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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Climax-Shelly ISD #592 - Climax, MN 56523

The Board of Education of Independent School District #592, Climax, Minnesota held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm via a Google Meet virtual meeting.

Board Chair Brad Erickson called the meeting to order. The following was read at the beginning of the meeting.

Due to the current federal and state emergency declarations, the Minnesota directive to residents to stay at home, and guidance about limiting person-to-person contact due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic, this meeting of the Climax-Shelly School Board is being conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 13D.021— Meetings by Telephone or Other Electronic Means.

Due to the health pandemic, the school board has determined that it is not feasible for at least one board member, the superintendent, or the school district's legal counsel to be physically present at the regular meeting location and that it is not feasible for the public to attend this meeting at the regular meeting location due to the health pandemic.

Persons may monitor this meeting from a remote location by accessing the Climax-Shelly YouTube channel.

School board members are reminded to mute their microphone or phone when they are not speaking.

School board members wishing to speak should use the chat feature via the Google Meet platform, then wait to be recognized by the Chair.

The chair will determine the order in which board members wishing to speak will be recognized. When recognized, the board member should unmute the microphone or phone, speak, and then mute their device.

All votes will be conducted by roll call. Each school board member should wait until their name is called before voting.

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Persons monitoring this meeting from a remote location may submit a comment by sending the question via email to: schoolboardquestions@isd592.org

This meeting is being recorded. Access to the recording will be made available on the district's website (www.isd592.org) as soon as is reasonably possible.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Brad Erickson, Toscha Larson, Vance Thoreson, Jayne Nesvig, Beth Rarick, Molly Paulsrud, and Kylee Chandler were present. Superintendent Michael Underwood and Principal Dave Rufsvold were present. Teachers Mason Grimes, Brendon Mitzel, and Shana Williams were present. Business Office Manager Karen Johnson was present.

Molly moved, Beth seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be approved as presented. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Beth moved, Vance seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the regular monthly board meeting on October 21, 2020 were approved as presented. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

CANVASSING ELECTION RESULTS

There was discussion on the open seat school board position. Superintendent Underwood will reach out to the persons with the most votes, Kyle Swenson and then Scott Swanson, to determine if they meet the requirements and desire to fill the position.

Vance moved, seconded by Jayne the following resolution:

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL ELECTION

A. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the general election of the voters of the district held on November 3, 2020, was in all aspects legally held.

B. As specified in the Return of Votes Cast, voters of the district voted at said election on the election of three school board members with one open seat for four year term vacancies on the board caused by expiration of

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term on the first Monday in January next following the general election as follows: Molly Paulsrud: 290 Brad Erickson: 266 Beth Rarick 273 Write-in: 23

C. Candidate Paulsrud, Candidate Erickson and Candidate Rarick, received the highest number of votes, are elected to four year terms beginning the first Monday in January, 2021.

D. The school district clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

A roll call vote was taken and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Vance Thoreson, Molly Paulsrud, Toscha Larson, Beth Rarick, Jayne Nesvig, Kylee Chandler, Brad Erickson.

and the following voted against the same: None.

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS - Resignation letter from Ryan Sondrol was read by Clerk Toscha and thanked for his time and contributions to the school.

DISCUSSION ITEMS - Superintendent Underwood brought up the following for discussion.

- Return to face-to-face meetings - meetings will remain virtual at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Covid update - Toscha asked if teachers would be allowed to work from home and Mr. Underwood indicated that they would be accommodated by request. Molly asked if we had been checking in with families as to how they were doing. Mr. Underwood indicated that we were not making calls to families like we did last spring. Questions were asked related to whether teachers, specifically elementary, were given adequate time for prep and one-on-one teaching time with students in the challenging distance teaching model.
- Executive Order 20-94 and 20-95 (amended)

K-12 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Mr. Rufsvold reported that 4 students were attending in person PreK.

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- Parent/Teacher conferences were held virtually or over the phone and didn't have as good of a turn out as typical in-person conferences.
- Mr. Rufsvold indicated that the distance learning model seemed to be going better for teachers than it did last spring.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT - Mr. Underwood shared a report from Kelsey Wagner.

Molly moved, Vance seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that a payment totaling \$9,791.33 for the following checks #40469 to #40476 for end of month bills and #40477 to #40508 totaling \$50,770.77 for monthly board bills and monthly Student Activity bills for checks #2270 to #2271 totaling \$1783.00 be approved as presented. Wire payments totaled \$85,902.37 for the month. There were 2 voided checks, #40451 for \$129.00 and #40482 for \$838.10. The board report is for checks listed for Fund 1 (General Fund), Fund 2 (Hot Lunch) and Fund 21 (Student Activity). A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Vance moved, Jayne seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Information	October 2019	October 2020
MN Liquid Asset Fund	\$3,230,919.83	\$2,937,086.76
Checkbook Balance	\$21,425.78	\$73,791.33
Subtotal	\$3,252,345.61	\$3,010,878.09
Construction	\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,252,345.61	\$3,010,878.09

OLD BUSINESS

- Building & Grounds Committee update - roof proposal

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Toscha moved, seconded by Vance the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the roof repair proposal, Option 2 as previously presented, with an estimated cost of \$270,000. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Transportation Committee update - vehicle purchase - an additional vehicle will not be purchased at this time.
- Consideration of compensation increase - activity bus drivers

Jayne moved, seconded by Kylee the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve compensation of activity bus drivers that are not coaches to \$20.00/hour for licensed CDL drivers and \$15.00/hour for regular licensed drivers. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Beth moved, seconded by Vance the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board accepts the resignation of Ryan Sondrol as a Paraprofessional effective October 30, 2020. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Beth moved, seconded by Vance the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 1238.02, Sub. 6 provides: "The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education."; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 465.03 provides: "Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full."; and

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WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of ClimaxShelly, ISD #592, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor: Climax Community Club

Item: \$10,000

Designated Purpose: No specific purpose designated

A roll call vote was taken and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Vance Thoreson, Molly Paulsrud, Toscha Larson, Beth Rarick, Jayne Nesvig, Kylee Chandler, Brad Erickson.

and the following voted against the same: None.

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Molly moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is scheduled for December 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Toscha Larson, Clerk