

FINNEYTOWN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting, December 14, 2020

Zoom Remote Meeting

Open Forum 7:00pm

Regular Meeting 7:30pm

The Finneytown Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 14, 2020, via video conference from remote locations, while under the declared COVID-19 pandemic health emergency, as authorized by Ohio House Bill 197. Mr. Gast, Mr. Engleman, Ms. Johnson, Mrs. Rebman and Mrs. Mamphey were present. Administrative staff and members of the viewing public were also present. The President called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

94-20 Mrs. Rebman moved, seconded by Ms. Mamphey, the Board approved the agenda as presented and amended. The President declared the motion passed.

95-20 Ms. Mamphey moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, the Board approved the minutes from the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2020. The President declared the motion passed.

District Update

Mrs. Theresa Noe, Superintendent – discussed the following:

- It has been a very busy month with new elementary building design meetings, equity training and other activities. I participated in a news conference on the new school funding plan. Grading procedures under the virtual instruction model are also being discussed by the staff.
- Building Project – The leadership core team facilities meeting will be tomorrow. Bid documents for the new K-6 Elementary building construction are set to go out soon.
- Winter break is just around the corner. The forecast includes snow for Wednesday. We need to pick a date for our Organizational Meeting and Budget Hearing.
- Instructional Update – Teachers have the option of teaching from our buildings or from home. Teachers are trying to assess learning in a remote, virtual environment. The math adoption is going very well. Teacher collaboration has improved horizontally and vertically with the Wednesday arrangement. Student Zoom fatigue is starting to show.

Public Address

None

Board Coordination Matters

Ms. Johnson, discussed the following items:

- Safety Committee – I will be attending a Safety Committee meeting via Zoom on Wednesday.

Mr. Gast, discussed the following items:

- Elementary PTA - I attended this meeting. Newly installed President, Jamie Rea, ran the meeting.
- Secondary PTA – Had a meeting, but I wasn't able to attend.

Ms. Mamphey, discussed the following items:

- Finneytown Athletic Boosters – Meetings have been postponed until district returns to in-person instruction and school sports resume.
- Finance Committee - Met last week to review the district's five year forecast. The forecast looks healthy in terms of revenues and expenditures. Line items continue to be monitored for COVID-related impacts. Projected enrollment is projected steady for the next five years.

Mrs. Rebman, discussed the following items:

- Finance Committee – Met to review the Five Year Forecast. The administration continues to make adjustments necessary to ensure the district is operating within its means. The district is in good financial position for the next five years.
- Finneytown Music Parents Association (FMPA) – I attended the meeting.
 - Light Up Finneytown is scheduled for Sunday, December 20 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Fundraising luminary kits are on sale through Wednesday. They can be ordered online at www.Finneytownfmpa.org. Kits of 12 bags, sand and candles cost \$10, or get 3 kits for \$25.
 - Cookie Dough fundraiser – I haven't heard the financial results.
 - FMPA's next meeting is tonight.
- Finneytown Schools Educational Foundation –
 - Next meeting is on Wednesday.
 - At last meeting, indicated that officers will be nominated and voted upon at the January meeting.
 - Always looking for new members.
- Facilities – Many new elementary design team meetings are taking place. Early site work is occurring at the Brent site. Some fences have been taken down and heavy equipment moved in.

Mr. Engleman, discussed the following items:

- Springfield Township – Attended the December 8th Springfield Township Board of Trustees meeting. Trustees voted to approve the SRO agreement with Finneytown Local Schools.
- Facilities committee – Numerous meetings have taken place this month between the design team and the various subgroups of end users, who have been extremely involved in the interior design of their spaces. The Core Design Team meets tomorrow and we expect to learn the date our bid package will “hit the street.” Early site work has begun. An open community meeting was held early this month to present the exterior design of our new elementary building.

Organizational Meeting and Budget Hearing Meeting

The 2021 Organizational and Budget Hearing meetings were scheduled for Friday, January 8, 2021 at 4:00p.m. This meeting will be conducted via Zoom.

96-20 Mr. Engleman moved, seconded by Ms. Johnson, that the Board adopt the “Consent Calendar” as follows:

Action by the Board of Education in adoption of the “Consent Calendar” at this point of the agenda means that all items appearing with an asterisk (*) after the title constitute the “Consent Calendar” and are adopted by one single motion, unless a member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent requests that any such item be removed from the “Consent Calendar” and voted upon separately.

a) Monthly Financial Report*

b) Depository and Investment Balances as of November 30, 2020*

U.S. Bank	0.0100%	\$ 976,343.18
STAR Ohio	0.1400%	\$ 14,345,394.72
STAR Plus	0.1700%	\$ 2,452,883.71
U.S. Bank (construction fund)	1.3300%	\$ 24,460,738.56
STAR Ohio (construction fund)	0.1400%	\$ 1,874,539.10

c) Interest Earned on Depository and Investment Accounts as of November 30, 2020*

General Fund	\$ 2,010.69
Construction Fund	\$42,242.42

d) Monthly Bond Project Spending and Commitment Report*

[See Attachment]

e) Approval of the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources*

The Board approved the Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources.

[See Attachment]

f) Approval of Permanent Appropriation Adjustments for the 2020-21 School Year*

The Board approve the following Permanent Appropriations resolution for the 2020-21 School Year:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Finneytown Local School District, Hamilton County, Ohio, that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of said Board of Education, during the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2021, the following sums be and the same are hereby set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made and during said fiscal year, as follows, viz:

	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
001 General Fund	80,000
Total General Fund	<u>80,000</u>
<u>SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</u>	
467 Student Wellness & Success	-464
510 CARES Act CRF	76,100
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>75,636</u>
<u>DEBT SERVICE FUNDS</u>	
002 Bond Retirement	200,200
Total Debt Service Funds	<u>200,200</u>
<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS</u>	
004 Construction Fund	17,250,000
Total Capital Projects Funds	<u>17,250,000</u>
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	<u>17,605,836</u>

g) Approval of Five Year Forecast*

The Board approve the Five Year Forecast.

RC: Ms. Johnson, yes; Mrs. Rebman, yes; Ms. Mamphey, yes; Mr. Engleman, yes; Mr. Gast, yes. The president declared the motion passed.

Discussion

Plans to begin a student enrollment working committee prior to next school year were discussed. The focus will be to develop strategies for expanding student enrollment and friendly collection of exit interview information data when students withdraw.

97-20 Ms. Mamphey moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, that the Board adopt the “Consent Calendar” as follows:

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a) Rescind Supplemental Contract – 2020-2021

The Board rescinded the following supplemental contract, which was originally approved on November 16, 2020 (see Item b):

Anna Hafner Head Coach, Varsity Cheerleading \$886.00

b) Approval of Contract – Supplemental 2020-2021*

The Board approved the following supplemental contract, effective August 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021:

Anna Hafner Head Coach, Varsity Cheerleading (Football) \$1,347.00

c) Approval of Family and Medical Leave*

The Board approved the following Family Medical Leave:

Susan Grady, Teacher, beginning November 2, 2020, and continuing on an intermittent basis for a maximum period of twelve weeks (at full time) or twenty-four weeks (at half time).

d) Approval of Substitute Teachers Provided by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions*

The Board approved the following substitute teachers who are employed by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions and may be assigned to fill absences for the Finneytown Local School District, effective December 10, 2020:

Albright, Jordan	Holcomb, Emily
Bailey, Lorraine	Howard, Latrice
Barnes, Roosevelt	Hughes Jr., George
Barnes, Sarah	Jenkins, Shannon
Bell, Danny	Jones, Darrell
Bharucha, Armaity	Kerdolff, Barbara
Binford, Cornelia	Lozier, Lyndsey
Blanks, Earl	Manning, Julia
Bouldin, Carrie	Martin, Artis
Bradley, Victoria	Meltebrink, Allison
Bright, Allyson	Miller, Ryan
Brinkman, Rosa	Monich, Donald
Brotherton, Jean	Oliver, Verneda
Brown, Indra	Phipps, Marilyn
Byrd, Angela	Pollington, Connie
Byrd, Loretta	Pride, Allison
Caiarelli, Madison	Reeb, Jr., James Edward
Calhoun, Brenda	Rhodes, Samantha
Cargile, Joyce	Rhodes Brown, Judith
Chaney-Smith, Lois	Richardson, Lucille
Chisholm, Kayla	Richey, Sheila
Coleman, Cynthia	Robinson, Marilyn
Colvin, Gayle	Ruffner, Sara
Copeland, David	Shaw, Phyllis
Davis, Gordon	Sithe, Adam
Davis-January, Marie	Skidmore, Carson
Dechering, Monica	St.Hilaire, Melissa
Dietz, John	Story Raymond
Evans, Deboragh	Straughn, Emily
Evans, James	Sullivan, Clyde
Evans, Patricia	Surratt, Andra
Geers, William	Tirschek, Katelin
Glenn, Joseph	Trabert-Salt, Rebecca
Graham, Sandra	Troxell, Lauren
Harris, Susan	Utrecht, Kimberly
Hayes, Erin	VonderHaar, Susan
Hemmerly, Judah	Walton, Ronald
Hill, Gloria	Welt, Ryan

Williams, Carla
Wise, Donnise
Xu, Wenjin

Yancey, Aaron
Zestermann, Cara
Zimmermann, Jim

e) Approval of Long-Term Substitute Teacher Provided by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions*

The Board approved the following long-term substitute teacher who is employed by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions and assigned to fill an extended absence for the Finneytown Local School District during the 2nd semester:

Carrie Bouldin

f) Approval of Agreement - Springfield Township*

The Board approved the following agreement:

Springfield Township with Finneytown Local School District to assign a law enforcement officer (“Resource Officer”) to the District between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, for 120 days during the 2020-2021 school year. In the event that school is conducted virtually, the Resource Officer will not be physically present at the School District, but will remain available to the Board during the hours stated to perform duties authorized in advance by the Springfield Township Chief of Police. The Board shall pay to the township the sum of \$27,612.0, to be paid in two equal installments on March 1 and June 1, 2021.

g) Adoption of Resolution – Declaring Urgent Necessity and Waiving Competitive Bidding for Broadband Equipment Purchase*

The Board adopted the following resolution declaring urgent necessity and waiving competitive bidding for the purchase of broad band equipment:

WHEREAS, the District was awarded a Broadband Ohio grant from the State of Ohio in the amount of \$60,586.47; and

WHEREAS, the deadline to expend these funds is December 31, 2020. All equipment and work must be completed prior to issuing funds; and

WHEREAS, the company and work chosen has been delayed due to employees out ill with COVID-19 so another company must be utilized to allow the District to meet deadlines as mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Administrative Services recommends that the equipment and installation be supplied by a different vendor; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Education believes that an urgent necessity exists with respect to the purchase of this equipment or the funds must be returned to the state; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that for the health, safety and good of the school community, there is not sufficient time to advertise and solicit bids in compliance with R.C. 3313.46, and it is in the best interest of the Board and the District to waive competitive bidding for the purchase of the Broadband equipment and installation to occur before the December 31, 2020 deadline;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Finneytown Local School District Board of Education that:

1. Pursuant to the authority given to the Board in Ohio Revised Code Sec. 3313.46, the Board declares an urgent necessity for the purchase of Broadband equipment plus installation and waives competitive bidding for the purchase of the Broadband equipment and installation, which would allow the District to utilize the funds awarded for this purpose.
2. The Board authorizes its designated agents and representatives, including but not limited to the Superintendent of Schools, Treasurer of Schools, and Director of Administrative Services to negotiate and execute a contract or contracts and appropriate documentation and payments, at their discretion and judgement up to \$60,586.47, the amount awarded for this expenditure.

h) Approval of Contractor Services Agreement – Community Liaison*

The Board approved a Contractor Services Agreement with Pramika Moktan to provide language translation services, communication support and parent engagement planning/implementation, effective October 4, 2020 through June 4, 2021. Services will be compensated at \$15.00 per hour, not to exceed 15 hours per week

i) Approval of Contractor Services Agreement – Community Liaison*

The Board approved a Contractor Services Agreement with Nima Tamang to provide language translation services, communication support and parent engagement planning/implementation, effective October 4, 2020 through June 4, 2021. Services will be compensated at \$15.00 per hour, not to exceed 15 hours per week.

j) Consideration of School Year 2021-2022 Calendar*

The Board considered the following calendar for the 2021-2022 school year, which will be presented for final approval at the next regular meeting of the Board:

August 16, Monday	Staff In-Service
August 17, Tuesday	Staff In-Service
August 18, Wednesday	Staff In-Service
August 19, Thursday	First Day for Students
September 6, Monday	Labor Day - No School
October 11, Monday	Staff In-Service - No School
October 15, Friday	1st Quarter Ends (41 days)
November 22 & 23, Monday & Tuesday	Staff In-Service - No School
November 24, Wednesday	Conference Release Day-No School
November 25 & 26, Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving Break - No School
December 17, Friday	2nd Quarter Ends (40 days)
December 20, Mon. - December 31, Fri.	Winter Break - No School
January 3, Monday	School Resumes
January 14, Friday	Staff In-Service - No School
January 17, Monday	MLK, Jr. Day - No School
February 18, Friday	Conference Release Day-No School
February 21, Monday	Presidents Day - No School
March 11, Friday	3rd Quarter Ends (46 days)
March 14, Monday – March 18, Friday	Spring Break - No School
March 21, Monday	School Resumes
April 15, Friday	Staff In-Service - No School
April 18, Monday	Staff In-Service - No School
May 27, Friday	Last Day for Students
	4th Quarter Ends (48 days)
May 30, Monday	Memorial Day
May 31, Tuesday	Staff In-Service; Last Day for Staff

k) Acceptance of Donations*

The Board accepted the following donations:

A \$1,375 cash donation for the high school athletic program from Kevin & Jane Irwin, Union, KY on November 4, 2020.

A \$250,000 cash donation to the Finneytown Local School District from Jeffrey & Andrea Immelt, Johns Island, SC on November 30, 2020.


A \$30 cash donation for Finneytown Schools social work fund from Mary & Roberta Hochmuth, Cincinnati, OH, on December 3, 2020.

A \$1,225 cash donation for the Finneytown Schools social work fund from Kevin & Jane Irwin, Union, KY on December 3, 2020.

RC: Mrs. Rebman, yes; Ms. Mamphey, yes; Mr. Engleman, yes; Mr. Gast, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes. The president declared the motion passed.


The next regular meeting of the Finneytown Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 7:30pm in the Media Center of the Finneytown Secondary Campus, 8916 Fontainebleau Terrace, Cincinnati, OH 45231. Open forum will begin at 7:00pm.

98-21 There being no further business, Ms. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, that the meeting be adjourned. The president declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42pm.



Tony Gast, President

ATTEST:



David Oliverio, Treasurer