

CLIMAX-SCOTTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Date: June 21, 2021
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Board Room/ZOOM Virtual Meeting

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Board President, Sue Reichert, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Members Present

Ms. Jackle Longman
Mrs. Lori Bagwell (Virtual)
Mr. Trent Piper
Mrs. Susan Reichert
Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen
Mrs. Heather Wechsler
Mr. Steve Wurtzel

Member's Absent

Other School Personnel Present

Mr. Doug Newington, Superintendent
Mr. Brent Cole, Jr./Sr. High School Principal
Mrs. Darcy Soule, Board Recording Secretary
Mr. Kevin Langs, Athletic Director/Dean of Students

3. Public Forum (Reconfirmation Input)

None

4. Agenda Modifications

None

5. Consent Calendar Items

- a. May 17, 2021 Regular & Organizational Meeting Minutes
- b. General Fund & Construction Check Registers

Mr. Trent Piper moved, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that the Board approve the Consent Calendar items as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

6. Items for Action or Discussion

a. Social Studies Curriculum

- i. It has been many years since we have purchased new social studies textbooks and resources. We not only needed updated resources that align with the state standards but also offers access to different learning styles. Please review the attached information from the social studies department.
- ii. Quotes received from Schools PLP and TCI
 - 1) Schools PLP - \$264,000.00 Total cost or a 6-year contract, Includes 275 enrolled users (digital only), Includes virtual staff PD (\$600), Includes core content grades K-12, Workbooks are available for additional costs, Does not have text books available, Aligned with Common Core or National Standards, \$159.64/student/year
 - 2) TCI - \$31,672.80 (\$1,251.80 for shipping) total cost for 6-year contract, Includes 1 Middle School and 1 High School Teacher's license, Includes 272 Student licenses,

Has a 1 to 1 ratio of student textbooks (totaling 317 books in 6 Social Studies courses for grades 6-12; 7th grade does not offer text books), Aligned with Michigan 2019 Social Studies Curriculum, \$19.40/student/year (including shipping costs)

- iii. The Social Studies Department recommends adopting the TCI program for a 6-year commitment due to the efficiency of the cost, the availability of textbooks to accommodate our students' different learning styles, and the availability of a hybrid style of instruction.

Ms. Jackie Longman moved, supported by Mr. Trent Piper, that we approve the purchase of the social studies curriculum and resources as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

b. 2020-2021 Final Budgets

- i. General Fund Final Budget has Revenues of \$7,024,682 over Expenditures of \$6,985,585, leaving a fund balance of \$998,430 (14.29%)
- ii. Lunch Fund Proposed Budget has Revenues of \$318,943 over Expenditures of \$272,393, leaving an estimated fund balance of \$116,879.
- iii. No action required for the end of the year fund 29; we do not need to amend the original budget.

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen moved, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that we approve the final 2020-2021 General Fund Budget as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Mr. Trent Piper moved, supported by Ms. Jackie Longman, that we approve the proposed 2020-2021 Lunch Fund Budget as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

c. 2021-2022 Projected Budgets

- i. General Fund Projected Budget for the 2021-2022 school year has Revenues of \$6,654,074 over Expenditures of \$6,870,579, leaving an estimated fund balance of \$781,925 (11.38%).
- ii. Activity Fund (Fund 29) Projected Budget for the 2021-2022 school year has Revenues of \$70,000 over Expenditures of \$70,000, leaving an estimated beginning balance of \$83,640.
- iii. Lunch Fund Projected Budget for the 2021-2022 school year has Revenues of \$318,943 over Expenditures of \$280,303, leaving an estimated fund balance of \$155,519.

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen moved, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that we approve the projected General Fund Budget as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sue Reichert: Yes; Trent Piper: Yes; Heather Wechsler: Yes; Terri VandeGiessen: Yes; Jackie Longman: Yes; Steve Wurtzel Yes. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen moved, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that we approve the projected Activity Fund Budget as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sue Reichert: Yes; Trent Piper: Yes; Heather Wechsler: Yes; Terri VandeGiessen: Yes; Jackie Longman: Yes; Steve Wurtzel Yes. **Motion carried 6-0.**

Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen moved, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that we approve the projected Lunch Fund Budget as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

d. 2021-2022 Operating and Debt Fund Resolution

- i. This resolution authorizes the District to levy 17.5864 mills for general fund operations and 7.3 (same as last year) mills for the 2018 debt fund. This resolution must be passed prior to approving the L-4029, which will be at the August board meeting.

Mrs. Jackie Longman moved, supported by Mr. Trent Piper, that we approve the 2021 Operating and Debt Fund Millage Resolution authorizing the District to levy 17.5864 mills for general operating purposes and 73 mills for the 2018 Debt Fund.

Roll Call Vote: Sue Reichert: **Yes**; Trent Piper: **Yes**; Heather Wechsler: **Yes**; Terri VandeGiessen: **Yes**; Jackie Longman: **Yes**; Steve Wurtzel **Yes**. Motion carried 6-0.

e. State Aid Loan Resolution

- i. The District receives funding from the State at different levels and different times throughout the year, such as property taxes in February and the last two months of state aid payments for the current school year in the following year, the District has a need to borrow money annually for cash flow purposes. The borrowing and final repayment of the prior year occurs every year on August 20. For this year, the district will need to borrow \$650,000. At this point in time, we do not know when the ESSER funds will be released to the district, or what restrictions they may have. The interest rate is very low, so we are recommending we still move ahead with our normal borrowing process.

Mr. Trent Piper **moved**, supported by Mrs. Jackie Longman, that we approve the State Aide Loan as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sue Reichert: **Yes**; Trent Piper: **Yes**; Heather Wechsler: **Yes**; Terri VandeGiessen: **Yes**; Jackie Longman: **Yes**; Steve Wurtzel **Yes**. Motion carried 6-0.

f. Kalamazoo County Health Department Data

- i. <https://www.kalcounty.com/hcs/datahub/covid19.php>
- ii. Mr. Newington reviewed the Kalamazoo County Health Department data as presented on their website. Currently the state of Michigan is on a several week decline for positive paces.
 - 1) State – 180.1 daily/million with 19 deaths, downward trend
 - 2) Region – 23.4 daily/million with 0 deaths, downward trend
 - 3) County – 4.8 daily /million with 0 deaths, downward trend

g. ECOL Reconfirmation Statement

- I. C-S ECOL Plan
- II. Reconfirmation Statement
Mr. Newington reviewed with the board the Climax-Scotts Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Reconfirmation meeting for 5/12/2021-6/11/2021
PreK-12 is face to face with a 100% virtual option.

Mrs. Heather Wechsler **moved**, supported by Mrs. Terri VandeGiessen, that we approve the ECOL Reconfirmation Statement as presented. **Motion carried 6-0.**

h. MHSAA Membership Resolution

- I. The MHSAA requires yearly Board approval to remain an active member of the Michigan High School Athletic Association for both the High School and the Junior High School. Membership is required for all school districts who desire for their High Schools/Junior High Schools to participate in MHSAA post-season tournaments.
- II. For the 2021-2022 School Year, Mr. Kevin Langs, Athletic Director, is recommending only the High School be submitted for membership.

Mr. Steve Wurtzel **moved**, supported by Mrs. Heather Wechsler, that we approve the 2021-2022 MHSAA Membership Resolution for the High School only as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Sue Reichert: **No**; Trent Piper: **No**; Heather Wechsler: **Yes**; Terri VandeGiessen: **Yes**; Jackie Longman: **Yes**; Steve Wurtzel **Yes**. Motion carried 4-2.

Adjournment

At 6:47 p.m., Ms. Jackie Longman **moved**, supported by Mr. Steve Wurtzel, to adjourn the June 21, 2021 Regular meeting of the Climax-Scotts Board of Education. **Motion carried 6-0.**

APPROVED MINUTES


Susan Reichert, C-S Board President


Heather Wechsler, C-S Board Secretary/Treasure