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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 a special meeting on Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 6:45 am with some participants attending via a Google Meet virtual meeting and some attending in person at the Climax-Shelly School.

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, Beth Rarick, Molly Paulsrud, Vance Thoreson, and Kylee Chandler were present. Jayne Nesvig was absent. Superintendent Michael Underwood and K-12 Principal Dave Rufsvold were present. Teachers Karen Thoreson and Michelle Karst were present. Athletic Director Kelsey Wagner was present.

Beth moved, Molly seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be approved as presented. Toscha suggested changing the order of the agenda to accommodate those that may have to leave the meeting early so that key items could be voted on by all board members. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATIONS - A letter from the CEA was read that was emailed to Clerk, Toscha Larson. The letter identified some concerns shared at a meeting of the CEA held on September 2, 2020 at 9:00 pm. Concerns were regarding communication between administration and staff and insecurities of the preparedness to safely reopen the school on September 8, 2020. Teacher Michelle Karst discussed the letter and answered questions related to it. Chairman Erickson asked the administration to review the list of items and meet with staff to discuss and determine follow-up and whether the school would open as expected.

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

- Safe Learning Plan update
 - 32 K-12 students are currently enrolled for full-time distance learning
 - there was discussion about air quality that will require further information before any changes are made to the HVAC system
- Cap on enrollment for 2020-2021 school year in grades PreK and 6
 - PreK will be limited to 8 students
 - 6th grade will be limited to the currently enrolled 21 students

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- Assignment of Covid Program Coordinator
- Proposal of adding .5 FTE PE teacher
- Compensation increase for bus drivers
- Follow-up to previous conversation regarding advisor/coaches compensation for partial completion of duties for 2020-2021 school year

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT - AD Wagner shared the practice schedules for high school football and volleyball were on the school website. These sports are allowed to practice for 3 weeks and 12 practices starting September 14, 2020. Sports fees will not be due until seasons officially start. Waivers will likely need to be signed by parents and students for transportation to and from practice as busing will not likely be provided.

Toscha moved, seconded by Vance the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve to allow Karen Thoreson to teach remotely as Secondary Science Teacher at the Climax-Shelly School for the 2020-2021 school year. The board requests a memorandum of understanding to be submitted from the CEA detailing this agreement. 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 motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve to increase the compensation for Climax-Shelly School bus drivers to \$50.00 per route, effective September 8, 2020. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Vance moved, seconded by Molly the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Ethan Proznik as 0.5 FTE teacher contingent on license approval. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Toscha moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to provide former Principal Arthur Meyer further compensation for regular salary and sick and personal leave as indicated in his contract through the final date of his employment of August 14, 2020. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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Beth moved, seconded by Kylee the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Monica Hanlan as paraprofessional at Climax-Shelly School. A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Toscha moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to set the budget and review as an agenda item as part of the regular monthly Board meeting of December 21, 2020 at 6:00pm where the public is invited to attend and the Board will accept input and comments regarding the budget and levy certification for the 2020-2021 year. Also, to set the Payable 2021 Certified Levy at the "maximum". A roll call vote was taken and all board members were in favor. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Molly moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 am. 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 Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Toscha Larson, Clerk