

# PEOTONE BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2020 - CONNOR SHAW CENTER - CONFERENCE ROOM

#### **ROLL CALL:**

At 4:30 p.m. President Robinson called the special board meeting to order and requested all who are present to please stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was taken and the following members answered aye (6): Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Uthe, Mr. Douglas, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Moe, Mr. Bettenhausen and no nays. Mrs. Thatcher was absent for the February 27, 2020 special board meeting.

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Mr. Steve Stein, Mr. Trevor Moore, Dr. Charles Vitton and Mrs. Cathy Cuculich.

### **VISITOR'S LOG:**

No one signed the Visitor's Log.

#### SPEAKER'S LOG:

No one signed the Speaker's Log.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR VISITORS TO SPEAK:**

No Visitors to Speak.

President Robinson stated that the Board will be voting tonight on a Statement of Intent for Conditional 2020-2021 Registration Fee Amounts. President Robinson introduced Mr. Moore and asked him to say a few words about the report action. Mr. Moore responded that in my memo to the Board, I am recommending that the registration fees be changed conditioned upon the voter approval of the District's limiting rate increase referendum question at the March 17, 2020 election. I also do not recommend making changes to any of the other fees already approved by the Board. Again, all the details are in my memorandum dated February 24<sup>th</sup> to the Board.

President Robinson asked the Board if they had any further questions regarding the Statement of Intent before voting on this action. Mr. Douglas asked if there is some kind of relief for the taxpayers who do not have students in the District. Mr. Moore responded that they cannot reduce registration fees for households who don't have students in school, but they will see relief from the reduction in the district's debt.

Mr. Roger Bettenhausen asked if there would be any reduction in fees if the referendum does not pass on March 17<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the last time they were increased, the registration fees were a little out of line, and he thinks our registration fees should be more in line with the surrounding school districts. Mr. Moore responded that these proposed new registration fees are about five dollars higher than Manteno School District. Mr. Moore stated that the Manteno

School District reviews their registration fees each year and adds minimal increases annually.

**REPORT NO. 58:** 

FOR ACTION: STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR CONDITIONAL 2020-2021 REGISTRATION FEE AMOUNTS.

President Robinson asked for a motion for the approval of the Statement of Intent for Conditional 2020-2021 Registration Fees Amounts. The student registration fees for the 2020-2021 school year will be as follows, \$130.00 for Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, \$155.00 for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and \$175.00 for 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, and the course fees for the District will remain the same. This is conditioned upon voter approval of the District's limiting rate increase referendum question at the March 17, 2020 election. Mr. Uthe made a motion and Mrs. Moe seconded the motion, and a roll call was taken, and the following members answered aye (5): Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Uthe, Mrs. Moe, Mrs. Becker, Mr. Bettenhausen. Board member, Paul Douglas answered nay (1). Mrs. Thatcher was absent for the special board meeting of February 27, 2020.

Mr. Bettenhausen left the special board meeting at 4:40 p.m. and will not be present for the closed executive session.

At 4:40 p.m. Mrs. Robinson reported that the Board will now go into executive session and asked for a motion to enter the closed executive session. Mrs. Moe made a motion and Mr. Uthe seconded the motion, and on a voice call vote, the following members answered aye (5), Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Uthe, Mrs. Becker, Mr. Douglas and Mrs. Moe. Mrs. Thatcher and Mr. Bettenhausen was absent for the closed executive session.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel; collective negotiating matters; student disciplinary cases and other matters relating to individual students; pending, probable, or imminent litigation; security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonable potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the pubic or public property. THERE MAY BE/MAY NOT BE ACTION FOLLOWING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:52 p.m. President Robinson asked for a motion to adjourn the special board meeting. Mr. Uthe made a motion to adjourn the special board meeting and Mrs. Moe seconded the motion and a voice call vote was taken and the following members answered aye (5) Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Moe, Mr. Uthe, Mrs. Becker, Mr. Douglas, and no nays.

Tara Robinson, President

Cathy Cuculich, Reportei