

MIO AUSABLE SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 29, 2020

PRESENT: Holzwarth, Hunter, Irelan, La Vigne, Mitchell, Whaley
ABSENT: Szymanski
ADMINISTRATION: Ciske
RECORDING SECRETARY: McVeigh

President Irelan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Truth & Taxation Hearing - Mills to be levied for the various funds/budgets are as follows:

General Fund:	18.0 mills on non-homestead & non-qualified agricultural property taxable value; 6 mills state education tax on all property
Debt Millage (Bond):	1.1200 mills on all property taxable value.
Sinking Fund:	0.60 mills on all property taxable value.

Budget Presentation – 2019-2020 Revised Budget – Superintendent Ciske presented the 2019-2020 General Fund budget revision. Line item budget was reviewed. The district received official word that we will receive the National Forest Timber Sale Funds in the amount of \$132,210. Title I and Title II budgets include large expenditures for technology. Changes were made during the last few months allowing the usage of Title funds for these expenditures. It is estimated that the district will end the 2019-2020 year with a 6.25% fund balance. These are unaudited figures and are subject to change upon completion of the audit.

Budget Presentation – 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget – Superintendent Ciske presented the 2020-2021 preliminary budget and stated that the budget is based on a reduction of the foundation grant by \$600 per pupil and a reduction of ten students. At this point, however, there is no way to know if these are reasonable predictions. The budget includes \$75,000 in Federal Timber Sale Funds and do not include any changes to categorical funding. We will receive \$168,055 from funds that were part of the CARES act. COOR ISD will continue to partially reimburse for six paraprofessionals who work one-on-one with high needs students. Mr. Ciske stated that the budget includes funding to replace the art teacher. Funding for Title I and Title II has been reduced. The preliminary budget reflects an estimated fund balance of \$232,413 (4.5%). Mr. Ciske stressed that the budget is developed based on the best information available at the time and will be revised as soon as state budgets are passed and more information is known.

School Service Fund - Superintendent Ciske presented and reviewed the School Service Fund revised budget for 2019-2020 and projections for 2020-2021. For 2019-2020, the Food Service budget finished much stronger than originally anticipated due to the meal reimbursements received during the COVID-19 shutdown. However, the Food Service budget will see expenditures in excess of revenue for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. There is currently fund balance to absorb the overage; however, we are looking at ways to bring this fund into balance.

Superintendent Update - Mr. Ciske updated the board regarding the School Wellness Center. There is an affiliation agreement between the district and Thunder Bay. This will require board approval this evening. Construction and renovation will begin soon. Interviews are scheduled for next week for the positions of special education teacher, art teacher and athletic director. Middle school English teacher, Rebecca Blasius has resigned due to her fiancé relocating. Ms. Blasius will be missed. This position has been posted. The Reopening Committee will meet next week. In addition, the governor will be releasing her back-to-school plan. We are hopeful that this will provide some direction over school opening so that we can begin to make plans.

Citizens' Comments – Mr. McFalda invited board members to visit the shop after the meeting and see the trailer that was built for the welder donated by Whaley Steel.

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Holzwarth/Mitchell approval of School Affiliation Agreement with Thunder Bay for the School Wellness Center.

YES: 6
NO: 0
Motion approved.

2019-2020-84

Hunter/Holzwarth to adopt the 2019-2020 final budgets and the 2020-2021 preliminary budgets for the General Fund, School Service Fund and Custodial Accounts Fund. Also, certification of tax rates as described above.

YES: 6
NO: 0
Motion approved.

Board Member Comments – Mrs. Ireland inquired as to graduation plans scheduled for July 17.

Correspondence – None

There was no other business.

2019-2020-85

Mitchell/Holzwarth to adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

YES: 6
NO: 0
Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeannette McVeigh, Recording Secretary

Cheryl La Vigne, Secretary