Watersmeet Township School District

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
December 17, 2020
6:30pm

President P. Peterson Jr. called the online meeting to order at 6:30pm and began with the pledge.

Present: P. Peterson Jr., T. Pallin, T. Holland, J. Chiochios, G. Zelinski, Superintendent Peterson by Roll call.

Absent: K. Wiegand, T. Williams, N. Christ

Motion made by T. Holland to add item G. Nimrod Store to the agenda, second by T. Pallin. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Visitors: Katie Lester, Angela Schrader
             Both visitors expressed their concern regarding on-line learning.

LVD Rep.:   None

56 food bags for families were delivered by the Tribe and Police.

MASB- Board of Education workshop on January 7, 2021.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to approve the minutes from December 3, 2020. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Accounts Payable – None at this time

Financial Report – None at this time

Business Office Restructuring: GOISD approved at their board meeting December 16, 2020. Need to sign contract. (2 year calendar).

Motion by T. Holland to go into executive session at 6:52pm, second by G. Zelinski. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by G. Zelinski, second by T. Holland to go back to regular session at 7:07pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Letter from Brad (the lawyer) regarding business office restructuring.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to go forth with the restructuring of the business office and lay off the District Clerk as of December 21, 2020. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Technology update: On hold until we have access on grant from tribal and credit card. Dr. Pease no longer has one- Mr. Peterson will be getting one in his name as the Superintendent. Mr. Peterson has been in contact with LVD on technology updates.

Motion by T. Holland, second by G. Zelinski to hire Mary Brayak as a consultant to the Superintendent on a 6-month contract/2 days a week until June 30, 2021. Salary - $21,000.00 (this would include $82.50 per day for mileage) no benefits. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by G. Zelinski to get a committee together to work with Superintendent and Administrative Assistant regarding their contracts. The committee will consist of T. Holland, T. Williams, and P. Peterson. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by G. Zelinski, second by T. Pallin to table the NEOLA updates until next month. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Mr. Peterson wrote a letter to all Seniors.

Motion by G. Zelinski, second by T. Holland to return to being a School of Choice. Next window for SOC is from January 11-January 22, 2021. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to cancel the December 21, 2020 Board meeting. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

Nimrod Store: Closed at this time. Information at January meeting.

Superintendent Report read.

Get tutors to help children – look into LVD (3).

Motion by T. Pallin, second by T. Holland to adjourn at 7:49pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, G. Zelinski-Aye, T. Holland- Aye, All ayes-Motion carried.

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President, P. Peterson Jr.   Secretary, T. Pallin