

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, OCTOBER 16, 2023 IN THE VIRGINIA CUSD 64 MEDIA CENTER.

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

ALSO PRESENT WERE SUPERINTENDENT MEKELLE NEATHERY, PK-5 PRINCIPAL JEFF BOURNE, 6-12 PRINCIPAL JAKE STEWART, LINDA BROWN AND JENNIE BIRDSELL.

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

MRS. JENNIE BIRDSELL GAVE AN UPDATE ON DIFFERENT THINGS GOING ON WITH FFA AND AG CLASSES. ITEMS INCLUDED WERE THE AG EXPLORER CLASS, SAE WORK PROGRAM, BLESSING DONATION BOX, THE BUTTERFLY RELEASE, PORKCHOP SALES, LETTUCE HARVEST FOR THE CAFETERIA TO USE, LOG CABIN DAYS AND THE COMPETITIONS AT SPOON RIVER COLLEGE.

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

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FRITSCHKE AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, THE BILLS, PAYROLL REPORT AND FINANCIAL REPORTS AND THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2023. ROLL CALL:

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

NO COMMITTEE REPORTS TO REPORT ON THIS MONTH.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: ITEMS DISCUSSED WERE PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES, ILLINOIS SCHOOL REPORT CARD, CEO PROGRAM FOR CASS COUNTY, BUS SAFETY WEEK AND HEATHER CRIVALARE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MRS. NEATHERY RECOGNIZED AND THANKED MR. BOURNE AND MR. STEWART FOR PRINCIPAL APPRECIATION MONTH AND RECOGNIZED BOARD PRESIDENT MR. CASEY FRENCH FOR BECOMING AN ESTABLISHED BOARD LEADER.

THERE WERE 2 FOIA REQUESTS FOR THE MONTH.

OTHER ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING WERE STUDENT ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND BOARD COMMITTEES. MARC GIOVANNINI WILL NOW SIT ON THE LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND GARY BELL WILL SIT ON THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE. ALL OTHER MEMBERS WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

BRIAN WITH QFB PRESENTED TO THE BOARD ABOUT DIFFERENT OPTIONS FOR THE ENERGY CONTRACT. AFTER DISCUSSING OPTIONS THE BOARD DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE 36 MONTH CONTRACT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHKE TO APPROVE THE ENERGY CONTRACT AS PRESENTED BY QFB. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO APPROVE GRAHAM AND HYDE SERVICES FOR THE TRACK ASSESSMENT. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. COX AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO APPROVE THE SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT PROPOSAL. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE TO APPROVE THE CHAPMAN AND CUTLER BOND SERVICES. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. COX AND SECONDED BY MRS. HOBROCK TO APPROVE THE ACH ENTITY AUTHORIZATION WITH PETEFISH, SKILES AND CO. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE AND SECONDED BY MRS. COX TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION [ILCS 120/2 (C) (1)] TO CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE OR DISMISSAL OF CERTIFIED AND NON-CERTIFIED STAFF. 10) THE PLACEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS AT 7:49PM. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. BELL AND SECONDED BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:05 PM. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHÉ TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL:

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

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. HOBROCK AND SECONDED BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:06 PM WITH ALL SAYING AYE.

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CASEY FRENCH, PRESIDENT

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DUSTIN FRITSCHÉ, SECRETARY

