

North Pekin-Marquette Heights School District No. 102
Committee of the Board of Education
January 15, 2019
District Office Conference Room

MINUTES

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

President Knox called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM in the conference room of Georgetowne School.

Knox	Miller	Isbell	Shockley	Stevenson	Therry	Walker
X	X	absent	X	X	X	X

Other: Mr. Sondgeroth

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

Building and Grounds

GMS Library Upgrade – Mr. Sondgeroth updated the Board on work by the Georgetowne Committee working on plans to upgrade the GMS library during the summer of 2019.

Future Green Program – Mr. Sondgeroth shared information about the Future Green program as an option for purchasing the district’s electric supply. The district currently belongs to the Illinois Energy Consortium (IEC), an energy coop created by the IASA, IASB and IASBO. The IEC uses NextEra Energy to purchase its electrical supply. The District's 3-year contract with the IEC ends in June 2019. Future Green is also an energy coop created by the IASA, IASB and IASBO, but it deals in using renewable energy sources for its power. An initial comparison shows a savings by moving to Future Ready.

HVAC Upgrades – This has been on hold since before Thanksgiving due to a variety of issues. Mr. Sondgeroth plans to contact CTS to begin conversations again.

GMS Phone System Upgrade – Georgetowne School continue to have issues with the phone system. I have contacted the architect to begin looking at options for an upgrade.

Agreement with Marquette Heights & Rec Association – Mr. Sondgeroth met with Rick Crum to discuss an agreement with the City of Marquette Heights, the MHRA and District 102. He shared with the Board a draft copy of an agreement for using and maintaining the diamond. The Board offered many suggestions for the documents.

Personnel

GMS Principal – Mr. Sondgeroth briefly discussed the email he sent to parents regarding the plan to use Mrs. Lindsay and Mr. Brown as the principal and assistant principal for GMS and RES the remainder of the year. He also discussed a survey he will administer to parents and staff to get feedback about the next GMS principal.

GMS Secretary – Mr. Brown, Mrs. Lindsay and Mr. Sondgeroth interviewed candidates to fill the secretarial vacancy at GMS. The three selected Mrs. Cindy Malin as the next secretary. She will begin on Thursday, January 17.

Track Coach – Mr. Sondgeroth informed the Board that he would be recommending Mr. Stambaugh, our new PE teacher, to serve as one of the two GMS track coaches for this spring. Mr. Brown is still scheduled to be the other track coach even though is serving in an assistant principal role.

Superintendent Evaluation – Mr. Sondgeroth informed the Board that Mrs. Donahue would be sending out a Google form for the Board to complete. Board members will have access to the form it online with both their school and personal email accounts.

Policy

PRESS Policy Updates, October/November 2018, Issue 99 - Review of Policies 2:70, 2:80, 2:120, 2:150, 2:260, 3:40, 4:15, 4:45, 4:130, 4:170, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:60, 5:100, 5:190, 5:200, 5:220, 5:230, 5:300, 6:20, 6:50, 6:60, 6:220, 7:70, 7:100, 7:190, 7:200, 7:250, 7:260, 7:270, 7:290, 7:305 – Mr. Sondgeroth shared another copy of these policies. The policies will be on the January Board meeting agenda for approval later this month.

Extra-Curricular Activities

Request to Coop from St. Joe's – Prior to Mr. Ketcham's departure, there had been some discussion about a request from St. Joe's to coop with GMS for softball and baseball next fall. Mr. Sondgeroth has asked Mr. Brown to look into current and projected GMS participation in both sports to see if this would benefit GMS.

Other Items from the Superintendent and Board Members

Future Ready Initiative – Mr. Sondgeroth shared a one-page summary regarding work the Future Ready committee has completed and goals it has completed and will roll out to staff this spring.

School Calendar Change – With the snow day the district used the day after Thanksgiving break, the calendar will need to be adjusted. The district will need to use one of the emergency days listed at the end of the year as a school day. He shared a copy of the revised calendar with the Board.

Board Elections – Mr. Sondgeroth shared a sheet listing the candidates for the April 2019 Board election. That information was received from the County Clerk's office.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 8:03 PM by Miller. Seconded by Walker. Motion passed by acclamation.



Keith Knox, President



Jeff Miller, Secretary