

Minutes of The Greenspire School
Board of Education - Regular Meeting
May 21st, 2018

- I.* **Call to Order & Roll Call:** President Kurt Sanford called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. The meeting was held in the Math Commons. Present: Kurt Sanford, Steve Cousins, Yvette Ringsmuth, Megan Batdorff, Tara Ward. Absent: Dodd Russell, Matthew Missias.
- II.* **Changes or Additions to Agenda:** Kelly recommended moving the staff report from committee reports to discussion item, IXb. Adopted.
- III.* **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Ward to approve the regular meeting minutes dated April 23rd, 2018, seconded by Ringsmuth; voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays; motion carried.
- IV.* **Public Comment:** None
- V.* **Recognitions:** None
- VI.* **Board Correspondence:** None
- VII.* **Presentations:** None
- VIII.* **Reports:**
 - a. Superintendent's Report: Kelly updated the board on enrollment, thanked Eric Breithaupt for his work over the past four years and welcomed Steve Cousins to the board.
 - b. President's Report: Sanford discussed the high school exploratory committee and thanked board and staff for their work on this initiative.
 - c. Treasurer's Report: Batdorff reported on month financials which project a 9.25% fund balance for FY17-18. The projected FY18-19 budget exceed that amount and she encouraged setting fiscal goals going forward.
 - d. Committee Reports
 - i. Facilities/Finance: Batdorff reported on district finances and the recommendation that \$20,000 be budgeted for expansion costs. She estimated that \$10,000 will be used for a traffic study and \$3,000 for an appraisal. She reported that the Walton Foundation has a program for funding charter schools which provides low to no cost funding. This particular fund is intended for capital investment. Sanford and Batdorff will be continue discussions with them. Sanford reported on the appraisal with a cost of approximately \$4650. Only one appraiser bid. Kelly reviewed companies contacted for traffic survey including AECOM, WadeTrim, and Gosling Czubak. Sanford discussed switching from Traverse City Light & Power to Consumer's Energy to take advantage of environmental design

rebates. He also discussed a weather station. Parent Tim Bell has offered to donate the tower and the Sanford family has offered to cover additional expenses.

- ii. Personnel: Ringsmuth reviewed the personnel committee minutes. Upcoming interviews and follow up interviews for World Language and P.E. teachers were discussed.
- iii. Curriculum: Did not meet.
- iv. Faculty summary: Moved to discussion item IXb.
- v. Family/Teacher Council: Kelly reviewed meeting minutes from May 14, 2018.

IX. Discussion Items:

- a. AccessPoint Contract Renewal 2018-2019: Kelly reviewed the one year contract with AccessPoint and recommended it's adoption.
- b. Enrollment & Salary Increases: Kelly reviewed his proposal for salary increases. Kelly Francisco, staff member, read the staff report which supports the proposed increase.
- c. Preliminary FY18-19 Budget: Kelly reviewed the final budget amendment and the proposed budget for FY18-19.

Kelly Francisco reviewed staff report, which stated staff will be providing feedback on which authorizers they prefer. She stated that the staff supports the acquisition of land but would like regular updates going forward. She also stated staff support for renewing the contract with AccessPoint, appreciated updates from the board retreat, excitement about plans for future high school but concerned about multi-purpose building. Kelly expressed his concern that the multi-purpose building is not a revenue generating building, and would take tremendous resources to acquire the property. Sanford clarified that the building was being explored and would augment the current campus in valuable ways. Ward requested that the faculty summary be placed in the the board packet in the future.

- d. Broker Agreement for High School Property: Sanford reviewed the brokerage contract.
- e. Charter Reauthorization: Sanford reviewed the five charter school authorizers that have visited the school. Kelly reviewed a document comparing each. The board will recommend two, possibly three authorizers, at the June meeting.
- f. Michigan Department of Education School Index Overview: Kelly reviewed the new Michigan State Index system.
- g. Board Recruitment: Sanford stated that Dodd Russell will be leaving the board at the end of June but join the finance committee as an ad hoc member. Kelly reviewed the process of onboarding new board members and reviewed the list of potential candidates. He recommended the board consider the candidacy of Laura Oblinger with due haste. Cousins and Sanford both supported Oblinger's candidacy.

X. **Action Items:**

- a. Abstinence-Based Reproductive Health Curricula: Motion by Ward to approve the abstinence-based reproductive health curricula, seconded by Batdorff; voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
- b. Change in Meeting Date / June Board of Education: Motion by Ringsmuth to approve the BOE meeting from June 18th to June 25th, seconded by Cousins, voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
- c. Superintendent's Evaluation Update: Motion by Cousins to approve the performance goals of Kevin Kelly, seconded by Ward: voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

XI. **Public Comment:** None.

XII. **Adjournment:** Motion by Ward to adjourn meeting, seconded by Ringsmuth, voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Eric Breithaupt
Recording Secretary