

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF VIRGINIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64, CASS COUNTY WHICH WAS HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024 IN THE VIRGINIA CUSD 64 MEDIA CENTER.

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE-PRESIDENT GARY BELL AT 7:00 PM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ANSWERING PRESENT: STEPHANIE HOBROCK, BETH COX, GARY BELL, MARC GIOVANNINI, AND SARAH BROCKHOUSE. CASEY FRENCH AND DUSTIN FRITSCHKE WERE ABSENT.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT WERE SUPERINTENDENT MEKELLE NEATHERY, PRINCIPALS MATT OWENS AND JEFF BOURNE, LINDA BROWN, AND DEB KROHE.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED BY ALL THAT WERE PRESENT.

MRS. NEATHERY RECOGNIZED AND THANKED MRS. DEB KROHE, THE WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN GROUP AND MR. RICHARD KROHE FOR THEIR MUCH APPRECIATED HELP WITH THE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM. THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER THIS PROGRAM HELPED SERVE OVER 6,000 MEALS TO VIRGINIA FAMILIES. MRS. NEATHERY ALSO THANKED MRS. KROHE FOR HELPING OUT AND VOLUNTEERING AT THE SCHOOL ON THURSDAYS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MRS. COX TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. ROLL CALL:

GIOVANNINI, YES	FRITSCHKE,	ABSENT
HOBROCK, YES	BELL,	YES
BROCKHOUSE, YES	COX,	YES
FRENCH, ABSENT		

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHKE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, THE BILLS, PAYROLL REPORT, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 15, 2024, THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 2ND, 2024 AND THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JULY 15, 2024 AND THE EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 2ND, 2024. ROLL CALL:

BROCKHOUSE, YES	FRITSCHKE,	ABSENT
HOBROCK, YES	BELL,	YES
GIOVANNINI, YES	COX,	YES
FRENCH, ABSENT		

MR. DUSTIN FRITSCHKE ENTERED AT 7:07 PM.

MR. GIOVANNINI UPDATED THE BOARD ON ITEMS DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CASS COUNTY FAIRBOARD. THE FOCUS OF THE DISCUSSION WAS ON THE PARTNERSHIP OF BOTH ENTITIES AND HOW TO CONTINUE IN THE FUTURE.

ITEMS HIGHLIGHTED AND ADDRESSED DURING THE PRINCIPAL REPORTS WERE: 3-5 IAR TESTS, THE NEW SCHOOL CELL PHONE POLICY AND PROCEDURES WERE OFF TO A SMOOTH START AND THE JR/SR HIGH SUMMER SCHOOL RESULTS.

ITEMS MRS. NEATHERY HIGHLIGHTED FROM HER SUPERINTENDENT REPORT WERE PRINCIPAL EVALUATIONS, PETITIONS FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOLBOARD ELECTION, THE NEW FLEET OF BUSES, THE WEIGHT ROOM/COMMUNITY CENTER AND ROE SUPPORT FOR STAFF.

NO FOIA REQUESTS FOR THE MONTH.

ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WAS THE TENTATIVE FY25 BUDGET. MORE DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MRS. FRITSCHKE TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION [ILCS 120/2 (C) (1)] TO CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE OR DISMISSAL OF CERTIFIED AND NON-CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES 10) PLACEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS AT 7:22 PM. ROLL CALL:

BROCKHOUSE, YES	GIOVANNINI, YES
FRITSCHKE, YES	BELL, YES
HOBROCK, YES	COX, YES
FRENCH, ABSENT	

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE AND SECONDED BY MR. GIOVANNINI TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION @ 7:38 PM. ROLL CALL:

BELL, YES	FRITSCHKE, YES
HOBROCK, YES	GIOVANNINI, YES
COX, YES	BROCKHOUSE, YES
FRENCH, ABSENT	

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MR. GIOVANNINI TO APPROVE THE TRACK REPAIR PROPOSAL FOR \$369,379.64 AS PRESENTED BY OMNI ENERGY PARTNERS. ROLL CALL:

HOBROCK, YES	BROCKHOUSE, YES
FRITSCHKE, YES	BELL, NO
GIOVANNINI, YES	COX, YES
FRENCH, ABSENT	

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHKE TO APPROVE TO CHANGE NAMES ON ACCOUNTS AT PETEFISH, SKILES AND CO. (REMOVE JOHN STEWART AND ADD MATT OWENS). ROLL CALL:

BELL, YES	FRITSCHKE, YES
HOBROCK, YES	GIOVANNINI, YES
COX, YES	BROCKHOUSE, YES
FRENCH, ABSENT	

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FRITSCHKE AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO APPROVE THE SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICIES 2:125, 4:70, 4:80 5:130, 5:200, 6:140, 2:70 E, 2:50, 2:60, 2:70, 2:140, 2:140 E, 2:160, 4:15, 4:20, 4:110, 5:35, 5:40, 5:180, 5:290, 5:310, 6:40, 6:110, 6:150, 6:185 AND 7:170. ROLL CALL:

HOBROCK, YES	BROCKHOUSE, YES
FRITSCHKE, YES	BELL, YES
GIOVANNINI, YES	COX, YES
FRENCH, ABSENT	

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE FIRST READ OF BOARD POLICIES 2:260, 5:100, 7:20, 7:185 AND 2:265. ACTION AND APPROVAL WILL BE AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. COX AND SECONDED BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS PRESENTED (APPROVING LINDA BROWN AND CHARITY MANNIX ADDITIONAL COURSE COVERAGE PER CBA 1ST SEMESTER OF \$2,000 EFFECTIVE 8/19/2024 AND LINDA BROWN AND MELISSA HARDWICK AS JH STUDENT COUNCIL CO -SPONSORS SPLITTING THE STIPENED \$380.93 PER INDIVIDUAL EFFECTIVE 8/19/2024) ROLL CALL:

BELL,	YES	FRITSCHÉ,	YES
HOBROCK,	YES	BROCKHOUSE,	YES
COX,	YES	GIOVANNINI,	YES
FRENCH,	ABSENT		

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:04 PM WITH ALL SAYING AYE.

CASEY FRENCH, PRESIDENT

DUSTIN FRITSCHÉ, SECRETARY

