

**HOLDEN R-III
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
January 11, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Tonyea Inglis at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School library.
- Roll Call:** All seven members were present at the meeting.
- Board Norms:** The Board reviewed their norms.
- Agenda:** A motion by Alex Haun, second by Sarah Abel to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.
- Consent Agenda:** A motion by Sam Thomason, second by Georgia Jarman to approve the consent agenda which included:
1) Minutes from the December 14th meeting; 2) Payment of Bills; and 3) Sub List Changes. Motion carried 7-0.
- Communications:** None.
- Reports:**
1. **Guidance, Social Worker & Bright Futures Reports**—The guidance department and social worker shared their reports on the counseling, social worker and Bright Futures departments. The counselors reported on each building’s task analysis, Signs of Suicide program, professional development, and goals. They noted that the social worker and the cooperative agreement with Country Crossroads on-site facility in the H.S. is very beneficial to students and the counseling department. Andie Smith, District social worker, reported on her duties and how she supports the families and counselors. She also reported on the Bright Futures program and shared some of the ways the program helps provide students basic needs. (Report attached to minutes)
 2. **Superintendent’s Report**—Dr. Hough shared:
 - a) **MSBA January video information** regarding state assessments, school board elections, legislative priorities and School Board Recognition Week—Feb. 14-20.
 - b) **Financial Review**—Board members participated in an activity making them familiar with how expenditures are separated into the four different District fund accounts in the budget.
 - c) **COVID-19 update**—District employees using COVID leave under the Federal FFCRA through December 31st was 43% with 13% of them using all of their allowed COVID leave. Dr. Hough shared that 45% of the substitute budget has been used, so the District is currently slated to stay within budget on substitutes for the year. He noted that he had reached out to MSBA and asked for possible COVID-19 leave resolutions since the Federal leave act expired at the end of December. MSBA provided sample resolutions in which Dr. Hough will be recommending board members approve under New Business. He also reported the District’s COVID dashboard numbers are relatively low at this time.
 - d) **Strategic Planning Update**—Dr. Hough reported the invitations had been emailed out to board members, staff and parents/community members for the 6 strategic planning committee meetings to be held in late January and early February.
- Old Business:**
1. None.
- New Business:**
1. **Construction Payment**— After discovering a noise issue had not been resolved with one of the new M.S. HVAC units, Dr. Hough recommended the Board rescind the previously approved Heartland Mechanical payment of \$34,692.20 and only approve the payment request of \$29,663.20 until the issue is resolved. A motion by Kevin Coleman, second by Georgia Jarman to rescind the payment to Heartland Mechanical in the amount of \$34,692.20. Motion carried 7-0. A motion by Kevin Coleman, second by Ray Briscoe to approve the payment of \$29,663.20 to Heartland Mechanical. After discussion, motion carried 6-1, Sam Thomason voted no.
 2. **2021-22 Tuition Rates**—A motion by Sam Thomason, second by Georgia Jarman to set the K-12 tuition rate at \$10,078 per student, per year and PK tuition rate at \$100 per week as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

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New Business (cont.) 3. **COVID-19 Leave Resolution**—A motion by Ray Briscoe, second by Sarah Abel to approve the COVID-19 leave resolution effective January 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Policy Review:

1. **Section F Policy Review**—The board reviewed section F of the board policies. No action taken.
2. **MSBA Board Policy ACA & GBEBB Updates**—2nd Reading— No action taken.

Miscellaneous:

1. **Board President Updates**—The February 8th board meeting agenda will include:
Reports—A+ Program, SPED, Library/Media/Technology Reports and Supt. Updates
New Business—Amend Budget, Approve 2021-22 School Calendar
Policy Review—Review Section G, Policies ACA and GBEBB 3rd reading
Executive Session—Formative Evaluations of Support Staff, Review Teacher Evaluations, & Summative Evaluation of Admin.
2. **Board Filing Dates**—Filings close on January 19th at 5:00 p.m.
3. **Set Special Meeting to Approve Ballot and honor All State Softball**—Tuesday, January 19th, 5:30 p.m. at H.S. Library
4. **2021-22 School Calendar Board Representative**—Georgia Jarman agreed to serve as the board representative on the committee.

Executive Session: A motion by Ray Briscoe, second by Sam Thomason to hold an executive session as per section 610.022 following the February 8th, 2021 meeting. After roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

A motion by Georgia Jarman, second by Sarah Abel to hold an executive session as per section 610.021 for the purposes of (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting particular employees. After roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment: A motion by Georgia Jarman, second by Sarah Abel to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Patricia Raker, Secretary

Tonyea Inglis, President