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**HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 20, 2023, MEDIA CENTER
MINUTES**

6:00 REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Roll Call – President Gary Tompkins called to order the regular meeting of the Homer Community School District Board of Education on February 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Members Present: President Gary Tompkins, Secretary Isabell Nazar, Trustee Chad Rocco, Trustee Josh McCullough and Trustee Tamara Winchell.

Members Absent: Vice-President Kimberly Willis, and Treasurer Catherine Yates.

Others Present: Superintendent Mike Leskovich, Administrative Assistant Tammy Tackett, Business Manager Amanda Croad, Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson, High School Principal Cohen Sangster, Maintenance Nate Huff, FFA & Agri Science Teacher Holly Holton, and FFA student Cody Day.

Request to Approve Agenda: Chad Rocco moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to approve the Agenda an addition to the Consent Agenda, the hire of Dawn Masternak as a Middle School Special Education Teacher. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0. 2 absent.

Student Recognition: High School Principal Cohen Sangster and Middle School Principal recognized the January and February Students of the Month. FFA student Cody Day presented the FFA Creed to the board members.

Public Voice: None.

Administrative Reports: Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson spoke about the Middle School Ski Trip. High School Principal Cohen Sangster announced the Top 10 Students for the 2022-23 school year and Curtis Patrick received the Big 8 All-Academic Team.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Mike Leskovich spoke about the successful PBIS Professional Development Day. He also announced that the new electric busses are expected to be delivered at the beginning of August and new playground equipment will be arriving late April of 2023.

Board Communications: Mike Leskovich announced the EDU Staff Hire of Brock Winchell as the JV Baseball Coach.

Committee Report: Superintendent Leskowich stated that the Financial Committee met on February 14th to review academic mapping provided by grant funding. They reviewed the E-Rate cost to the district of \$27,145.65 and \$62,836.72 will be covered by E-Rate. The Finance Committee also discussed the funds for the new playground equipment. The next Finance Committee will be held on March 14th at 7:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Conference Room.

Consent Agenda:

- Approval of minutes and corrections for the January 16, 2023 regular meeting.
- Acceptance of financial reports, committee reports and committee minutes
- Approval of total district payments for January 2023 in the amount of \$1,264,918.15
- Employment
 - Hire- Nic Cass, Varsity Head Football Coach, High School PE/Health Teacher
 - Hire – Dawn Masternak, Middle School Special Education Teacher

Josh McCullough moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0, 2 absent.

Discussion Items:

- Superintendent Leskowich presented the 98b Goal Progress Report.
- Mike Leskowich also reported that the district has applied for the 97d grant that will map out our district to help guide us in safety emergencies.
- Superintendent Leskowich announced that the 2023-24 District Calendar has been created with the approved 182 days as discussed during negotiations.
- Mr. Leskowich recommended the approval of the E-Rate district cost of \$27,145.65 and \$62,836.72 will be covered through E-Rate.
- FFA Teacher Holly Holton presented information regarding the FFA State Convention and FFA Region I Officer Camp.

Action Items:

22/23 - #20 2023/24 District Calendar – Isabell Nazar moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to approve the 2023-24 District Calendar. The motion passed unanimously. 5-0, 2 absent.

22/23- #21 E Rate – Josh McCullough moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to approve the district expense of \$27,145.65 for updated firewall protection, and maintenance fees. The motion passed unanimously. 5-0, 2 absent.

22/23 - #22 Field Trip Request – FFA State Convention – Tamara Winchell moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to approve the FFA State Convention Field Trip Request. The motion passed unanimously. 5-0, 2 absent.

22/23 - #23 Filed Trip Request – FFA Region I Officer Camp – Josh McCullough moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to approve the FFA Region I Officer Camp Field Trip Request. The motion passed unanimously. 5-0, 2 absent.

Upcoming Events:

- A. Parent-Teacher Conferences - Feb. 28th & March 2nd 3:00-7:00 p.m.
- B. March 3rd - ½ Day, 11:00 Dismissal
- C. End of 3rd Nine Weeks - March 10th
- D. Mother/Son Night - March 18th 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Closed Meeting

Tamara Winchell moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to go into closed session at 6:41 p.m.

The Homer Community School Board of Education met in closed session per parents request due to student discipline.

Members Present: Superintendent Mike Leskovich, President Gary Tompkins, Secretary Isabell Nazar, Trustee Chad Rocco, Trustee Josh McCullough, Trustee Tamara Winchell and parents of student #20505099.

Members Absent: Vice-President Kim Willis and Treasurer Catherine Yates.

There being no further business the regular meeting reconvened at 7:24 p.m.

Tamara Winchell moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion of the suspension of Student # 20505099 for 59 days with the return date of May 1, 2023. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0, 2 absent.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Isabell Nazar, Secretary



Tammy Tackett, Recording Secretary