

**HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS DISTRICT BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance** - President Gary Tompkins called to order the regular meeting of the Schools Board of Education on November 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

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

**Members Absent:** Trustee Josh McCullough.

**Others Present:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich, Administrative Assistant Tammy Tackett, Business Manager Amanda Croad, Director of Instructional Services JoEllen O’Keefe, Lillian Fletcher Elementary Principal Heather Cahill, and Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson.

**Request to Approve Agenda:** Catherine Yates moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to accept on the Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**Administrative Reports:** JoEllen O’Keefe and Sallie Wilson shared information about the Trojan Learning Lab, and Heather Cahill shared the success of the number of students that are participating in virtual learning when necessary.

**Public Voice:** A community member addressed the board.

**Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich shared that he attended the recent Drama Club musical “Mirror Image” as well as football and volleyball district games, and congratulated both teams. He also shared that there are 26 Thanksgiving meals being donated to families in our district. Mike stated that the district has successfully certified for the Fall Audit. Superintendent Mike Leskowich shared a 6-month evaluation presentation with the board.

**Board Communications:** None.

**Committee Reports:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich stated that there was a Policy Committee meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup> to review the 2021 Fall NEOLA Updates. He also mentioned that there was also a Finance Committee Meeting prior to the board meeting on November 15, 2021 to review the track bid, October financials, and the possibilities of 31o grant funding.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Approval of minutes and corrections for the October 18, 2021 regular meeting and October 28, 2021 Special Meeting.
- Acceptance of financial reports, committee reports and committee minutes.

- Approval of the total district payments for October 2021 in the amount of \$1, 014,129.00
- Employment
  - Hire – Nicole Young, Competitive Cheer
  - Hire – Nevaeh Burns, JV Girls Basketball
  - Resignation – Cory Parrott, High School Principal
  - Resignation – Hannah Philson, Competitive Cheer

Kimberly Willis moved, and Catherine Yates supported the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Superintendent Mike Leskowich suggested dispensing of the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the NEOLA Fall 2021 Update with the exception of holding on Policy #5722.
- Band Director Scott McMeeking shared information on the High School Band Field Trip.
- Mike Leskowich suggested rescheduling December Board Meeting to December 13, 2021.
- Superintendent Mike Leskowich suggested the Approval of Contracts
- Mike Leskowich suggested the approval of the Track Bid that was received from Asphalt Solutions, LLC.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

**21/22 - #15 NEOLA Fall 2021 Update** – Kimberly Willis moved, and Catherine Yates supported the motion to dispense of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading with the exception of Policy #5722. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #16 High School Band Trip** – Kimberly Willis moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to accept the High School Band Trip request. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #17 Reschedule December Board Meeting** – Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to reschedule the December Board meeting to December 13, 2021. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #18 Teacher Aides Association Contract Approval** – Catherine Yates moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to approve the Teacher Aides Association Contract. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #19 Transportation Contract Approval** – Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to approve the Transportation Contract. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #20 Food Service Contract Approval** – Chad Rocco moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to approve the Food Service Contract. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**21/22 - #21 Track Bid** – Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to accept a bid for the track from Asphalt Solutions, LLC. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- A. Thanksgiving Break beginning November 24 – No School
- B. Elementary Christmas Program – December 13, Virtual
- C. Christmas Break beginning with student dismissal at 11:00 a.m. on December 17, 2021 – January 2, 2022.
- D. End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks – December 17
- E. January is School Board Recognition Month
- F. Student Count

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

The next regular school board meeting will be held on Monday, December 13, 2021 in the Media Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Isabell Nazar, Secretary

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Tammy Tackett, Recording Secretary