

HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
Freshman Campus Media Center
3370 Allen Street
March 28, 2022
6:00 PM

Board Members Present: Davis, Hall, Hooper, Kapenga, Sneden, Tuttle

Administrators Present: Armstrong, Bernard, Briggs, Hart, Petroelje, Taylor, Thomas, VanderJagt

President Hall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Sneden, supported by Tuttle, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present

President Hall opened the floor to the audience. The following addressed the board:

Gwen Snoeyink
Leah Herbison

Retirements

Armstrong indicated that 13 people are retiring and will be recognized at the May board meeting.

Security Update

Mike Petroelje, Safety Director, reported district-wide portable radios with private channels are being utilized along with four 800 MHz units that can contact the sheriff's office directly. Reviewed the OK2Say program, the threat assessment tool, teacher and staff training, and the partnership with the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office and the Ottawa Area Secure Schools Network.

OCSN Presentation

Melissa Bernard, Student Services Coordinator, spoke regarding the Ottawa Community Schools Network. Alli Vance is the School Community Coordinator at South Elementary. Bernard and Vance have established many community partnerships that are now supporting students with various obstacles such as housing insecurity, hunger, and lack of clothing. This program has been so successful that it will be extended to Alward Elementary and Baldwin Street Middle in the 2022-2023 school year.

Secondary PBIS Update

Melissa Bernard, Student Services Coordinator, explained the interconnected systems framework for PBIS. Indicated two additional PBIS Specialists are being hired. She reviewed the three tenants of teach, acknowledge, analyze data and discussed PBIS efforts involving both transportation and student mental health.

Property Tax Collection Rates

Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance, reviewed the tax agreements between municipalities and the OAISD and will be bringing them to the board for approval on April 14.

RULER Update

Mandy Thomas, Special Services Director, reported that the survey data had been re-examined closely to evaluate fluctuations noticed in the data. She indicated further practice of the curriculum would be necessary to evaluate it properly.

Book Update

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, stated that the book "Half of a Yellow Sun" is still in the appeal process due to a committee member needing to step down, but a recommendation will be forthcoming on April 18. The committee decided "The Kite Runner" would stay in the book club, and that decision was not appealed. The committee agreed that "A Thousand Splendid Suns" would remain on school library shelves, but this decision is being appealed.

Virtual School Co-Op

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, discussed the possibility of partnering with Kelloggsville Public School to provide a virtual school experience for Hudsonville students who cannot attend a traditional classroom for various reasons. This exploration aims to offer an alternative route to graduation and further serve students in Hudsonville.

DAC Meeting

Mandy Thomas, Special Services Director, summarized the actions at the first Diversity Advocacy Committee Meeting and introduced chairwomen Carissa Woodwyk. Woodwyk explained that the committee reviewed data and relevant laws to prepare for future meetings.

Tennis Court Re-Surface Bids

Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance, reported that the courts at Riley and Baldwin need repair. The bid recommendation presented at the next board meeting will be to award the job to Racquet Sports. They bid \$79,830 and could complete Riley this summer. Baldwin needs more extensive repair and thus would be completed next summer.

Fieldhouse Ceiling

Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent, indicated a problem was discovered with the height of the building, and three additional feet would need to be added. There are some timing issues, but a solution has been found. It could delay the opening by 3 to 6 months, but it is too early in the process to be sure of the timeline.

SOAR Update

Dr. VanderJagt stated that the halfway mark for the strategic plan would be July 1. Ami Taylor gave a curriculum update. Anne Armstrong gave a human resources update. Mandy Thomas gave a special services update. Patrick Briggs gave a finance update. Dr. VanderJagt gave a co-curricular update.

Adjournment

Motion by Kapenga, supported by Tuttle, to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Stephanie Fast, Recorder