

Meeting Transcription 19-05-2020

Jason Mitchell: Abraham Hi, Laura.

Laura Billings: Hi. How is everybody?

Jason Mitchell: Alright, how are you?

Laura Billings: Good.

Jason Mitchell: Brittany's eating

Laura Billings: I see that but I mean something.

Brittany Rizzo: Superfast Superfast I'm trying to squeeze in a game of Frisbee with the kids between meetings. So now I'm just catching up.

Laura Billings: It's a beautiful day for frisbee.

Brittany Rizzo: It ends really fast when your three-year-old hits your one-year-old in the back of the head with the Frisbee though.

Laura Billings: Yeah.

Brittany Rizzo: I did grab a flag though out of the garden in case we need it up. Okay, hold on.

Larry Nichols: Good evening, everybody.

Laura Billings: Good evening.

Jason Mitchell: Is gentle voice maiden name Duckett?

Laura Billings: Yes.

Jason Mitchell: All right. She's trying to get into where I'm I just want to make sure I knew who eating. it was.

Jennifer Dukett: near me

Laura Billings: Now I can.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay.

Brittany Rizzo: Can I still flying out of the garden for you? So you'll be ready?

Jennifer Dukett: awesome I love it one two everybody misses and stuff

Jason Mitchell: Big Bird Stephanie

Jennifer Dukett: Okay. All right, we'll go ahead and get started and she's going or not when she's ready or not. So I will call this meeting to order. Brittany could you give us the flag? All right, you'll join me for the Pledge of Allegiance. I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all hey, Do we have any agenda Editions?

Jason Mitchell: We do not.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay. We do have executive session on their beautiful. Okay, so do I have a motion to approve the agenda for this meeting?

Laura Billings: Laura

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Jessica Clark: Hi.

Brittany Rizzo: Hi.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed Motion carried do I have a motion to approve the minutes for the April 21st, 2014 regular meeting.

Jessica Clark: so moved

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jessica Clark:

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried public forum nothing

Jason Mitchell: I am monitoring our info Ed Madison email for folks. There's a message on the website that they can send in questions or comments and we don't have any at this point.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay. Alright, so we'll move on to treasure reports mouth.

Mel Brouillette: For approval is the internal claims Auditors report.

Jennifer Dukett: my motion

Jessica Clark: so move Jessica

Laura Billings: second and Laura

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jennifer Dukett: motion carried

Mel Brouillette: next for your approval is a treasurer's report dated April 30th, 2020 20

Jennifer Dukett: you have a motion.

Laura Billings: Lowell

Jennifer Dukett: second all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: Thank you for me.

Laura Billings: Hey.

Jessica Clark: Thank you.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Mel Brouillette: Now for approval is the detailed warrants as listed.

Laura Billings: move to approve

Jessica Clark: second Jessica

Jennifer Dukett: on favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jessica Clark: Hey.

Jennifer Dukett: motion carried

Mel Brouillette: And finalize your financial status report if anybody has any questions.

Jennifer Dukett: No.

Tracey Lewis: This is Tracy. Can I just remind you to please say your name because I have lots of female voices.

Laura Billings: Sorry.

Tracey Lewis: Thank you. That's okay. Thank you.

Mel Brouillette: Thank you.

Laura Billings: move different Laura

Jason Mitchell:

Jennifer Dukett: All right superintendent information items.

Jason Mitchell: About school closure with some updates, you know, I want to continue to commend our teachers and students for the work. They're doing with remote learning. It was very quick transition and everybody's learning by and while we hear that some kids are struggling to stay connected. I think overall things are going very very well there. So I want to thank everybody. Update on meals since we've closed we've our kitchen staff has distributed about 7,500 meals and that doesn't include blue packs. I don't have a firm number of who packs. I'm trying to get one. But I think with blue put blue packs were well over 10,000 meals that we've distributed equally

Jennifer Dukett:

Jason Mitchell: amazing. touching on some things that I know families are concerned about I've shared in my letters, but

Jennifer Dukett: Where's that?

Jason Mitchell: here again personal belongings. That might be left in school lockers cubbyholes classrooms Etc. We've been working on collecting those items up bagging them and the plan right now, which is toward the end of the school year to have kind of an exchange drive up exchange if you will right here at the building where Families Drive in will give him a bag of materials and they can return Chromebook iPad calculators other other school items so we don't have it exactly firmed up and what dates would do that but when we have it firm certainly will share that with everybody. I know that seniors continue and Senior families continue to be concerned about graduation. Mr. Nichols has been working on that with them and will share information later on. And I do just want to touch on the budget newsletter differences this year, you know, typically the budget newsletter is Ismail, then it's one budget newsletter with celebrations and our budget information. We received the executive order from the governor pretty late in the game that the budget vote had to be on June 9th. Didn't leave us a real big window to produce and Print and Mail our budget newsletter. So we've gone with two different. Budget newsletters this year a short really budget focused newsletter, which will be mailed after board approves our are spending plan tonight. And that's a short for pager message from me our top 10 students and then budget information and then we're going to post a longer celebratory newsletter with a lot of the celebrations of our work that's been going on. Over our closure on our website for for folks to view. So that's a little bit of a change from the past. So I just wanted to make sure that I learned everybody to that. That's it for me for info information items. I'm going to approval items if you wish. Said he S. I wasn't sure before you

Jennifer Dukett: Yes, I muted myself.

Jason Mitchell: vote.

Jennifer Dukett: Sorry.

Jason Mitchell: Before you vote on non-resident students just wanted to mention that policy committee and I talked to this evening about some small changes to our policy, which will be coming to the board. Hopefully the next meeting right now. Our policy does not include the principles and the process of approving out of District students. So I would like to get the principles in that process. So it would be some small language changes that would include the principles and then we currently listen. Dates in the policy specific dates in the policy about the beginning of semesters and those change every year. So I want to just take those dates out and leave language about the semesters but not it's because every new every new school year those dates potentially can become wrong and we've got wrong dates that in our policy. So just some small updates on non-resident students before your approval of the applications that we've received. So I want to motivate those approvals now.

Brittany Rizzo: so moved Bernie

Laura Billings: second Laura

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: hi.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Mike Filipovich: G

Jason Mitchell: Google is to create a speech and language pathologist position, as you know, we've talked about hiring that position as a monetary savings for the district instead of going through BOCES and private organizations. That position does not currently exist in our structure. So later on in the evening, you will be appointing a person into that position, but we can't appoint them until the position exists. So that's the point of this motion.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay, do I don't know.

Mike Filipovich: somu

Jennifer Dukett: Everybody wants this one.

Mike Filipovich: second

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: Hi.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Jason Mitchell: Not much to say approval of vote inspectors, but I guess just a reminder to anybody who was watching that all of those are mail-in ballots this year and ballots need be received by the district either by mail or in person by 5 o'clock on June 9th to be counted.

Brittany Rizzo: Someone broke me.

Laura Billings: second and Laura

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Jason Mitchell: So point of clarification, I don't know if you intended that vote to be for both vote inspectors and Alternate vote inspectors. If you did not intend that to be for alternate vote inspectors, you'll have to make a motion on that as well.

Jennifer Dukett: Yes, that is for both. Sorry.

Jason Mitchell: So next item on the agenda for your approval is our proposed budget. So before we talk about numbers here, you know just want to talk a little bit about the district has a clear understanding of the difficult Economic Times that folks find themselves in with covid-19 and people working from home or potentially being laid off and you know, we've done our best to balance the needs of our students with the fiscal responsibility for our voters here. So I think you know the numbers that will be presenting to you tonight for your approval. our have kind of met that balance as you can see on your agenda are spending plan number where that we're looking for you to approve is 10 million nine hundred seventy five thousand seven hundred fifteen dollars that represents a 3.0 for spending increase over 2019-20 and a 2.05 tax levy increase over 2019-20 This spending plan would right now

Jennifer Dukett:

Jason Mitchell: maintain all programming academic and extracurricular for our students and All Staffing levels other than potentially somebody's left the district and they don't need to be replaced. But as you're aware, you know, this is the budget as of today, but the governor has talked a lot about potential reductions to state aid as we continue on through the rest of this school year and in the next school year. And the number of 20% reduction has been mentioned quite frequently. So as I hope you can imagine it's difficult to plan a budget when you're not sure what the actual final numbers are going to be but we're going with the numbers that are in front of us right now and you know, so that's the plan that it's in front of you if if we could get a reduction in Aid then obviously we'll have to go back to the drawing board and figure things out budgetarily and we'll be back to have that. Relation, but as it stands tonight looking for your approval of the the numbers that are on there on your agenda.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay, I've been watching.

Jessica Clark: some of Jessica

Laura Billings: second level

Mike Filipovich: second

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Laura Billings:

Jessica Clark: Thanks.

Jennifer Dukett: host motion carried

Jason Mitchell: I don't have any phone number six approval of insurance proposal for Taylor fryer and Coon.

Jennifer Dukett: do I have a motion?

Mike Filipovich: so moved

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Jason Mitchell: So number seven school calendar when when we did the final agenda. We weren't sure if we'd be ready to discuss this tonight. But we are as you know, the district school districts are required to have a hundred eighty day Academic School calendar for students and that has changed some we still have to have a hundred eighty days. But the actual days have changed since the board approved our 2019-20 academic calendar. As you know, we were required to students and teachers were required to work over spring break and will also be required to work the Friday before Memorial Day Memorial Day. Will it's our understanding at this point remain a holiday. So folks won't work but to give back those days if you will the spring break days and the Friday before Memorial Day our end-of-year school date would change to June 16th, which is Different than what's on our academic calendar, so it's just the board previously approved the academic calendar. Just wanted that the board's approval to change the end of our school year to June 16th. And of course that tonight I will

Jennifer Dukett: G

Jason Mitchell: communicate that to our families here later this week.

Jennifer Dukett: do I have a motion?

Laura Billings: some water

Jessica Clark: second Jessica

Jennifer Dukett: John favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried

Jason Mitchell: Thanks approval. I guess I'll just encourage any students who may be unlikely. But may watch our YouTube streaming of our meeting here that June 16th is less than a month away. So, you know, if you haven't done so yet connect with your teachers connect with your classmates do your work for the final push less than a month we can make it and while your summer will be different. You'll have some time off here shortly. So let's make the final push.

Jennifer Dukett: Can we do the homeschooling? I'm Happy dance.

Jason Mitchell: You have a month yet. We prefer that you use we prefer that

Jennifer Dukett: under a month

Jason Mitchell: you use remote learning or distance learning not homeschooling because there's technically a different.

Jennifer Dukett: Yes, that's true. Very true. You're correct. All right.

Jason Mitchell: Policies that are listed for you next our second readings we talked about those that are previous board meeting remember pretty minor changes are required to some of those policies.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay, we can just vote for them all a through e do I have a motion to approve policies as listed a through e?

Brittany Rizzo: someone Brittany

Laura Billings: second and Laura

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: hi.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried All right old business. Board of Education discussion items New business we have some Personnel appointments and we can just do a through G. Write a through g. Yep all-in-one if I have a motion for a through G.

Jona Snyder: so move

Brittany Rizzo: second in Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Brittany Rizzo: I

Tracey Lewis: Was that Michael Jonah that made the motion?

Jennifer Dukett: That was Jonah.

Tracey Lewis: Thank you.

Jason Mitchell: So before moving up, did you vote?

Jennifer Dukett: No, we're closed motion carried. Okay now go ahead.

Jason Mitchell: Sorry then want to say about you

Jennifer Dukett: All right.

Jason Mitchell: you know, I'm excited about these candidates. I had an opportunity to meet with with all of them and I think we've got a good crap of hires here both long-term subs and probationary pointment. So I'm looking forward to what they can bring to Madison you'll notice in your There were some resolutions for the probationary appointments. The is in those resolutions are required by law. So I just want to make sure that when we're making the resolutions that we have those in your packet and then we have those on record moving forward and we're making sure we do some work around tenure titles to make sure our tenure titles aligned with law. 210 your titles are kind of limited to be honest in the law. For example, if you're a science teacher the tenure title is science, even though you might be certified in biology or chemistry or living environment or Earth science. And you have different skill sets. The tenure area is science. So just want to make sure that we moving forward are following the proper regulations when it comes to our tenure appointments. So those resolutions will do that as well. This next item on your agenda. There was a resolution in your in your packet for it as well. And we've shared information with you in writing previously about this particular motion.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay, so do I have a motion for termination?

Jona Snyder: so moved

Laura Billings: Second and Laura.

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Laura Billings: Do you do these need to be signed by us and sent back or given back?

Jason Mitchell: Tracy will fill in the details.

Tracey Lewis: Correct. I'm just feeling a bit as we go here. Can you hear me?

Laura Billings: Yes.

Tracey Lewis: Okay.

Jason Mitchell: Yes.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay, I think we're at all

Laura Billings: Sorry, Daniel.

Jason Mitchell: Hello.

Laura Billings: Yes.

Jessica Clark:

Brittany Rizzo: I

Jennifer Dukett: motion carried

Jason Mitchell: The final Personnel motion. I wanted to just make clear this as nothing to do with anybody's performance or anything of that nature. It's just that we had appointed spring coaches and never had a spring season and those coaches won't be getting paid for a season that never happened. So to make sure that we don't have to pay them. We're just ask the board to rescind the appointments that they had previously made for the spring coaches.

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Laura Billings: I

Brittany Rizzo: Hi.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed motion carried all right csec PSE recommendations in official packet
Do I have a motion?

Jessica Clark: so moved

Mike Filipovich: Damu

Tracey Lewis: Can I have a do-over on that?

Jessica Clark: I think some of Jessica.

Tracey Lewis: Thank you, Jessica.

Brittany Rizzo: second, Brittany

Tracey Lewis: Thank you.

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor opposed

Brittany Rizzo: Hi.

Jennifer Dukett: motion carried. Alright principle report

Brian Latella: Hi everybody, this is Brian. I'll talk quickly first about the elementary. The very first thing I would like to do is just give a big thank you to our crisis team. As you know, we had a tragedy occur this weekend and the response to the team and how the school Community is has come together again to support in this situation is is remarkable to see again, so thanks to the crisis team. I also just wanted. Mention quickly the interview process for those approvals earlier tonight including the long-term sobs the RTI math position. It was two rounds of interviews virtually first round. We interviewed majority of candidates and then brought cannons back for those two positions and like, mr. Mitchell said, we're really excited about, you know, the next year and those candidates and how though help to bring success to Madison Central School. Finally, we had their last educational material delivery on May 15th. And again just a huge thank you to our teaching staff for the organization of the materials are administrative assistants for the the labels like to go on the bags, you know, and and Jeff Peters in the in the transportation department for you know, what was an extra three weeks of materials than what we were used to delivering and loading them all up onto the buses and delivering them. Sighs just remarkable again. So a huge thank you to everybody involved the we know that the students are working hard on the material in connecting with teachers and in many different ways. So the entire district has once again come together and are doing a remarkable job in this unique situation that we're in teaching staff i Transportation staff cafeteria staff technology. Everybody's working together and it's really great. To see although we're not as a big event as the senior graduation this year. We do have a couple of events that we want to bring it up to date on and one would be the fifth grade moving up ceremony that are fifth grade staff is working on what that would look like for our students our Kindergarten Celebration and our Pre-K graduation. So right now there's there's work going on behind the scenes with the teachers and those steps to still have those, you know Rites of Passage for our It's that's my report tonight.

Larry Nichols: All right.

Jennifer Dukett: Thank you.

Larry Nichols: Alright, thanks Bryce. Oh good evening, everybody. I just want to spend a little time talking about graduation couple narratives out there one via social media one actual narrative. So I just want to kind of give you some of the history where we're at so far. So we've been playing this right along. Unfortunately. It's tough to plan something when you don't have the rules of the game. So we've been kind of waiting for direction from the governor threw out currently we can't have we have we restricted to you know, you can't have over 10 people, you know in a crowd kind of thing. So we're kind of playing that down the road. We're pushing

graduation. We were talking about putting it into July give us a little opportunity to maybe perhaps have a more personal graduation than just virtual. I did talk to the seniors about you know, what they would like to see some options. We talked about virtual graduations because there were some going on throughout the country they didn't Best so we put that on the back burner. So our goal was to do something a little more personal for them within the rules that we're that's given us and within the the guys under under safety. We want to keep everybody safe. So right now I've been working with class advisors Trisha Coon. I've been keeping Jason in the loop when you know, what's been happening with some of our planning. Parents have suggested some ideas one idea suggested to us. And we already kind of looking at that was a drive-in graduation where parents and graduates come in their vehicles. They Park we try to put on a nice ceremony for them to do that right in the parking lot. So right now I have that information out to like Chris post Kurt PV to see if we can you know, how can we do some sort of a ceremony like that, you know. Stickley with you know sound systems, you know, possibly a slideshow. Do you just slide show through through their devices instead of using a screen because it will be outdoors. We've also contacted SUNY Morrisville Colgate about using their football field to allow us to social distance people a little bit better and a large field that has the capability to you know have a sound system. So we have the audio the visual the video soon. Morrisville has gotten back to me. It was Friday or Saturday. We can't use their facilities. I'm still waiting on cool game, but we are we're trying to put as many scenarios into place to the once we Now what we're allowed to do we can kind of put the appropriate scenario and run with it. If that makes sense. I don't have an articulating well or not, but it's tough because we're kind of on a wait and see so we're hoping things are kind of can come together here soon. But in the meantime, we are planning on this. I know there's been some rumors out there that not much is being done. It is being done and we do want to make it as as meaningful to our seniors as possible. I articulate that to them today. Via email that we still want to try to make it meaningful for them still under the guise of safety though. I think that's Paramount and if they have any ideas share those ideas with us and actually some seniors did have have a couple of ideas to incorporate into the graduation ceremony, which were however we have it and we're going to do that. That was a pretty good idea in my email to them. I did stress that, you know, we can't use everybody's idea, but we'll try to Do the best we can to making this as meaningful as possible, you know, just you know, be patient, you know be flexible and we will we will do this. We're also planning on doing a virtual War think ceremony. That's gonna be the same night. It's June 24th. So Tricia Coon is going to work with me on that to set up a virtual Awards night. We've also talked about possibly, you know, creating some sort of a Senior parade at some point before graduation, maybe two weeks or so before we do the graduation have a senior having a senior, you know parade. We're still kind of, you know, spitballing that still so we're trying some ideas to make things a little bit special for them. And like I said, you know we're open ideas. We are talking about it and the goal is to have something meaningful for them. And that's all. I just wanted to tell you folks just cuz I know You bet you've been hearing things and I just want to make sure that you know, you kind of got it from us. And like I said, I keep I keep mr. Mitchell up to speed on all the things that we're doing. So, you know by all means, you know, give him a jingle or whatever and you know, we'll keep you up to speed. Thank you.

Jennifer Dukett: Thank you. All right. correspondence no question-and-answer opportunity

Jason Mitchell: We received no emails at this point.

Jennifer Dukett: Okay. Alright, so I guess we are going to need a motion to go into executive

session.

Mike Filipovich: so moved Mike

Jona Snyder: second Jonah

Jennifer Dukett: all in favor

Mike Filipovich: All right.

Jennifer Dukett: opposed

Tracey Lewis:

Jennifer Dukett: and won't let Brittany is our temporary Clerk.

Brittany Rizzo: Duncan

Tracey Lewis: Thank you.

Mike Filipovich: We have to get off and get back on.

Jason Mitchell: Yes, we do.

Jennifer Dukett: Yes.

Jason Mitchell: I'll send you an invitation right after we hang up here.

Mike Filipovich: All right.

Jennifer Dukett: All right.

Mike Filipovich: Thank you.

Jessica Clark: Thanks.

Brittany Rizzo: good night.

Tracey Lewis: Thank you. Goodbye.