

MIO AUSABLE SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2019

PRESENT: Holzwarth, Hunter, Irelan, Jackson, LaVigne, Mitchell
ABSENT: Fullerton
ADMINISTRATION: Ciske, Niles
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Niles
RECORDING SECRETARY: McVeigh

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

2019-2020-5

Holzwarth/Mitchell to approve consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 8, 2019
- b) Monthly finance

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Athletic Director's Report – Mr. Niles provided an update on athletic events. The Coaches Handbook is continuing to be reviewed and updated. Currently working on team schedules for junior varsity football, as well as finalizing all other schedules. Sports picture day will be on August 27. Mr. Niles reported that he has completed the Athletic Director Recertification, as well as the MHSAA CAP training. Coaches are currently completing their mandatory MHSAA Rules Meetings and CPR certification, prior to the start of their seasons. Mr. Niles also reported that the district will be utilizing Arbiter, which is the sports software for scheduling and paying officials. Football numbers look to be good. Volleyball is on par with last year. At this time it is expected that there will only be one middle school girls' basketball team this year, composed of primarily 8th grade athletes.

Elementary Principals' Report – Mr. Ciske reviewed elementary information. Many teachers have been in working on their classrooms. Mike Banyas resigned from his third grade teaching position. The acceptance of his resignation will be an action item. Interviews were held for the third grade position, with two strong candidates being considered. Looking at ways to reduce chronic student absenteeism. Kindergarten orientation will be held tomorrow, which includes a bus ride around Mio, ending with a tour of the school. Discussion regarding the Elementary Handbook, which requires approval tonight.

Buildings and Grounds Report – Mr. Niles reported that all summer cleaning was done quickly and efficiently this year. The football press box needs repairs to the east stairway. The annual AHERA and IPM announcements have been sent out and posted. New safety lighting will be installed in the parking lot the week of August 19. Electrical and post installation for the new scoreboard will be done on August 14, with the installation completed on August 21. Mr. Niles also reported that new bulletin boards have been installed at the front entrance, field marking has been completed on the practice areas and will begin soon on the playing field. Continued research on main emergency panel. Equipment is being serviced and prepped for fall/winter use. Ice melt has been ordered which allowed for lower pre-season pricing.

Middle School / High School Principals' Report – Mr. Niles reported that students in grades 9-12 will complete their scheduling during the week of August 19-22. Middle School orientation will be held on August 22. School Picture Day is September 9.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Ciske informed the board that the district may be removed from the Department of Treasury Fiscal Stress list. This removal is depending on the completed audit. Interviews were held for the third grade position. Mr. Ciske will be conducting reference checks to finalize the hiring. Kathy Yancer has resigned from her position as head cook. This position has been posted internally. We have also posted for an opening created should one of the current food service employees accept the head cook position. There will be an action item to approve the second reading of the NEOLA policy updates Volume 32 #2 and Volume 33 #1. The first reading was held, and approved, at the July board meeting. Two paraprofessional positions have been posted. Rekeying of the building has been completed.

Citizens' Comments – None

2019-2020-6

Hunter/Holzwarth

consider the approval for the second reading, and adoption, of NEOLA policy updates Volume 32 #2 and Volume 33 #1.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2019-2020-7

Mitchell/La Vigne

consider approval of the revised Elementary Handbook.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2019-2020-8

Holzwarth/Mitchell

consider acceptance of the resignation of Michael Banyas from his position of elementary teacher.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2019-2020-9

Hunter/Holzwarth

consider acceptance of the resignation of Kathy Yancer from her position of Head Cook.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Board Members' Comments – Mr. Jackson requested that the board go into closed session for personnel matters.

2019-2020-10

Jackson/Mitchell

to go into closed session at 6:50 p.m. for discussion of personnel matters

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2019-2020-11

Mitchell/Holzwarth

to return to open session at 7:08 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Correspondence -

A thank you from Project Connect was read.

There was no other business.

2019-2020-12

La Vigne/Jackson

to adjourn at 7:09 p.m.

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeannette McVeigh, Recording Secretary

Mary Lou Hunter, Vice President