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Kathy Main, President
Jay Orth, Clerk
Elizabeth Thompson
Jonathan Merriam
Cassandra Shepherd

ADMINISTRATION:

Paul Gardner, Superintendent
Cathy Thomasson, Business
Official



Hickman Community Charter District Meeting of the Board of Trustees

MINUTES

September 14, 2020

Meeting Begins with a Closed Session at 4:30 PM

Regular Session resumes at 5:30PM

PUBLIC MEETING

*Due to social distancing requirements, our public meeting will be held online until further notice.
Regular Session starts at 5:30PM and can be accessed by using the following link:*

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72469836295?pwd=ZGcvNU9GaStBQ2dlcTlPUGNkbDA2UT09>

Meeting ID: 724 6983 6295

Passcode: 180tK2

1. Call to Order at: 4:37 p.m.

Members Present:

Kathy Main- Pres
Jay Orth - Clerk
Cassandra Shepherd
Elizabeth Thompson
Jonathan Merriam

Members Absent: None

Late Arrivals: None

Others Present: No Guests - 26 virtual participants

Motion by: Jay Orth

Seconded by: Cassandra Shepherd

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by: Jonathan Merriam

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

3. Closed Session -

Called to Order at: 4:38 p.m.

Motion by: Jonathan Merriam

Seconded by: Jay Orth

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

3.1 Public employment pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5

Exited Closed Session at: 5:25 p.m.

Motion by: Cassandra Shepherd

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Report of Closed Session Actions - None

Action related to Closed Session Item - None

Action:

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

4. Welcome

4.1 Pledge of Allegiance

4.2 Welcome

5. Public Comment Krista Hudson, president of the Hickman Association of Teachers, read their letter to the board stating why they would like to wait and open no earlier than the start of the second trimester.

Before adjourning, Mr Gardner answered one last question from the chat box-

The waiver will be sent to Public Health and County for review. Our waiver was modeled after Oakdale's waiver, which was submitted and is being reviewed by Stanislaus County Public Health. Mr. Gardner believes all documents will be approved by 9/28/2020.

6. Consent Items

6.1 [Approve Minutes of August 10 2020, Board Meeting](#)

6.2 [Approve Minutes of September 9, 2020, Special Board Meeting](#)

6.3 Warrants

Date	Amount
August 7, 2020	87,857.14
August 14, 2020	45,918.45
August 21, 2020	14,530.76
August 28, 2020	59,009.28
September 4, 2020	78,785.26
Total	\$286,100.89

Motion by: Jay Orth

Seconded by: Jonathan Merriam

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

7. Information/Discussion Items

7.1 [Submission of a Waiver Application for Reopening of Hickman Elementary](#) -

Mr. Gardner- shared that about 75% of our parents, when surveyed, said they would send their students back to school when it opened.

Each board member shared their stand on submitting the waiver:

Kathy Main: The waiver gives the district options and flexibility, does not obligate us to open.

Cassandra Shepherd: She supports the waiver because it is important that all kids be in school. She would like to see the school open October 1, rather than the October 12, waiver date.

Jay Orth: The waiver gives the district options to choose the date that works best for the district. Starting with the younger students is a good plan. Mr. Orth is good with any date chosen for opening.

Jonathan Merriam: There is no solution to this situation that will make everyone happy. The district will focus on getting the students back into school and make those students who are struggling and showing signs of falling further behind, because of not signing into the distance learning programs, a priority.

Elizabeth Thompson: Likes the fact that the waiver gives the flexibility in opening to the district.

8. Public Hearings

Open Public Hearing at: 5:56 p.m.
Motion by: Cassandra Shepherd
Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

8.1 [Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan](#)

Public Comments: none

8.2 Hickman Community Charter District Sufficiency of Textbooks for 2020-21 School Year

[Proposed Resolution #2021- 05 Hickman Community Charter District Sufficiency of Textbooks for 2020-21 School Year](#)

Public Comments: none

Exit Public Hearing at: 6:02 p.m.
Motion by: Elizabeth Thompson
Seconded by: Jay Orth
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9. Administrative Items (Information or Action)

9.1 [Approve Submission of the Waiver Application for Reopening of Hickman Elementary](#) (Roll call vote)

Kathy Main - Aye	Jay Orth - Aye	Elizabeth Thompson - Aye
Jonathan Merriam - Aye	Cassandra Shepherd - Nay	
Ayes: 4	Nays: 1	Abstain: 0

9.2 [Approve Resolution #2021-05 Hickman Community Charter District Sufficiency of Textbooks for 2020-21 School year](#)

Motion by: Cassandra Shepherd
Seconded by: Jay Orth
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.3 [Approve Resolution #2021-06 Adopting the Gann Limits Gann Limit Report](#)

Motion by: Jay Orth
Seconded by: Jonathan Merriam
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.4 Approve adding the nurse to the Certificated Salary Schedule at a 40% FTE

Motion by: Elizabeth Thompson
Seconded by: Cassandra Shepherd
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.5 [Approve resignation letter of the HES health clerk](#)

Motion by: Jonathan Merriam
Seconded by: Jay Orth
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.6 Approve Request and Agreement for Interdistrict Attendance for a 1st grade student to attend Roberts Ferry School District

Motion by: Cassandra Shepherd
Seconded by: Jay Orth
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.7 Approve 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals Presentation

Motion by: Elizabeth Thompson
Seconded by: Cassandra Shepherd
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

9.8 Approve Monthly Budget Report

Motion by: Jonathan Merriam
Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

10. Reports

10.1 Business Manager Report

10.2 School Reports

10.2.1 [HES/HMS Report](#)-C. Barnett

- See attached report

10.2.2 [HCS Report](#) - E. Hansen

- See attached report

10.3 Facilities Report- George Walls- Audio issues, will give at next meeting

10.4 Superintendent Report-Paul Gardner- Hickman has received a notice that we are one of, if not all the schools in California, then most, that have been named in a class action suit for not providing Special Ed services during the COVID 19 stay at home order. All staff, certificated, and classified which include the nutrition staff, custodial, technology and every single employee of this district has done an excellent job. Mr. Gardner is proud and grateful for the commitment that the staff has made to the Hickman Community Charter District students.

The Board president thanked Mr. Gardner for all the time, work and research he has completed in order to make the best decisions for our district.

11. Additional Closed Session (if needed) -None

Called to Order at:

Motion by:
Seconded by:
Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

Exited Closed Session at:

Motion by:
Seconded by:
Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

12. Report of Closed Session Actions - None

Action:
Motion by:
Seconded by:
Ayes: Nays: Abstain:

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at: 6:43p.m.

Motion by: Jay Orth

Seconded by: Elizabeth Thompson

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

September 14, 2020, Minutes Approved September 28, 2020

Kathy Main- Board President

Jay Orth- Board Clerk

Cassandra Shepherd-Board Member

Elizabeth Thompson-Board Member

Jonathan Merriam-Board Member