

Thompson Board of Education

Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, May 2018

7:00 pm

In attendance:

Thomas Angelo
Shawn Brissette
Donna Godzik
Jody Houghton
Linda Jarmolowicz
Joseph Lindley
Valentine Iamartino
William Witkowski

Absent:

Kathleen Herbert

Student Liaison:

Jordon Scroczenski

Also in attendance: Melinda Smith, Megan Baker, Noveline Beltram, William Birch, Ian Polun, Larry Prentiss, Scott Sugarman, Thompson Public Schools employees, members of the public.

I. Call to Order

Chairman William Witkowski called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Fortezza Singing Group Students led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and sang "My America".

III. Citizens' Comments

Jordon Scroczenski announced Kimberly Steglitz as the TMHS Staff Recognition Recipient of the Quarter.

IV. Committee Up-Date

TMHS Alumni Association undergoing a lot of planning for end of year activities and assisting in spreading the word Joseph Lindley stated that the Tourtellotte window project is almost complete.

V. Educational Update

A. Student Spotlights

- TMHS Student of the Month: Ashley Bonnette

Aa. Student Liaison Report:

- May 15th AP Calculus Exam
- May 15th MME Day Kimball Hospice Celebration of Life @ 5pm
- May 18th Staff/Student Leadership w/ MS Leaders
- May 21st Marketing Students to NYC
- May 24th Extended Homeroom for Class Meeting/Voting
- May 25th Memorial Day Observance (Rain Date 5/29)
- May 28th Anthem singers perform thru out Memorial Events 9-12
- May 29th Safe Spaces in Thompson
- May 30th Whale Watch Boston Harbor Cruises
- May 30th HS Athletic Banquet 6:30 Raceway Rest
- May 31st TMHS Awards and Scholarship Night 6-9 pm
- June 1st HS Music Awards 6:00 pm
- June 13 – 15 Senior Exams
- June 12th Senior Walk / HS End of Year Rally 12:00
- June 18th Graduation
- June 18th – 22nd Final Exams (HS Early Release)

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B. Superintendent Update

- Teacher Appreciation – Melinda Smith thanked the teachers and paraprofessionals for their hard work and dedication throughout the school year.
 - Enrollment Update – The May enrollment is at 1,005 students, down 5 students from April.
 - Personnel Restructure Chart – Melinda Smith provided the Board with a new administrative organizational chart for approval.
 - Budget Transfers – For approval.
 - BOE Scholarship Discussion – Thomas Angelo would like to have a Board of Education Scholarship program for Tourtellotte seniors. Mr. Angelo will start the process.
 - Health Care Discussion – Thomas Kowalchik and Kimberly Quigley, Thompson Health Care Consultants, gave the Board an update on a possible new Health Care provider.
- Thomas Angelo left the meeting at 8:00pm.

C. Administrator Reports:

The administrators gave the Board an update on events and activities in their schools or departments.

VI. Action Items

A. *Minutes – Special Meeting, April 10, 2018*

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Donna Godzik, to accept the minutes of the April 10, 2018 Special Meeting, with minor correction.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

B. *Healthy Food Certification*

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Jody Houghton, to accept the Healthy Food Certification by implementing the healthy food option and to allow food exemptions.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

C. *Personnel Restructure Chart*

Motion by Jody Houghton, seconded by Valentine Iamartino, to accept the superintendent's recommendation for a new Administrative Reorganization Chart with added full-time employees.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

D. *Evaluation & Salary Adjustments Non-Certified/Non-Union Employees*

Tabled.

E. *Budget Transfers*

Motion by Shawn Brissette, seconded by Donna Godzik, to authorize the superintendent to make a budget transfer of \$133,000 from various lines to the transportation line

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

F. *Health Care Provider*

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to accept the Health Care proposal made by consultants to change from ConnictiCare to Cigna Health Coverage.

Motion – Passes. Shawn Brissette abstained.

G. *Request of Absence – Andrea Tomeo, Kindergarten Teacher*

Tabled.

VII. Correspondence

VIII. Old Business

- The Alliance contract was presented for Board approval.

Motion by Shawn Brissette, seconded by Jody Houghton, to accept the Alliance contract as presented.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

IX. Citizens Comments

Joseph Lindley stated that Luva Mead, class of 1938, passed away recently.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Linda Jarmolowicz, seconded by Donna Godzik, to adjourn the meeting at 8:42pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Danielle Pederson
Recording Secretary to the Board

Minutes Approved: