

**Hesperia Community Schools
Board of Education
May 1, 2017
Work Session/Special Meeting**

The work session meeting was called to order by Board President Pat Broton at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Board Members Present: Wenberg, Flanery, Sturtevant, Broton, Good, Daniels, and Allen.

Board Members Absent: None

All present took the pledge.

Vaughn White, Superintendent, commented that there will not be a need to go into closed session for negotiations at this meeting. We may need to schedule a closed session for the May 15th meeting for negotiations.

Presentations

- A memorial book was presented in memory of Mrs. Beverly Armstrong.
- Mr. Robert Naughton, Financial Advisor from PFM, gave a presentation on the refunding possibility of the 2009 Building and Site Bonds. He outlined the options and gave an explanation of the expected savings by doing the refunding. The pricing of the bonds could occur as early as August 2017. The consensus of the Board was to go ahead with the refunding.
- Dr. Lori Clark, NC RESA Superintendent, gave a presentation on the NC RESA General Fund Budget, services provided, and answered any questions from Board members.

Public Comments

- Karen Kasankiewicz commented on the special education millage request and reminded everyone to vote.

Correspondence

- Information was received on the teachers that were recognized as outstanding educators in Newaygo County. Teaching staff recognized were Ben Westgate, Jim Cherry, and Becky Kamphorst.
- The NC RESA Board Resolution for the purpose of electing two board members was received.

Facilities/Grounds/Technology

The following informational items were discussed:

- A bus update was given on the red tag situation. The inspections were discussed. The state has increased the number of inspectors and conducting more detailed inspections. Our fleet is getting older. We are working towards resolving the issues.

Finance

The following informational items were discussed:

- Information from the community forum on the budget was presented and briefly discussed. The items from the meeting will be reviewed for possible cost savings.
- The NC RESA General Fund Budget Resolution will be an action item at the regular May meeting.

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Personnel/Policy

- An update was given on the Strategic Planning process.
- A resignation was received from Caitlin Broton with an effective date of May 19th.
- We are having a visit from the Department of Education and will be showcasing to them all of the wonderful things we are doing for education in Hesperia.
- A FIRST reading of 3131 – Layoff and Recall Procedure Administrative Guidelines was done and a comparison was outlined between our current policy and the guidelines. A copy of the guidelines will be available prior to the SECOND reading. The SECOND reading will be on the May 15, 2017, regular meeting.
- A list was given with the names of the tenure/probationary teachers for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Joe Conkle, Athletic Director, explained the coaching recommendations which will be an action item for the May 15th meeting.
- We are transition from the third party provider PESG to EDUStaff with the hope of getting better fill rates for sub teachers.

Curriculum

There was nothing to discuss.

Board Discussion

The board discussed the following items:

- A special Board meeting will be held at 6:50 p.m. for the purpose of considering the NC RESA Board Member Election Resolution.
- A reminder was given to vote.

Motion by Daniels supported by Sturtevant to adjourn. Discussion none. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.
Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.


Michelle Allen, Secretary


Pat Broton, Board President