Thompson Board of Education

Special Board of Education Meeting

Monday, July 16, 2018 7:00 pm

In attendance: Absent:

Thomas Angelo

Kathleen Herbert

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

Also in attendance: Melinda Smith, Noveline Beltram, William Birch, Scott Sugarman, Robert Gentes, Frank Connolly, and Tracy Bachand

I. Call to Order

Chairman William Witkowski called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Thomas Angelo led the meeting into the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Citizens' Comments

Donna Godzik thanked the Board, Danielle Pederson, and Melinda Smith for their sympathy gifts after the passing of her sister.

IV. Committee Up-Date

Thomas Angelo stated that the Alumni Association met recently and they have numerous ideas for Alumni Week. He will be on WINY on August 15th to announce the events. The Alumni Association is also planning a TMHS reunion.

V. Educational Update

A. Lunch Rate Increase - MRFES

Melinda Smith recommended a five-cents increase in the lunch program for the elementary school which will bring the cost of lunch to \$2.85. This is up or approval.

B. Non-Union Employee Salary Increases

Melinda Smith made a recommendation to the Board on Non-Union Salary Increases to be approved.

C. TMS and TMHS Handbooks

The Board of Education reviewed the student handbooks for each school. Revisions were discussed.

D. Budget Update

Interim Finance Director, Frank Connolly, and newly appointed Finance Director, Robert Gentes, gave the Board an update on the FY18 budget. Discussion was held. The FY19 budget will be discussed at the August Board of Education meeting.

VI. Action Items

A. *Minutes – June 11*, 2018

Motion by Jody Houghton, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2018 meeting as presented.

Motion - Passes. Donna Godzik abstained.

Minutes - June 20, 2018

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2018 meeting as presented.

Motion - Passes. Donna Godzik abstained.

B. Resignations

Scott Shelton and Beth Peltier

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Donna Godzik, to accept the resignations of Scott Shelton and Beth Peltier.

Motion - Passes. Unanimous.

C. Lunch Rate Increase - MRFES

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Donna Godzik, to increase the elementary school lunches by five cents.

Motion - Passes. Unanimous.

D. Non-Union Employee Salary Increases

Motion by Joseph Lindley, seconded by Thomas Angelo, to accept the Superintendent recommendation for non-union salary increases.

Motion - Passes. Unanimous.

E. TMS and TMHS Handbooks

Tabled to August.

VII. Correspondence

None.

VIII. Old Business

Shawn Brissette asked about a policy for parents changing their children bus routes or pickup schedule throughout the school day as this causes disruption. Melinda Smith will look into a standard policy.

IX. Citizens Comments

None.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Shawn Brissette, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:34pm. **Motion – Passes. Unanimous.**

Respectfully Submitted by, Danielle Pederson Recording Secretary to the Board

Minutes Approved: August 13, 2018