

August 17, 2020

Final Budget and Regular Board Meeting

**Call to Order:**

The Final Budget and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Somers School District 29 were called to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Somers Middle School Music/Band Room per Chairperson John Hollensteiner. Those in attendance stood for the pledge to the flag.

**Roll Call:**

Board members present were John Hollensteiner, Meredith Coopman, Mary Obermiller, Scott Simonson, Jesica Swanson, Andy Wendle, and Annie Aiken. Administration present were Superintendent Joe Price and Clerk Diane Fetterhoff. Lakeside Elementary Principal Steffanie Broyles via Zoom Conference.

**Visitors:**

Judy Harris and Breanne Wiest. Coleene Torgerson via Zoom Conference

**Minutes:**

Mary Obermiller moved to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Jesica Swanson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0 Motion carried.

**Final Budget Meeting:**

Chairperson John Hollensteiner announced that Public Participation was allowed by anyone wishing to speak.

Andy Wendle moved to approve the Final General Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$3,931,078.77. Mary Obermiller seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Transportation Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$514,000.00. Mary Obermiller seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Tuition Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$88,576.57. Andy Wendle seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Retirement Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$668,000.00. Jesica Swanson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Technology Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$40,000.00. Annie Aiken seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Flexibility Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$52,000.00. Jessica Swanson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Meredith Coopman moved to approve the Final Debt Service Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$1,171,568.76. Jessica Swanson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Andy Wendle moved to approve the Final Building Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$4,000,000.00. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Andy Wendle moved to approve the Final Building Reserve Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$240,000.00. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the Board with the End of Year Cash Balances for Budgeted Funds for the 2019-2020 school year as follows:

General	\$	00.00
Transportation	\$	00.00
School Food	\$	995.04
Tuition	\$	00.00
Retirement	\$	181,584.94
Compensated Absences	\$	7,768.51
Technology	\$	25,821.71
Flexibility	\$	50,551.78
Building	\$	3,403,137.76
Building Reserve	\$	163,785.72

Apportionment of Ending Cash Balances

	Ending Cash Balance June 30, 2020	Cash Reappropriated	Operating Fund Reserves	Reserves As A Percent Of Budget
General	\$ 236,266.67	\$ -0-	\$ 236,266.67	6.0%
Transportation	\$ 15,347.85	\$ -0-	\$ 15,347.85	3.0%
Retirement	\$ 181,584.94	\$ 47,984.94	\$ 133,600.00	20.0%
Debt Service	\$ -58,093.32-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	NA

Mary Obermiller moved to approve the above year end Financial Statement, Operating Fund Reserves, and Cash Reappropriations for the 2019-2020 School Year. Scott Simonson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

**Public Participation:** Judy Harris presented information from the NRA's National School Shield Program which is available to school officials if wanted.

**Communications:**

- a.) Lakeside Elementary School Part-Time Secretary Letter of Resignation
- b.) Somers Middle School Title I Language Arts Teacher Letter of Resignation
- c.) Somers School District Nurse Letter of Resignation – September 30, 2020
- d.) Out-of-District Attendance Request to Somers School District
- e.) Somers District #29 Safe Return to School Plan
- f.) Declaration of Emergency Resolution
- g.) Offsite Instruction Resolution
- h.) Lakeside Elementary and Somers Middle School Principal Stipends – 5 Additional Days

**Policy Considerations/Changes:**

- a.) Board of Trustees Section 4000 Community Relations Policy Review – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
**4000** – Goals; **4120** – Public Relations; **4310** – Public Complaints and Suggestions; **4313** – Disruption of School Operations; **4316** – Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities; **4321** – Distribution of Fund Drive Literature Through Students; **4330F1** – Waiver and Assumption of Risk; **4330F2** – Waiver and Assumption of Risk; **4331** – Use of School Property for Posting Notices; **4520** – Cooperative Programs With Other Districts and Public Agencies; **4550** – Registered Sex Offenders
- b.) Board of Trustees Section 4000 Community Relations Policy Revisions – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
**4210** – School Support Organizations, Boosters and Fundraising; **4301** – Visitors to Schools; **4315** – Spectator Conduct and Sportsmanship for Athletic and Co-Curricular Events; **4320** – Contact with Students; **4330P** – Public Use of District Facilities; **4332**- Conduct on School Property; **4340** – Public Access to District Records; **4410** – Relations with Law Enforcement and Child Protective Agencies; **4411** – Interrogation and Investigations Conducted by School Officials

- c.) Board of Trustees Section 4000 Community Relations New Policies – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
**4330F** – School Facilities/Grounds Use and Liability Release Agreement; **4350** – Website Accessibility and Nondiscrimination
- d.) Board of Trustees Section 4000 Community Relations Deletion – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
**4600** – Notice to Parents Required by No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)
- e.) Board of Trustees Section 1000 Board of Trustees Policy Revisions – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
**1100** – Organization; **1105** – Membership

**Committee / Reports:**

**Superintendent Report:** Written report was included in board packet.

**Principal Reports:** None

**Staff Reports:** None

*Buildings and Facilities Discussion:* Superintendent Price reported that the new Middle School building will be 100% complete on September 8<sup>th</sup>. The outside will still be in progress.

Somers District #29 Safe Return to School Plan was discussed in detail including student transportation to and from school for following guidelines and support for staff for on-line teaching.

Superintendent Price thanked board members for support with the School Plan.

Breanne Wiest was introduced as the new Deputy Clerk.

*Financial and Federal Programs Committee:* No Report.

*Disciplinary and Public Relations Committee:* No Report.

*Buildings, Facilities and Grounds Committee:* No Report.

*Transportation and School Food Committee:* No Report.

*Curriculum and Extra Curricular Committee:* No Report.

*Policy Committee:* Mary Obermiller reported that the committee met July 20<sup>th</sup> and discussed Section 4000 Community Relations Board Policy. Recommendations for 1<sup>st</sup> Readings are included in board packets

*Negotiations Committee:* No Report.

*Personnel Committee:* No Report

*Schedule Meetings:*

- a.) Regular Meeting - September 14, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. at Lakeside
- b.) Policy Committee Meeting - September 14, 2020 - 5:00 p.m. at Lakeside

**Consent Agenda:**

Meredith Coopman moved to:

- a.) Offer 2020-21 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coaching Contract to Breana McGrath
- b.) Offer 2020-21 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coaching Contract to Mariah Wilcox
- c.) Offer 2020-21 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Contract to John Sullivan
- d.) Offer 2020-21 Athletic Coordinator Contract to Lindsey Lee & Amanda Shaffer
- e.) Acknowledge Lakeside Elementary Part-Time Secretary Resignation
- f.) Acknowledge Somers Middle School Title I Language Arts Teacher Resignation
- g.) Acknowledge Somers School District Nurse Resignation – September 30, 2020
- h.) Offer Lakeside Elementary Sp Ed Position

Andy Wendle seconded the motion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

**Singular Action Items:**

- a.) Jessica Swanson moved to approve Somers District #29 Safe Return to School Plan. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. Andy Wendle asked for clarification for when the face masks get replaced with the shields. Consequences for non-compliance with mask/shield use. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.
- b.) Annie Aiken moved to approve the Declaration of Emergency Resolution. Scott Simonson seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.
- c.) Jessica Swanson moved to approve the Offsite Instruction Resolution. Annie Aiken seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

- d.) Jessica Swanson moved to approve Lakeside Elementary and Somers Middle School Principal Stipends – 5 Additional Days. Andy Wendle seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Andy Wendle moved the expenditures presented for payment be approved. Annie Aiken seconded the motion. Discussion. For 7 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Jesica Swanson moved the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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John Hollensteiner, Chairperson

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Diane J. Fetterhoff, Clerk

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