# HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK SESSION MINUTES

3886 Van Buren Street August 17, 2021 7:00 PM

**Board Members Present:** Bowerman, Davis, Hall, Hooper, Sneden, Tuttle

Administrators Present: Armstrong, Briggs, Taylor, Thomas, VanderJagt

President Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **Approval of Agenda**

President Hall suggested an amendment to the agenda to include a closed session for property discussion. Motion by Kapenga, supported by Bowerman to approve the agenda as presented with the revisions.

Vice President Davis made a motion to review staff professional development including consultant engagement in open session. Motion was seconded by Hooper. Bowerman-No, Davis-Aye, Hall-No, Hooper-Aye, Kapenga-Aye (members Sneden and Tuttle were not present at this time)

Motion Carried

#### **Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present**

President Hall opened the floor to the audience. The following addressed the Board (some individuals did not state their address):

Leah Mathewson, Rolling Hills neighborhood

Kathy Bielecki, 3774 Sun Chase, Hudsonville

Aron Duby, 3175 Barry, Hudsonville

Kate Ritsema, Jamestown

Tom O'Brien, 4287 Meadowood Ct., Hudsonville

Keith Leyendecker, 3908 Perry Street, Hudsonville

Erica Bowers, Beechcrest Drive, Hudsonville

Alden

David Kleinjans

Heather Talsma

Kristin DeHorn

Tammie DenBoer, Heritage Street, Hudsonville

David Bendert, 3417 Hillcrest, Hudsonville

Brian Dokter, Glen View Golf Course area

#### **Construction Update**

Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent, gave an update on bond construction projects including the following projects: tennis courts, freshman campus entrance, connector between the freshman campus and high school, and the 5/6 building.

#### **Bid Timeline Review**

Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent, spoke about future construction projects that the district will begin planning for at Park and Bauer Elementary.

#### **Staff Professional Development and Consultant Engagement**

Dr. VanderJagt and the Board of Education discussed professional development plans for staff, specifically the training regarding Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging and consultant Julian Newman.

#### **Closed Session**

Motion by Tuttle, supported by Sneden to go into closed session to discuss a construction legal matter and safety matter at 9:13 p.m. Ayes-All

Motion Carried

# **Open Session**

Motion by Davis, supported by Bowerman to return to open session at 9:38 p.m. Ayes-All Motion Carried

### Adjournment

Motion by Tuttle, supported by Kapenga to adjourn at 9:44 p.m. Ayes: All Motion Carried

Robin VandenBerg, Recording Secretary for the Board of Education