

**HOLDEN R-III
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
August 21st, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

- Tax Rate Hearing:** Dr. Hough conducted the tax rate hearing at 6:55 p.m. He reported the projected tax rate would remain unchanged from the previous year at a total rate of \$4.59. He stated the county assessed valuation was showing a projected increase of approximately \$6,279,444 which would generate \$326,232 in additional operating funds for the District. No concerns or questions were voiced.
- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Tonyea Inglis at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School library.
- Roll Call:** All seven members were present.
- Board Norms:** The Board reviewed their norms.
- Agenda:** A motion by Georgia Jarman, second by Alex Haun to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.
- Consent Agenda:** A motion by Gerilynn Hoover, second by Alex Haun to approve the consent agenda which included: 1) Minutes from the June 28th meeting; 2) Payment of Bills and Financial Statement. Motion carried 7-0.
- For 3) Sub List Changes. Sub list included Ann Miller, Patty Raker, Becky McRoy, Tara McDaniel, Tiffany Sullivan and Halee Foster except for Sarah Battles. A motion by Alex Haun, second by Nathan Haun to accept the sub changes. Motion carried 7-0. A motion by Georgia Jarman, second by Alex Haun to accept Sarah Battles as a sub. Motion approved 6-0-1 with Gerilynn Hoover abstaining due to relationship.
- Communications:** None.
- Reports:**
1. **Early Childhood Programs Report** — Sarah Burks, Elementary School Principal, reported on the P.A.T., Eagle’s Nest, Early Childhood Special Education and Head Start programs. Mrs. Burks shared that P.A.T. has 1 full time staff teacher. This program serves families with prenatal to age 5. Currently there are 13 families being served. Eagle’s Nest has 29 students enrolled currently. Curriculum used promotes students for Kindergarten readiness. Early Childhood Special Education, through a screening process, serves students that qualify. Head start ended the year with 7 students. (Report attached to minutes.)
 2. **Curriculum Report** – Dr. Hough provided a 5-year plan and what steps the District will take each year. He also shared a list of terms that explain the process in detail. (Report attached to minutes.)
 3. **Superintendent’s Report**—Dr. Hough shared the following items in his report:
 - a) **MSBA Board Report Video:** The video highlighted the importance of communicating strengths and success stories. It featured Georgis Jarman, Board Vice President, sharing her “why” regarding public schools.
 - b) **Holden Foundation Update:** Gerilynn Hoover reported that the Holden Foundation have had several fundraisers and been able to recently present (8) \$1000.00 scholarships as well as honoring Teacher Impact Grants. The Foundation is currently taking applications for Teacher Impact Grants. Due date is September 22, 2023.
 - c) **MSBA Update** – Georgia Jarman spoke about the Center for Education Safety and the training opportunities that are available or school districts.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. **Strong Start, Safe Return to In Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan – A motion by Georgia Jarman, second Matt Ferguson to approve the plan as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**
2. **Set Tax Rate. A motion by Tonyea Inglis, second by Georgia Jarman to set the tax rates for 2023-24 at \$3.3296 operating fund, \$1.06404 debt service fund and \$0.20 capital projects fund for a total as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**
3. **IDEA Compliance – A motion by Gerilynn Hoover, second Alex Haun to approve the IDEA Compliance Assurance statement as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**
4. **Board Resolution – A motion by Tonyea Inglis, second by Nathan Haun to accept the Success-Ready Students Network: System Design Zone Cohort 2 as presented. Motion carried 7-0**

Policy Review:

1. **MSBA Board Policy Review – Section A – No action taken.**
2. **MSBA Board Policy BBFA – A motion by Alex Haun, second Matt Ferguson to readopt the Board Policy BBFA with no changes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.**

Miscellaneous:

1. **Board President Updates— Board President Tonyea Inglis updated the Board on the September 11th, 2023 meeting which included:**

Facilities Tour – September 11th at 5:30 p.m. at the Elementary School.
Reports – Annual Food Services, Annual Transportation and Superintendent’s Updates
New Business – PD Plan, District Sponsored Group Lists Approval, Transportation Route Approval and Update Board Perpetual Calendar.
2. **Annual MSBA Conference will be held in Kansas City, November 2-4. Those wishing to attend should let Tracy know.**

Executive Session: A motion by Georgia Jarman, second by Gerilynn Hoover to hold an executive session as per section 610.022 following the September 11th meeting. After roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

A motion by Alex Haun, second by Matt Ferguson to hold an executive session as per section 610.021 following tonight’s meeting regarding (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting particular employees. After roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment: A motion by Alex Haun, second by Bobby Zimmer to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.