

Minutes for Board of Education Meeting for Vassar Public Schools

Date: November 10, 2015

Time: 6:30 pm Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Place: Central School Band Room

- A. Call of order:
 - 1. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Randy Middlin at 6:30pm

- B. Roll Call:
 - 1. Members Present: LaPratt, Baase, Fackler, Van Wormer, Hubbard, Guile, Middlin
 - 2. Members Absent: none
 - 3. Others Present: Pierce, Nesbitt, Kiss, Marcy, Fabbro, Peplinski

- C. Pledge of Allegiance

- D. Approval of Agenda: Additions or Deletions to Agenda:
 - 1. Under F. Spotlight of the Month add 1. Austin Ostrander completed graduation requirements
 - 2. MOTION by Guile, support by Fackler to approve the agenda with changes. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous).

- E. Board Recognition and Remembrances: none

- F. Spotlight of the Month:
 - 1. Chuck Fabbro announced that Austin Ostrander recently completed his graduation requirements and was presented with a diploma.

- G. Approval of Minutes and Corrections:
 - 1. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 2. MOTION by Guile, support by Baase to approve the minutes from the October 27, 2015 Special Meeting and Closed Session. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

- H. Acceptance of Reports and/or Committee Reports:
 - 1. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Guile to approve payroll expenses as presented MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 2. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard to approve general fund expenditures as presented MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

- I. Financial Issues:
 - 1. Pierce gave an update on the State Aid payback. Pierce explained that the money was taken and then given back to us and that we will repay the amount over the next 5 years.

- J. Curriculum Issues:
 - 1. Kiss had a priority school update and mentioned that Kyle Boros was doing the NWEA test and that the results for the M-Step test were in and they were good.
 - 2. Marcy had focus school update and said that the school improvement team had met with a MDE coach and focused on NWEA data and working of focus school report. Teachers are also concentrating on math Base Camps.

- K. Bylaws and Policy Issues: none

- L. Personnel Issues:
 - 1. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Hubbard for the hiring of Ashley Koch as full time Title I teacher at Central Elementary School. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 2. Kiss explained each of the coaching positions and the people that would fill the position.
 - 3. MOTION by Guile, support by Baase for the hiring of Matt Cox as JV Girls Basketball Coach. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)
 - 4. MOTION by Hubbard, support by Van Wormer for the hiring of Jenni Whitney as 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

5. MOTION by Fackler, support by Hubbard for the hiring of Bev Guile as 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. MOTION CARRIED (all favor, Guile abstained from vote)
 6. Pierce discussed contract adjustments for Chuck Fabbro Pioneer Work & Learn Principal. Pierce explained that Fabbro will be working with the secured treatment facility in Saginaw. TISD will pay 70% and VPS will pay 30% of Fabbro's salary because of additional duties.
 7. Middlin explained ObamaCare to everyone. Middlin and Pierce suggest an In Lieu of Health Insurance agreement be brought to the board for approval. \$100 per month for 12 months versus approximately \$5,000 Health Insurance plan for single coverage paid by the school. Discussion followed.
MOTION by Hubbard, support by Fackler to agree that Vassar Public Schools will pay employees that are eligible for ObamaCare, \$100 per month for 12 months in lieu of paying for single coverage health insurance plan as presented. MOTION CARRIED (Unanimous)
- M. Student Issues: none
- N. Operational Issues: none
- O. Public Participation:
1. Brian Chapman introduced himself as the new City of Vassar manager.
- P. Superintendent's Comments:
1. Pierce had compliments to the community for their support of the football team at Ithaca. Pierce had comments regarding the many good things happening at the schools and with the school improvement plan. Pierce also mentioned that he witnessed a decorated soldier in a classroom giving the students words of encouragement.
- Q. Administrative Comments:
1. Kiss mentioned trivia night for the middle school technology fundraiser.
 2. Marcy mentioned the walk-a-thon organized by Linda Inglis and that \$4,430 was raised and that the money was split among the grade levels for classroom instruction and teaching supplies. Marcy also had comments about the annual Veterans Day tribute.
 3. Fabbro commented that his staff shipped out 157 Operation Christmas boxes with donations given by the staff.
- R. Board Member Comments:
1. LaPratt congratulated Kiss on his football team conference championship. LaPratt then wished Fabbro good luck to the upcoming basketball season. LaPratt also wanted to thank the teachers for their continued hard work and dedication.
 2. Van Wormer had comments regarding the football program and the good people of the community that support the program.
- S. Closed Session: none
- T. Dates to Remember:
- November 12: Trivia Night #3 6:00-8:00pm in the High School Cafeteria
November 20 & 21: High School Musical at 7:30pm in the Auditorium.
November 23: Parent Teacher Conferences 5:30-9:00pm
November 24: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:00pm
November 25-27: No school Thanksgiving
- U. Next Regular or Special Meeting:
- December 8th Regular Meeting @ 6:30pm in the Auditorium
- V. Adjournment:
1. MOTION by Van Wormer, support by Guile to adjourn at 7:15pm. MOTION CARRIED (unanimous)

Date 12-08-2015 Signature Russ Hubbard
Board of Education Secretary