

Minutes of Regular Meeting
July 20, 2020

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The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria on July 20, 2020. Present were Tom Siciliano, Amanda Waesch, Scott Krieger, Steve Vasbinder, and Eric Kline. Also present were Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, and Connie Baldwin, Treasurer, Terri Hrina-Treharn, Tom Weese, Dan Paulus, Al Marzec, and Kim Isaman. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: E. Kline, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, S. Krieger, S. Vasbinder

RESOLUTION 2020-07-115
ADOPT THE AGENDA

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by S. Vasbinder to adopt the agenda.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger, E. Kline

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Positive Changes: A. Waesch suggests the board share positive news both personal and professional. Each board member and superintendent and treasurer shared some good news.

Community Comments:

Dan Paulus 3217 Bent Oak Trail and Tom Weese 5051 Wilkes Rd – both spoke regarding curriculum and administrative oversight. A. Hawkins responded the administration has addressed specific issues and continue to work on the process.

Treasurer's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2020-07-116
APPROVE FINANCIALS

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

June 29, 2020 – Regular Meeting

July 13, 2020 – Special Meeting

Also, approved the monthly financial reports as submitted, with the authorization for the payment of bills and appropriation modifications as necessary.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, S. Krieger, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-118
APPROVE GARDINER

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It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve the renewal of a maintenance agreement with Gardiner for the water treatment program at an annual rate of \$2,320.00 from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, A. Waesch, S. Krieger, S. Vasbinder

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-119
GIFTED SERVICES CONTRACT

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by S. Krieger to approve a contract with ESC of Northeast Ohio to provide gifted services for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$2,520.80.

Yeas: E. Kline, S. Krieger, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-120
SPARCC BASIC SERVICES

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve a contract with SPARCC for basic services (accounting, payroll, emis, student attendance, grade reporting and student scheduling) in the amount of \$40,322.50 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, A. Waesch, S. Vasbinder, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-121
SPARCC INFOHIO SERVICES

It was moved by S. Krieger seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the contract with SPARCC for INFOhio services for library automation, catalog access and instructional development in the amount of \$2,777.15 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Yeas: S. Krieger, T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, E. Kline

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-122
SPARCC PROGRESS BOOK

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the contract with SPARCC for Progress Book hosting and support in the amount of \$3,723.00 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

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Yeas: E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger, A. Waesch, S. Vasbinder

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-123
SPARCC IEP ANYWHERE

It was moved by S. Krieger seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the contract with SPARCC for IEP Anywhere software and support in the amount of \$1,241.00 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Yeas: S. Krieger, T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-124
APPROVE PETTY CASH AND CHANGE

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by T. Siciliano to approve petty cash and change for the 2021 school year:

<u>Petty Cash</u>	
Treasurer's Office	\$100.00
<u>Change</u>	
Cafeteria	\$150.00
Athletic Dept.	\$500.00

Yeas: E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-125
APPROVE BUS BID

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve the following bus bid:

WHEREAS, the Rootstown Board of Education wishes to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of one – 72 passenger conventional school bus.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Rootstown Board of Education wishes to participate and authorize META Solutions (META) to advertise and receive bids on said Boards' behalf as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of one 72 passenger conventional school bus.

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S. Krieger: Asked regarding the purchase of used buses. Al Marzec indicated the oldest bus is 1987.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Krieger, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Superintendent's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2020-07-128
RESIGNATION - GRIFFITHS

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to accept the resignation of Linda Griffiths, Bus Driver, effective August 21, 2020.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-129
RESIGNATION – VOLK

It was moved by S. Krieger seconded by S. Vasbinder to accept the resignation of Erin Volk, Intervention Specialist Teacher, effective August 17, 2020.

Yeas: S. Krieger, S. Vasbinder, E. Kline, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-130
HIRE – REPPHUN

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by S. Vasbinder to accept the resignation of Kelli Repphun, Spanish Teacher, effective August 31, 2020.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, S. Krieger, A. Waesch, E. Kline

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-131
HIRE – KINSLEY

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by S. Vasbinder to hire Briana Kinsley as an Intervention Specialist Teacher, Bachelor's degree, Step 0, effective the 2020-2021 school year.

Yeas: E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

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RESOLUTION 2020-07-132
APPROVE SUBSTITUTES

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve the following transfers:

Rachel Aldrich Substitute Teacher

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Krieger, A. Waesch, S. Vasbinder
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-133
APPROVE HIGH SCHOOL HANDBOOK

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve the High School Student Handbook, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, S. Krieger, A. Waesch
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-134
APPROVE AUDIOLOGY SERVICES

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by E. Kline to approve the contract with Summit County ESC to provide 2 days of audiology services, not to exceed \$1,496.00, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-135
APPROVE KIDSLINK

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by S. Vasbinder to approve the contract with KidsLink to provide educational services for one special needs student at a cost of \$81,000.00, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Yeas: E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger, T. Siciliano
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-136
APPROVE EDUCATIONAL ALTERNATIVES

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It was moved by S. Krieger seconded by E. Kline to approve the agreement between Rootstown Local Schools and Educational Alternatives to educate special needs students for the 2020-2021 school year.

Yeas: S. Krieger, E. T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, S. Vasbinder

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-137
APPROVE CHILDREN'S ADVANTAGE

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by T. Siciliano to approve an agreement with Children's Advantage to provide weekly prevention case management services, for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$24,000.00

Yeas: E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

REPORTS:

A. Hawkins: Spoke about restarting the school year. Goal is back in class but looking at all scenarios. Updated on the roofing and concrete projects.

S. Vasbinder: Asked if a large number of students are not returning to in-class

A. Hawkins: Responded the initial survey indicates about 15%

S. Vasbinder: Are students leaving for online schools

A. Hawkins: No one has indicated

A. Waesch: Would like to serve on the committee for back to school issues.

T. Hrina-Treharn: Thank you to Ben Rantilla for helping with estimating classroom distancing, Parent Survey has included about 450 students.

A. Waesch: Also thanked Ben Rantilla

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

STRATEGIC PLANNING:

S. Vasbinder: Met with architects and Bob Paradise regarding the track and will follow up with meeting. Also thanked Ben for his help.

A. Waesch: District had a good meeting with Rockmill, Sept/Oct will meet again. Facilities committee to meet on track and Student Success committee will also address restart.

C. Baldwin: Spoke regarding a presentation by Forecast5 at Thursday's meeting

A. Waesch: Next meeting July 23 at 5:30 and August 17 at 5 PM for the regular meeting.

RESOLUTION 2020-07-138

APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by S. Krieger to consider the matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes. Invited in: A. Hawkins, C. Baldwin, T. Hrina-Treharn, Scott Peters.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Krieger, E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

The president called the meeting back into regular session at 8:21.

RESOLUTION 2020-07-139
LEVY RESOLUTION

It was moved by E. Kline seconded by S. Vasbinder to approve the following:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF A SUBSTITUTE EMERGENCY TAX LEVY PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.199 OF THE REVISED CODE

WHEREAS, at an election on November 3, 2015, the electors of this School District approved the renewal of all of an existing Emergency tax levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation in order to raise the amount of \$1,045,000 each calendar year for a period of five (5) years for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, pursuant to Sections 5705.194 through 5705.197 of the Revised Code, the last collection of which levy would occur in calendar year 2021 (“the Existing Levy”); and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that additional revenue will be necessary for the proper operation of the schools of the School District and that a levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation in the initial annual amount of \$1,045,000 should be levied for the purpose of providing for the necessary requirements of the School District in substitution for the Existing Emergency Levy, in accordance with Section 5705.199 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with that Section 5705.199 and Division (B) of Section 5705.03 of the Revised Code, when this Board determines that it is necessary to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation in substitution for an existing levy, this Board is required to certify to the County Auditor a resolution requesting the County Auditor to certify to it the total current tax valuation of the School District and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount of revenue; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of a certified copy of such a resolution of this Board requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify to this Board within ten days the total current tax valuation of the District and the number of mills required to generate the specified amount of revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rootstown Local School District, Portage County, Ohio, not less than two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that:

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Section 1. Declaration of Necessity of Substitute Emergency Tax Levy. This Board finds, determines and declares that the revenue that will be raised by all tax levies that the School District is authorized to impose, when combined with State and federal revenues available to the School District, will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the School District, and that it is therefore necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation upon the entire territory of the School District for that purpose (and in substitution for the Existing Levy) as follows: (1) in the initial year it is in effect, the levy shall be in the amount of \$1,045,000, being the aggregate annual dollar amount of proceeds derived from the Existing Levies, and (2) in each subsequent year it is in effect, the levy shall be in a specified amount of money equal to the sum of the following: (a) the dollar amount of the proceeds derived from the levy in the prior year and (b) a dollar amount equal to the product of the total taxable value of all taxable real property in the entire territory of the School District in the then-current year, excluding carryover property as defined in Section 319.301 of the Revised Code, multiplied by the annual levy, expressed in mills for each one dollar of valuation, that was required to produce the annual dollar amount of the levy in the prior year; provided, that in no event shall the amount under this clause (b) be less than zero.

Section 2. Submission of Question to Electors. Pursuant to Section 5705.199 of the Revised Code, there shall be submitted to the electors of the entire territory of the School District (which includes territory only in Portage County), at an election to be held on November 3, 2020, the question of a substitute emergency tax levy in excess of the ten mill limitation on all property in the entire territory of the School District subject to taxation by this Board in order to raise the amount of \$1,045,000 in its initial year and increased amounts in subsequent years only if and as new land or real property improvements not previously taxed by the School District are added to its tax list as set forth in Section 1, at the annual tax rates necessary to produce those annual amounts, for the purpose of providing for the necessary requirements of the School District, for a continuing period of time (commencing with a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the tax year 2020 to be first due in calendar year 2021). In accordance with Section 5705.199(B) of the Revised Code, the Existing Emergency Levy, which is scheduled to expire in 2020, shall not be levied after the year preceding the year in which the substitute levy is first imposed.

Section 3. Certification and Delivery of Resolution to County Auditor. The Treasurer is directed to certify immediately a copy of this Resolution to the Portage County Auditor and the County Auditor is requested to certify to this Board both the School District's total current tax valuation and the County Auditor's calculation of the annual levy, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, that will be required to produce the annual amount of \$1,045,000 in the initial year the levy is in effect, assuming that the amount of the tax list of the School District remains the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year (or, if that amount is not determined, the estimated amount of that tax list submitted by that County Auditor to the County Budget Commission).

Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

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Section 5. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Yeas: E. Kline, S. Vasbinder, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2020-07-140
APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by S. Vasbinder to approve entering into Executive Session to consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statues. Invited in: none

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, E. Kline, S. Krieger, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

The president called the meeting back into regular session at 9:18.

RESOLUTION 2020-07-141
ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by T. Siciliano and seconded by S. Vasbinder to adjourn the meeting at 9:22.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Vasbinder, E. Kline, S. Krieger, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Amanda Waesch, President

Connie Baldwin, Treasurer