

December 8, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 6:00 P.M. on December 8, 2021, in the High School Board Room. Members present: Directors McLaughlin, Nyberg, Martin, Polcher, Egan and Chair Berklich.  
Members Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve the agenda with an addendum to add under Administrative Business, item K, Superintendent Contract. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin and approved unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda for the Month of November, 2021 which consists of the Minutes from the November 17, 2021 Regular Meeting. Postings or transfers in the Non-Certified Bargaining Unit for the month of November – None.

**Public Comment:**

Matt Holmes addressed the school board on bathroom, hall passes and transgender issues.

Sarah Gabardi addressed the school board on trust and transparency.

PRESENTATION OF TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

Mr. Alex Kaczor presented the Truth in Taxation hearing with the proposed property tax levy for the taxes payable in year 2022 and the proposed budget for the taxes payable in year 2022. The opportunity for the public input was given.

**Personnel:**

APPROVE THE COACHES AND ADVISORS FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR AS PRESENTED

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to approve the coaches and advisors for the 2021-22 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE LOGAN LUSTILA

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve the hiring of Logan Lustila as assistant varsity wrestling coach, effective November 15, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE TODD PERALA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan to approve the hiring of Todd Perala as the JV girls' basketball coach, effective November 15, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE EMILY ZIECH

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the hiring of Emily Ziech as winter assistant cheerleading advisor, effective November 15, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE ADAM BARRETT

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the hiring of Adam Barrett to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, Washington Elementary, effective December 9, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE SARA PAOLO

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin, to approve the hiring of Sara Paolo to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, Washington Elementary, effective December 9, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Reports:**

**Directors / Student Director:**

Director Martin discussed the public summation of the Superintendent's evaluation will be read at the January 5, 2022 meeting.

**Principals / Assistant Principals:**

Mr. Michael Finco, HS Principal and Mrs. Carrie McDonald, Greenhaven Principal reported on a variety of activities and teacher innovations to enhance student academic, social, and emotional learning that ranged from LEGO robotics competition, Youth in Action decorating at the Lincoln, Makerspace challenges, Reach and forensics class activities, band and choir concerts to caring, sharing, and helping others, being kind, and smiling for extra cheer.

**Committee Report:**

**COVID-19 Update:**

Superintendent Aldrich gave an update on the district's COVID-19 stats. At this moment, the numbers remain high and are trending down.

**Administrative Business:**

ADOPT AND CERTIFY THE FINAL 2021 PAYABLE 2022 LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,335,627.50

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan to adopt and certify the final 2021 payable 2022 levy in the amount of \$3,335,627.50. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PAYMENT #4 TO NELSON ROOFING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,846.40 FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY ROOFING PROJECT

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director Martin to approve payment #4 to Nelson Roofing in the amount of \$27,846.40 for work completed on the Washington Elementary roofing project. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PAYMENT #5 TO MAX GRAY CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,247.04 FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE 1991 ADDITION RENOVATION PROJECT

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to approve payment #5 to Max Gray Construction in the amount of \$51,247.04 for work completed on the 1991 addition renovation project. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE PAYMENT #6 TO MAX GRAY CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,989.20 FOR WORK COMPLETED ON THE 1991 ADDITION RENOVATION PROJECT

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve Payment #6 to Max Gray Construction in the amount of \$18,989.20 for work completed on the 1991 addition renovation project. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE WORLD'S BEST WORKFORCE REPORT

Moved by Director McLaughlin supported by Director Polcher to approve the World's Best Workforce Report. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICY #520 HAZING PROHIBITION

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director Martin to approve Policy #520 Hazing Prohibition. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICY #522 USE OF POLICE, CRISIS TEAMS TO REMOVE STUDENTS WITH IEP

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin to approve Policy #522 Use of Police, Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEP. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICY #523 NOTIFICATION OF VIOLENT BEHAVIOR BY STUDENTS

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin to approve Policy #523 Notification of Violent Behavior by Students. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICY #524 WELLNESS

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher to approve Policy #524 Wellness. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE POLICY #525 POLICIES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Polcher to approve Policy #525 Policies Incorporated by Reference. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the Superintendent's Contract Agreement between I.S.D. No. 701 and Mr. Richard Aldrich for the period July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion Items:**

Director Egan addressed some of the public comments and perceptions.

ADJOURN

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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JOHN BERKLICH, Chair

ATTEST:

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MARJORIE MARTIN, CLERK