



The Newport Board of Education held a special meeting on December 11, 2019 at 5:45 P.M. The meeting was held in the Board Room located at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport. The purpose of the special meeting was to conduct an expulsion hearing.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Malone called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Dr. Julie Smith-Morrow, Melissa Sheffel, and Theresa Miller.

Also, in attendance: Kelly Middleton, Superintendent and district administrators.

EXPULSION HEARING

Ms. Malone turned the meeting over to Brandon Voelker, Board Attorney, who explained the process of an open hearing versus a closed hearing. The parent chose to have a closed hearing.

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the board went into executive session. KRS 61.810(1)(f)

1033 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the board took the following action on said expulsion hearing:

The board found there were grounds for expulsion and made the finding of expulsion until the end of the school year; however, said expulsion will not be enforced if the following conditions are met by student:

Student will enroll in New Pathways until it is determined he/she can be mainstreamed back to the regular classroom; must meet with the school counselor; must commit no violent acts, engage in disrespectful or disruptive conduct and/or use profanity; student must maintain passing grades. Failure to comply with all conditions will result in the imposition of the expulsion, with services, for the remainder of the school year.

1034 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY MALONE the board returned to open session and announced their decision.

1035 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the hearing adjourned.

1036- - MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Regular Meeting Agenda:

Ms. Malone asked for a roll call. All members were present except Ms. Covington.

PRESENTATIONS

Grady Brown, District Energy Manager, met with the board to provide the board with his annual report. For the 18-19 SY, the district realized a savings of \$199,816 in energy costs. Thanks to upgraded systems and Mr. Brown's diligence of walking thru all the buildings daily, we continue to reap financial benefits. Total savings since Mr. Brown took over this position approx. 9 years ago is \$3,272,708.

Mr. Middleton and the board thanked Mr. Brown for his work.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS, NOVEMBER 20 SPECIAL MEETING AND DECEMBER 4, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the minutes of all meetings were approved as presented.

1037 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

TREASURER'S REPORT

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW, the financial statement was accepted and will be filed for audit.

1038 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Before discussing the bills, Mr. Turner noted several questions were asked and answered satisfactorily regarding certain bills prior to the meeting.

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the bills were approved for payment.

1039 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Mr. Turner's report also covered:

- VISA statement for October 2019

STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Mr. Middleton's update covered:

- Winter drama, The Miracle Worker, was successful;
- Brad Limle – stipend for district videographer work
- KASS Conference – legislative update

Ms. Gilkison provided the board with her monthly report. Areas of focus this month were continued work on the CSIPs and CDIP. The board had no questions about her report.

Mr. Bill Turner presented the student services report in Mike Wills' absence. The board had no questions.

Mr. Grayson presented the facilities, transportation and safe schools report. Tim attended the Northern KY District Safety Coordinators meeting recently. The meeting brought many coordinators in NKY together to share resources to benefit each other and prepare for upcoming site visits.

Ms. Swanson presented the special education report. The focus this month was preparing for the December 1st Child Count report. The board did not have any questions about her written report.

Ms. Rizzo presented the Child Nutrition and Physical Activity Report Card for 2019 for the board's information. The report covered nutrition services, participation, smart snacks, fresh fruit and vegetable program, staff training, community engagement, health and physical education, physical activity and employee wellness. The board thanked Ms. Rizzo for her efforts to offer a variety of good tasting food choices to our students.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel report
2. Set the January organizational meeting date for January 8, 2020, 6:30 PM
3. 2020-21 school calendar options – 1st reading
4. 2020-22 FRYSC Assurance Certification
5. Pay \$1,500 stipend to Brad Limle for videographer work for the district
6. 3-year contract with TorchPrep for \$44,100/year

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW items 1-6 on the consent agenda were approved as presented.

1040 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

BOARD COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on MOTION BY MILLER AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the meeting adjourned. Time: 7:40 PM

1041 - MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Chairman

Secretary