

**HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2021
MINUTES**

Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance - Board President Gary Tompkins called to order the regular meeting of the Homer Community School District Board of Education on March 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. on Google Meet.

Members Present: President Gary Tompkins, Vice-President Kimberly Willis, Secretary Isabell Nazar, Trustee Chad Rocco, Treasurer Catherine Yates, Trustee Tamara Winchell.

Members Absent: Trustee Josh McCullough

Others Present: Interim Superintendent Martin Chard, Director of Instructional Services JoEllen O'Keefe, Executive Administrative Assistant Tammy Tackett, Business Manager Amanda Croad, High School Principal Tom Salow, Elementary Principal Heather Cahill, Director of Technology Duane Sitkiewicz, and Michael Leskowich.

Student Recognition: JoEllen O'Keefe announced the Middle School Student of the Months for the months of February and March. Tom Salow announced the High School Student of the Months for February and March.

Request to Approve Consent Agenda: Catherine Yates moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Voice: None.

Administration Reports: JoEllen O'Keefe, Tom Salow and Heather Cahill provided their reports based off of the Homer Community Schools District Priorities.

Committee Reports: Martin Chard reported the Finance Committee met on March 9th to discuss the future purchases of a bus, bus cameras, elementary roof and track. The Finance Committee meets again on April 13th. The Policy Committee met on March 9th to review the Neola updates. The Personnel Committee will be meeting on March 16th to discuss the HEA Contract.

Discussion Items:

- Martin Chard suggested the approval of the CISD Budget.
- Martin Chard suggested the approval of the second reading of the Neola updates.
- JoEllen O’Keefe stated that the ECOL Plan is the same as the previous month.
- Martin Chard suggested the approval of a bus purchase for the school year 2021-2022.
- Gary Tompkins shared information about the current bus garage parking lot, and may need resurfacing in the near future.
- Gary Tompkins gave an update on our current bus camera situation and suggested they be updated.
- The board shared appreciation for the upkeep of the elementary roof but plan to replace it because of past budget savings we are now able to replace it.
- The Board shared concern about current track conditions and hopes to act soon.

ACTION ITEMS:

20/21 - #40 CISD Budget- Chad Rocco moved, and Catherine Yates supported the motion to approve the CISD Budget Resolution. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

20/21 - #41 Neola Update – Tamara Winchell moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to adopt the second reading of the Neola Updates. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

20/21- #42 ECOL Plan – Isabell Nazar moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to approve the ECOL Plan. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

20/21- #43 Bus Purchase – Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to approve the purchase of a leased bus from Midwest Transit Equipment pending final inspection by Bus Mechanic Scott Hamilton with the 2021-2022 budget. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

20/21- #44 Bus Cameras- Tamara Winchell moved, and Catherine Yates supported the motion to approve the purchase of new cameras for bus fleet (13) from ProVision pending ESSER II funding. Roll Call vote. *Voting yes:* Trustee Winchell, Trustee Rocco, Treasurer Yates, Secretary Nazar, Vice President Willis, and President Tompkins. *Voting no:* none. Motion carried 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- A. Kindergarten Registration – March 29,30,31
- B. Freshman Orientation- March 16 @ 6:00 p.m.
- C. Good Friday – April 2 – No School
- D. Spring Break – April 5-12
- E. School Resumes – April 12
- F. Welcome Mike Leskovich- April 12
- G. Student Count- 1008

ADJOURNMENT

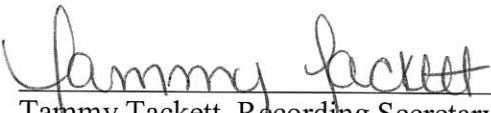
The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

The next regular school board meeting will be held on Mon. April 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the HS Media Center.

Respectfully Submitted,



Isabell Nazar, Secretary



Tammy Tackett, Recording Secretary