

**HOONAH CITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**October 19, 2017**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dillon Styers, Jamie Erickson, Grace Villarreal, and Robert Hutton.

**SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL:** Ralph Watkins

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kelli Deitering, Recording Secretary, Amy Stevenson, Business Manager, Sheryl Ross, Special Education, Pearl Miller, Veronica Dalton, and Shawn McConnell.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Robert Hutton Called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Four (4) out of five (5) Board Members were present at roll call, a quorum was established. Heidi was sick and had an excused absence.

**ELECTION OF SECRETARY/CLERK:** Dillon Styers read the Oath of Office. There was an election for Secretary/Clerk. Four out of four votes went for Dillon Styers. Dillon Styers remains the Secretary/Clerk for the School Board.

**CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD:** None

**AGENDA REVISIONS:** Robert Hutton would like to add the discussion item Auditor RFP to the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** M/S Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson moved to adopt the revised agenda. Accepted by unanimous consent, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** M/S Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson moved to approve the minutes of Regular Board Meeting September 21, 2017 and Special Board Meeting October 10, 2017. Accepted by unanimous consent, **MOTION CARRIED.**

**BOARD CALENDAR:** Robert Hutton would like to point out that there was a correction to the November calendar. On November 9<sup>th</sup>, there is a joint city council and school board meeting. Next regular board meeting is November 17, 2017 @ 6:30pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT EACH):** No Public Comments

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

- **Administrator Report – Ralph Watkins** reported verbally that the recent assessment data is going well. The goal of the technology plan is sustainable. The inventory check is done. All computers, printers, projectors, and smartboards in the school were counted. They are still working on updating technology. There was a demonstration grant awarded to HCS for \$642,532.00. The data team has been monitoring student growth through data collection. PEAKS, MAPS, AimbsWeb Plus. These are not designed to measure a school's performance. It is a baseline to measure future growth from. Ralph Watkins also reported that Eli Derenoff went to the Liquor Board and got \$2,000 for tools and safety equipment for his CTE classes.
- **Business Office Report – Amy Stevenson** gave a written attached report.
- **ANEP Grant Director's Report – Heather Powell** gave a written attached report.
- **Maintenance Report – Jeremiah Byers** gave a written attached report.
- **Special Education Director Report - Sheryl Ross** gave a written attached report. She also added that Miguel Contreras was hired this week as a Paraprofessional. She is very happy with his work with the children.

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- **Board Reports – Robert Hutton** had no report at this time. **Dillon Styers and Heidi Jewell** had no report at this time. **Grace Villarreal and Jamie Erickson** reported that they had a meeting with Chris Greenwald. They rewrote the letter they had previously presented to the board and gave it to Ralph Watkins. Robert Hutton said that the decision of the Facility Use Agreement should be made by the board as a whole. He will put the Facility Use Agreement as a discussion on the Future Agenda Items. **Grace Villarreal**, the City Liaison, reported that Shawn McConnell is the new school representation for the City Council. He will attend the school board meetings. Jerry Byers is the new Mayor. John Murray is also newly appointed on City Council.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1.0 Second and Final Reading of BP 5145.15**

M/S Robert Hutton, Grace Villarreal move that we approve BP 5145.15 for second and final reading. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

### **1.1. Second and Final Reading of BP 6142.1**

M/S Grace Villarreal, Dillon Styers move that we approve BP 6142.1 for second and final reading. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

### **1.2 Second and Final Reading of BP 3310**

M/S Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson move that we approve BP 3310 for second and final reading. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2.0 Approval of Valerie Gosselin as a Non-Certified Sex-Education Instructor and STD Prevention/Family Planning Curriculum**

M/S Robert Hutton, Jamie Erickson move that we approve Valerie Gosselin as a Non-Certified Sex-Education Instructor and the

curriculum for STD Prevention/Family Planning. Discussion: Robert Hutton stated that it is required by law to address these issues instructionally. Ralph Watkins said that sex-education is mandated by the state and must be taught in health class. Currently, the Health curriculum at HCS is taught only through online courses. The sex education parts of the online course have been blocked because it must be monitored by a teacher. This is why Ralph would like Valerie Gosselin to come to our school and teach her sex-education course. Dillon mentioned that these discussions should fall on the parents not the teachers. Roll Call Vote: Jamie Erickson-Yes, Dillon Styers-No, Grace Villarreal-Yes, and Robert Hutton-Yes. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **2.1 First Reading of Indian Ed BP 6174.1 and E 6174.1**

M/S Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson move that we approve Indian Ed Board Policy 6174.1 and E 6174.1 as presented. Discussion: Robert Hutton stated that there a little things that are changed to conform with the Federal Law. Amy said that if this BP doesn't meet standards, our impact aide may be affected. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

## **2.2 Computer Purchase for FY18**

M/S Jamie Erickson, Grace Villarreal move that an order to purchase 90 Chromebooks be approved pending DEED approval of the Title 1 grant application that includes this purchase. Discussion: Jamie Erickson asked Ralph how often the Chromebooks will need updating. Ralph Watkins responded that Chromebooks are based on a Google platform. As long as you have internet, Google can be updated. Roll Call Vote: Jamie Erickson-Yes, Dillon Styers-Yes, Grace Villarreal-Yes, and Rober Hutton-Yes. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

## **2.3 FY17 Annual Financial Report**

M/S Grace Villarreal, Dillon Styers move that we accept the FY17 Annual Financial Report as presented. Discussion: Joe Bergene from Altman, Rogers & Company called in and gave a summary of FY17 Audit

Procedures. There were no questions. Roll Call Vote: Jamie Erickson-Yes, Dillon Styers-Yes, Grace Villarreal-Yes, and Robert Hutton-Yes. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- **AASB Conference – November 9-12<sup>th</sup>**

Dillon Styers, Robert Hutton, Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson, and later Heidi Jewell will not be able to attend this conference due to many reasons. Superintendent Ralph Watkins is the only one attending this conference. He would like to attend the Board Boot Camp for a better understanding on how to communicate with the School Board.

- **Auditor RFP**

Robert Hutton stated that HCS is attached to the City of Hoonah. The RFP for Auditor has to come from the City. This is something the School Board can request from the City during the Joint Meeting in early November.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS (THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER):**

**-Shawn McConnell:**

1. Shawn asked that the School Board please make up an agenda to follow for the Joint City Council / School Board Meeting.

2. He commented about the Sex-Education curriculum. Children in high school make life changing decisions. It is important to expose kids to these things and educate them. If there is an educated public health nurse that is enthusiastic about teaching the Sex-Education curriculum, you should let them. Some regular teachers may feel uncomfortable about teaching Sex-Education.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:**

- **Grace Villarreal** would like to thank the staff for coming to the school board meeting. She welcomes Shawn McConnell. She thanked Ralph for his Administrator's Report.

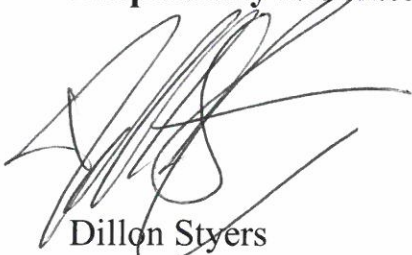
**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- 1. Facility Use Agreement**
- 2. Second and Final Reading of Indian Ed Policy 6174.1**
- 3. More Policy Updates**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**



Dillon Styers  
Board Secretary



Kelli Deitering  
School Board Secretary