

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jay Hatfield
Shannon Levey
Ed Strumello

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Susan Compton, Superintendent of Schools
Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk
Cathy Federowicz
David Willadsen

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Compton called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5:02 p.m.

II. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Dr. Compton asked for nominations for chairperson of the Athletic Committee. Mr. Hatfield nominated Mr. Strumello. Hearing no further nominations, Dr. Compton called for a vote.

By a vote of 3 to Mr. Strumello was elected chairperson (Affirmative: Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey, Mr. Strumello)
Mr. Strumello took over the meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment provides the opportunity for the public to make a comment. It is not a dialogue between the Board and the public. Based upon what is heard during Public Comment, the Board may choose to add a topic to the agenda. If questions are posed that the Chairman is able to answer, those questions may be addressed under the Chairman's Comments portion of the agenda. The Board will not discuss personnel matters. Comments should be respectful and no longer than 3 minutes in length so that all who wish to comment may have the opportunity to do so. All public wanting to comment will need to state their name and address for the record prior to addressing the Board.

None

IV. DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Contractual Issues

a. Middle School Stipend

Ms. Federowicz talked about the middle school sports stipend and how she feels it should be eliminated since most of the work is done by Mr. Willadsen and herself. The work that is currently being done at the middle school level can easily be absorbed by the high school athletic director and her assistant. She feels the amount of the stipend is too high for the amount of work that is being done. There was a discussion about site directors. She also talked about wanting to expand the programs at the middle school level.

b. Custodial Responsibilities

Ms. Federowicz asked the Board to look into the contractual issue of having custodians come in to cover practices. Because of this, Sunday practices have been eliminated. Students who are bused to sporting events have to bring all of their belongings with them on the bus because custodians leave and there is no access to the school. It was decided more research needed to be done regarding having a custodian in the building during practices.

c. Athletic Trainer – next school year

Ms. Federowicz talked about the Griffin trainer stepping in last year and what their schedule is. Mr. Strumello reminded them that we went out to bid last year and did not get any responses. Ms. Federowicz said the solution is to have a trainer on staff. Dr. Compton said in an ideal world having a trainer on staff would be great but reminded everyone of the extreme budget situation we are in.

d. Appendix D – Assistant Coach - Golf and Tennis

Ms. Federowicz said she would like to add an assistant tennis coach and possibly use the appendix D position of assistant golf to fund it. The assistant golf coach has been vacant for a long time.

B. Financial Concerns

a. Uniform Allowance

Ms. Federowicz said they have tried to be resourceful with uniforms, they have tried to buy less if possible. It has been a struggle, and they would like the amount to be bumped up. A discussion regarding the budget crisis and if there are alternative ways to fund uniforms took place.

b. WIFI Need

Verizon removed their equipment from the field house and will not be replacing it. In order to have Wi-Fi access on the field, we will need to purchase it. Dr. Compton said we will need to consult with Mr. Dyer regarding what we will need to purchase. This is yet another unexpected expense.

c. Department Credit Card

Ms. Federowicz talked about the current way of making purchases by someone using their personal credit card and then being reimbursed. They want to use Amazon because it is cheaper. She suggested a checking account and a debit card could solve the problem. She also said they would like to be able to have patrons pay with Venmo. Dr. Compton asked them to check with other districts to see how they handle it. Mr. Bucci joined the meeting and understood the problem and would like to help solve the problem.

C. Volunteer Coaches

Ms. Federowicz asked that the line in the athletic handbook that says volunteer coaches cannot be left alone with students be removed. She pointed out that volunteer coaches are vetted just like every other coach. It was agreed further research should be done.

D. Weightlifting Mats Status

There was a discussion about weightlifting mats and what to do with them. They are stored in the fieldhouse and are taking up too much room.

There was a brief discussion about teams participating in out of state competitions.

V. REPORTS

A. Chairman's Report

None

B. Superintendent's Report

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Mr. Hatfield/sec., Ms. Levey) to adjourn

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Hatfield, Ms. Levey, Mr. Strumello

MOTION PASSES: 3-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk