

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7
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BOARD OF EDUCATION MOTIONS
MAY 12, 2021 – 6 p.m.

MOTION by Mr. Gauthier, seconded by Ms. Bell, to **AMEND AGENDA** to include Correspondence Letter of Retirement received from Dave Houldcroft. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Crone, to **APPROVE** Budget Hearing and Board of Education Minutes of April 19, 2021, as presented. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Fragale, to **APPROVE** Annual District Budget Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2021, as presented. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Ms. Kenneson. **MOTION PASSED.**

Authorization to make End-Of-Year Adjustments within the 2020-2021 Budget Limits.

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Gauthier, to **AUTHORIZE** Dr. Palmer and Director Gaskins to make end-of-year adjustments as necessary within the 2020-2021 budget limits. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Authorization to borrow \$500,000 in anticipation of receipts.

MOTION by Ms. Crone, seconded by Ms. Fragale, to **AUTHORIZE** Director Gaskins to borrow \$500,000 in anticipation of receipts. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Authorization for Superintendent to fill vacancies already approved by the Board of Education, and to hire grant funded positions for special purposes for the 2021-2022 school year.

MOTION by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to **AUTHORIZE** Dr. Palmer to fill vacancies already approved by the Board of Education and to hire grant funded positions for special purposes. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Approval of Educational Specifications for VO-AG Bus Grant.

Question and brief discussion pertaining to handicapped capability of VO-AG bus.

MOTION by Ms. Bell, seconded by Ms. Crone, to **APPROVE** the Educational Specifications for VO-AG Bus Grant. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Authorization to Establish a Building Committee for the Project (recommended VO-AG Consulting Committee).

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Bell, to **AUTHORIZE** the Establishment of a Building Committee for the Project. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Authorization of at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications for the proposed Project including the professional cost estimates.

MOTION by Ms. Crone, seconded by Mr. Gauthier, to **AUTHORIZE** at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specification including professional cost estimates. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Authorization to file the Grant Application.

MOTION by Ms. Bell, seconded by Mr. Jerram, to **AUTHORIZE** the filing of the Grant Application. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Ms. Bell, seconded by Ms. Crone, to **CANCEL** the June 9, 2021, regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting in order for Board of Education members to attend Class of 2021 Graduation ceremony scheduled on that date. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Gauthier, to **CANCEL** the second regularly scheduled May Board of Education meeting on May 26, 2021. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Ms. Crone, to **ACCEPT** Rachel Vincent's Letter of Retirement with gratitude and best wishes. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Gauthier, to **ACCEPT** David Houldcroft's Letter of Retirement with gratitude and best wishes. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION by Mr. Jerram, seconded by Mr. Gauthier, to **ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION** for the purpose of discussion and possible action on employment contract for Director of Finance and Operations, Mr. James Gaskins. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The following entered into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 7:34 p.m.: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone.

MOTION by Mr. Gauthier, seconded by Ms. Crone, to **ADJOURN** at 7:40 p.m. AYE: Ms. Sexton Read, Mr. Jerram, Mr. Gauthier, Ms. Fragale, Ms. Bell, Ms. Crone. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: None. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**