by Schulte second by Strubhart to adjourn the April 22, 2020 meeting at 9:36 pm.
 - b. All in favor. None opposed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brad Eversgerd, President

Kristi Toennies, Secretary