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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AHS Auditorium**

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(Due to construction in City Council Chambers, the meeting was held in the AHS Auditorium)
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DATE: TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021 7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Irvine, Baker-Herring, Wilson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Estheimer read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2021/22-10 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Craig, the board approve the August 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

ADMINISTRATION

SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON IRVINE

BUSINESS AND FINANCE
DIRECTOR

BARBARA WILSON, CFO

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL
PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

DR. MICHELLE BAKER-
HERRING

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Robert Pawlowski: Addressed the board regarding vaping and illegal activity in the Gerisch parking lot. He stated more funding is needed to upgrade the camera system at that building.

Andrew Maul: Expressed his support of a universal mask requirement for in-person learning.

PRESENTATIONS

AHS Branding-Representatives from TMP Architecture gave the board a presentation detailing the signage bid packages for AHS. Directional signage, athletic entrance signage and banners for fencing and light posts were reviewed. There will be Press Box signage, an athletic gateway, Southgate Anderson High School monument sign as well as lighted building signage. Discussion took place about the removal of the marquee, exterior nighttime lighting, the type of lettering and the life expectancy of the vinyl banners.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Ms. Irvine reminded parents that at the first home football game Friday night there will be back packs handed out to students. The Band has been working hard at Band Camp and everyone is excited to see the half time show. She also reminded parents to fill out their choice for mode of instruction by August 27.

FINANCE UPDATE

No report

CONSENT

2021/22-11 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Green, the board approve the August 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and the HR Update.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

ACTION

1. Approval of the Anderson Bid Package 1-Directional Signage Award Recommendation: The District has engaged Plante Moran CRESA in the procurement of Branding and Signage Services. Mr. Kakoczki explained the bid process to the board. The project has been divided into several packages for RFP purposes. The first package involves directional signage for the Anderson campus in accordance with the plan documents. The Project Team recommends Volk Corporation for this work. Discussion: placement of signs, warranty, weathering, installation timeline and materials used.

2021-22-12 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Sage, the board approve the recommendation of the award of Anderson Bid Package 1, Directional Signage, to VOLK Corporation in the amount of \$8,510.00 from the 2020 Bond Fund.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

2. Approval of the Anderson Bid Package 2-Athletic Entrance Signage Award Recommendation: Mr. Kakoczki explained the bid process and the recommendation of Lavanway Signs to do this work at AHS's athletic entrance.

Discussion: using the same company for all signage, experience that PMC has had with the companies and whether or not the colors will match if we use separate companies.

2021/22-13 It was moved by Mr. Green supported by Mr. Craig, the board approve the recommendation of the award of Anderson Bid Package 2, Athletic Entrance Signage, to Lavanway Signs in the amount of \$8,798.00 from the 2020 Bond Fund.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

3. Approval of the Anderson Bid Package 3-Light Pole, Fencing, and Softball Banners Award Recommendation: Mr. Kakoczki shared the information on the procurement of branding services for the light pole signage, fencing and softball banners. The Project Team recommends Image 360 for this work.

Discussion: how will the images be chosen for the banners, how often banners will be changed, can we change them out, and how will new banners be budgeted for.

2021/22-14 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Green, the board approve the recommendation of the award of Anderson Bid Package 3, Light Pole, Fencing, and Softball Banners, to Image 360, in the amount of \$13,112.14 from the 2020 bond Fund.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

4. Approval of the Purchase of Two Food Vending Machines for the Food Service Department:

Ms. Irvine presented this action item for Food Service Director, Mark Rodriguez, who was unable to attend. The intention of the new food vending machines is to dispense student reimbursable meals. Students will also be able to purchase food products with funds from their lunch account. Our food service point of sale system and the vending machines will be able to communicate with each other. The machines will also have a credit card reader for customers to use.

The total purchase price for both machines is \$26,709.00. We used Wayne RESA's Purchasing CoPro Plus to satisfy the bid process. Vendtek Wholesale Equipment was awarded the bid. Funds will come from Food Service

We had vending machines in DMS and AHS but the supplier was not being compliant.

Discussion: issues with supply and compliance from the previous vender, machine repair and who the new company is, that will be supplying these machines.

2021/22-15 It was moved by Mr. Lamos supported by Mr. Craig, the board approve the purchase of two food vending machines for the food service department from Vendtek Wholesale Equipment in the amount of \$26,709.00.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

5. Approval of the Purchase of Two Zero Turn Mowers: Ms. Irvine presented this action item with Jacob Galarza-Jimenez, Maintenance Director. Currently, we have 5 zero-turn mowers. In 2018-2019, a new one was purchased for \$8,799.00. In 2019-2020, a second new one was purchased for \$8,799.00.

Of our three remaining mowers, two are over 10 years old and are currently unusable. One has logged 11,000 hours and will cost a minimum of \$3,124.00 to repair. The other is in the shop waiting to be repaired at a cost of \$776.00. Three quotes were received for new machines; Kerr's Equipment \$6249.14, Sell's Equipment \$9,299.00 and Weingartz \$10,299.00.

Based on these quotes and the acreage of lawn that needs to be maintained by SCSD, it is recommended to purchase two zero-turn mowers from Kerr's Equipment.

Discussion: schedule of replacing mowers-staggering the purchases, reviewing and maintaining our equipment.

2021/22-16 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Sage, the board approve the purchase of two Hustler FasTrak SDX 60 mowers Kerr's Equipment at a cost of \$6,249.14 apiece.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Green welcomed students back. Hoped for a great fall sports season. Band Camp sounded good when he drove by. If anyone wants to support students with autism by purchasing a T-shirt from the Southgate Fire Department; proceeds will go toward the training of our first responders who deal with autistic individuals.

Dr. Pomponio commented on how proud she is of our phenomenal band program as she watches them practice and perform. They are very dedicated, hard workers practicing long hours in hot weather. They were recently asked to perform at a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Downriver Community Federal Credit Union. They were given a check for \$1000.00. She wished the students and staff great luck as we start another school year. Her daughter is a senior this year and she wished her and all the seniors good luck.

Mr. Estheimer announced an event-Family Fun Day- on Sunday, September 26, 2021 at Market Center Park. This is sponsored by City Councilman Phil Rausch and all benefits and proceeds will go to the Southgate Education Foundation.

CLOSED SESSION

2021/22-17 It was moved by Mr. Craig supported by Mr. Lamos, the board enter into Closed Session at 8:02 p.m. for the purpose of Collective Bargaining.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

The Board discussed collective bargaining in the closed session.

2021/22-18 It was moved by Mr. Green supported by Dr. Pomponio, the board leave Closed Session at 8:30 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

ADJOURNMENT

2021/22- 19 It was moved by Mr. Sage supported by Mr. Green, the board adjourn the regular meeting at 8:30 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

Respectfully submitted by: Theresa Grzechowski

Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary
Board of Education

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