Okemos Board of Education
Okemos, Michigan 48864
SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 2, 2021

The special meeting of the Okemos Board of Education was called to order by President Bolton at 5:39 p.m. — Call To Order

Members Present: Dean Bolton, Katie Cavanaugh, Mary Gebara, Melanie Lynn, Vincent Lyon-Callo, Andrew Phelps and Jayme Taylor

Administrators: Superintendent John Hood; Assistant Superintendent Stacy Bailey; and Finance Director Elizabeth Lentz

Citizens Address Agenda & Non-Agenda Items

No one addressed the board.

Work Session

The board entered into a work session for the purpose of discussing its priorities as they pertain to the 2021-2022 budget. The Board, Superintendent and Executive Director of Finance discussed initial 21-22 budget priorities, focusing mainly on non-structural adds to meet identified district needs through use of some of the district's fund balance which had approximately 2.1 million dollars added over the last year. In addition, potential structural adds were discussed that would be of consideration for a budget revision of in COVID funding, if applicable. The Board was given homework to individually prioritize non-structural spending for the initial budget adoption on June 24th. Items will be reviewed to gain consensus at the June 14th Board meeting.

Other Matters

Board members discussed the equity policy review, requesting training to build their capacity to perform this successfully and rethinking the process to include members of the DEIAC that may have a deeper and more meaningful lens. The Board policy subcommittee will meet to revise the approach.

Adjourn

President Bolton adjourned the special meeting at 8:13 p.m.

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Katie Cavanaugh, Secretary