

## **BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Newville, Pennsylvania**

### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, June 7, 2021**

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#### **I. Call to Order**

Mr. Swanson, President, took roll call of the Board of School Directors present for the Big Spring School District, June 7, 2021, Virtual Board Meeting of the Big Spring Board of School Directors Meeting at 8:00 pm with (9) Board of School Directors present: William Swanson, President; Todd Deihl, Vice President; Alexis Hurley, Treasurer; William Piper, Secretary; Robert Over, David Gutshall, John Wardle, Frank Myers, and Richard Roush.

Absent: No one was absent.

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Assistant Superintendent; Richard E. Kerr, Jr., Business Manager; Donna Minnich, Board Minutes; Rob Krepps, Director of Technology, Michael Statler, Business Manager, Caleb Barwin, Account Controller, Bill August, High School Principal, and Jason Shover.

#### **II. Pledge to the Flag**

President Swanson led all individuals present in the Pledge to the Flag.

#### **III. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the May 17, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, the May 17, 2021 and the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Wardle

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion Carried unanimously. 9 – 0

#### **IV. Student/Staff Recognition and Board Reports – No Student Report**

**V. Financial Reports**

a. Payments of Bills

General Fund		
Procurement Card	\$	20,294.81
Checks/ACH/Wires	\$	2,118,065.46
Capital Projects Reserve Fund	\$	32,822.80
Cafeteria Fund	\$	611.45
Student Activities	\$	<u>11,165.34</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,182,959.86</b>

Motion to approve the Payments of Bills, as presented.

Motion by Ms. Hurley was seconded by Mr. Roush

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion Carried unanimously. 9 – 0

**VI. Reading of Correspondence**

**VII. Recognition of Visitors** – Pastor Bill Beck, 108 Lawrence Lane, Carlisle PA addressed the members of the Board and offered a prayer of encouragement for the Board members, administration, staff, students, and community.

**VIII. Public Comment Period**

**IX. Structured Public Comment Period**

**X. Old Business**

**XI. New Business**

**XII. Personnel Items - Actions Items**

**12.a. Resignation High School Learning Support - Ms. Cecilia Warthin**

Ms. Cecilia Warthin has submitted her letter of resignation for the position of High School Learning Support Teacher effective June 11, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Warthin's resignation as presented.

**12.b. Recommended Approval of Classified Transfer**

As per Board Policies 3850.1-3850.4, the administration will transfer the classified employee whose name is listed below:

Mrs. Katelyn Minnich transfer from Administrative Assistant to the High School Principal to Administrative Assistant for PIMS/Child Accounting. Mrs. Minnich will be placed on level B-14 within the Classified Agreement for the 2021-2022 school year.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the transfer of the individual listed above as presented.

### **12.c. Resignation - Girls' Soccer Coach**

Ms. Jessica Sprecher has submitted her resignation for the position of Middle School Girls' Soccer Coach for the upcoming 2021-2022 season.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Sprecher's resignation as presented.

### **12.d. Recommended Approval for High School Principal - Mr. Jason Shover**

Education:

Shippensburg University - Education Administration K-12 (Master's Degree)

Experience:

Mechanicsburg Area School District, Assistant Principal

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors appoint Mr. Jason Shover to serve as High School Principal, replacing Mr. Bill August who has transferred. Mr. Shover will begin in the position of Big Spring High School Principal effective July 1, 2021 and his compensation for this position should be established at \$106,000.00 for the 2021-2022 school year, per the Act 93 Agreement.

### **12.e. Recommended Approval for a High School Learning Support Teacher - Ms. Jessica Kindon**

Education:

Wilson College - Special Education PK-8 (Master's Degree)

Experience:

Big Spring School District - Long-term substitute teacher for elementary learning support at Mt. Rock Elementary School

Hartland Elementary School - Substitute teacher for elementary learning support

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors appoint Ms. Jessica Kindon to the position of high school learning support teacher, replacing Cecilia Warthin who has resigned. The compensation for this position should be established at Master's Degree step 2 \$60,325.00, plus a \$400.00 special education stipend for the 2021-2022 school year, based on the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

### **12.f. Recommended Approval of Administrative Assistant for the High School Office - Ms. Beth Stewart**

Mr. William August, High School Principal, would like to recommend Ms. Beth Stewart for the position of part-time Administrative Assistant to the High School Office, replacing Erin Ford who has transferred to a new position. Ms. Stewart will be placed on level H-7 within the Classified Agreement for the 2021-2022 school year.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Stewart for this position as presented.

### **12.g. Recommended Intern for the Elementary Summer School Program**

Dr. Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, would like to recommend Ms. Haleigh Snyder for the position of intern for the 2021 Elementary Summer School Program.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Snyder as a paid elementary intern for summer school as presented.

### **12.h. Recommended Wellness Committee Members**

Dr. Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, would like to recommend the following individuals for the Wellness Committee starting with the 2021 - 2022 school term:

Jennifer Warner

Melissa Sheffer

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the above listed individuals for the Wellness Committee as presented to replace vacancies by Kimberly Shinham and Judy Breneman who are retiring.

### **12.i. Resignation - Middle School Team Leader**

Mr. Brad Fry has submitted his resignation from the position of Middle School Team Leader effective the end of the 2020-2021 school term.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Mr. Fry's resignation as presented.

### **12.j. Resignation of Elementary Special Education Teacher - Ms. Amelia Blanton**

Ms. Amelia Blanton has submitted her resignation for the position of Elementary Special Education Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School effective June 11, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Blanton's resignation as presented.

### **12.k. Resignation of Intensive Learning Support Aide at Newville Elementary School - Ms. Pamela Luszik**

Ms. Pamela Luszik has submitted her resignation from the position of Intensive Learning Support Aide at Newville Elementary School effective June 10, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Luszik's resignation as presented.

## **12.i. Recommended Approval for Lifeguards**

Collin Roberts

Nicholas Egger

Mason Palmer

Mattea Penner

Alexis Clouse

Cace Oburn

Marlee Johnson

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the above list of names to serve as lifeguards as presented.

## **12.m. Recommended Approval of Custodial Positions and Transfers**

Ms. Cheri Frank, Coordinator of Custodial Services, is requesting the custodial transfers listed below:

**John Weller** transfer from part-time at Middle School to part-time at Mount Rock Elementary with no change in hourly rate of pay.

**Niki Hamilton** transfer from part-time at Oak Flat Elementary to part-time at the High School with no change in hourly rate of pay.

**David Kinzler** transfer from part-time at Oak Flat Elementary to full-time at Oak Flat Elementary with no change in hourly rate of pay.

Ms. Cheri Frank, Coordinator of Custodial Services, is recommending the individuals listed below to serve in the following custodial positions:

**Cathy Hair** part-time position at Middle School at a starting rate of \$14.30 per hour.

**Missy Seiders** full-time position at Mount Rock elementary at a starting rate of \$14.30 per hour.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the custodial transfers and new hires as presented.

## **12.n. Volunteer Coaching Appointment**

Mr. Joe Sinkovich, Athletic Director, would like to recommend Ms. Amy Davidson as a volunteer coach for the Girls' Basketball Team.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Amy Davidson as a volunteer coach as presented.

**12.o. Recommended Coaching Appointments**

Mr. Joe Sinkovich, Athletic Director, would like to recommend the following individuals for coaching positions:

Robert Smetana - Assistant Coach for Varsity Girls' Basketball

Dwayne Kepner - Assistant Coach for Varsity Girls' Basketball

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the individuals listed above for coaching positions as presented.

**12.p. Resignation - Middle School Team Leader**

Ms. Laura Shambaugh has submitted her resignation from the position of Middle School Arts Team Leader.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors accept Ms. Shambaugh's resignation as presented.

**Vote on XII, New Business, 12a – 12p, Personnel Concerns excluding 12d:**

Motion by Mr. Deihl and seconded by Mr. Roush

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion Carried unanimously. 9 – 0

**Vote on 12d - Recommended Approval for High School Principal - Mr. Jason Shover**

Motion by Mr. Wardle and seconded by Mr. Deihl

Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion Carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Mr. Shover thanked everyone for their time and devotion to the school district and said it is a pleasure to come back to Big Spring. Having been a former student and teacher coming back full circle in his new administrative capacity to provide the same support he received and will now extend to other students and staff is exciting.

**XIII. New Business - Actions Items**

**13.a. Credit Pay**

The professional employees whose names are listed below have successfully completed graduate work and are entitled to the specified amount in accordance with the negotiated contract.

Casey Barwin	\$3,096.00
Courtney Benson	\$3,240.00
Erin Bishop	\$1,980.00
Amy Craig	\$ 450.00
Tessa Lindsay	\$1,548.00
Caitlin Steinly	\$1,548.00

### **Credit Pay Continued:**

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors authorize reimbursement for graduate credits as outlined above and as provided in the current contract between the Big Spring Educational Association and the Big Spring School District.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9-0

### **13.b. Recommended Approval for Building Utilization Request - Big Spring Boys' Soccer**

Mr. Scott Anderson, Soccer Coach, is requesting to utilize the high school soccer field for a spring league soccer game on June 6, 2021. Because the utilization request is on a Sunday, Board action is necessary.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Mr. Anderson's request to utilize the high school soccer field as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.c. Recommended Approval of Guidelines of Medical Standing Orders, Medical Standing Orders for Opioid and TB Test Administration**

The District's guidelines for medical standing orders, medical standing orders for opioid and TB test administration have been reviewed and approved by the Administration, District School Nurses and Dr. Darryl Guistwite, School Physician. A copy of the documents have been included with the agenda.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the guidelines for the medical standing orders for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Mr. Myers asked why Graham Medical is not providing this medical service to Big Spring School District and Dr. Fry responded that we will continue to pursue them to see if we could work together in the future.

### **13.d. Recommended Approval for Contracted Services of the School Physician**

#### **2020-2021**

\$14.80 per student exam and a retainer rate for the 2020-2021 school year \$1,000.00

#### **2021-2022**

\$15.10 per student exam and a retainer rate for the 2021-2022 school year \$1,000.00

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors appoint Dr. Darryl Guistwite as the school physician for student examinations for the 2020-2021 school year at a per student physical examination rate of \$14.80 as well as the 2021-2022 school year at a per student physical examination rate of \$15.10. The administration also recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Dr. Guistwite's request for a retainer rate of \$1,000.00 for the 2020-2021 school year and 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Mr. Deihl questioned if exam costs were paid for every student and Dr. Fry responded that we are only billed for students who cannot obtain and afford a private physical.

### **13.e. Recommended Approval for the Vista School ESY Services Contract**

The administration reviewed the Extended School Year Educational Services Contract with the Vista School and would like to recommend approval from the Board of School Directors. The Vista School operates a private academic school, licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The agreement is to assist BSSD in providing educational services to students with disabilities.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.f. Recommended Approval for Building Utilization Request - Big Spring Midget Football**

Ms. Ellie Paulus, Representative for Big Spring Midget Football is requesting to utilize the old baseball field and stadium for the purpose of football practice between August and October and football games on August 29, September 5, October 3, and October 17, 2021. Because the request involves Sunday's, Board action is necessary.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve Mr. Paulus' request to utilize the old baseball field and stadium as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Wardle

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.g. High School World Language Trip to Spain**

Megan Anderson, Laura LaRose, and Ashley Oldham, High School World Language Teachers, are requesting permission to plan a trip to Spain for Big Spring High School students to tentatively travel in June, 2023. A detailed travel itinerary will be submitted to the Board of School Directors for review once completed by staff.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors grant Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. LaRose, and Mrs. Oldham approval to explore travel opportunities for Big Spring High School Students to travel in June 2023, pending approval of a detailed travel itinerary when complete.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.h. Voting Delegate for the 2021 PSBA Delegate Assembly**

The Pennsylvania School Boards Association requests that the Board of School Directors for each PSBA member school district notify PSBA of the name of each school district's voting delegate for the October 23, 2021 PSBA Delegate Assembly, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors designate Frank Myers, Board Member, to serve as Big Spring School District's Voting Delegate for the October 23, 2021 PSBA Delegate Assembly.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.i. Merakey Agreement for 2021-2022**

Mr. William Gillet, Director of Student Services, received and reviewed the proposed Merakey Agreement for the 2021 - 2022 school term. Merakey is a private academic school, licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The agreement is to assist BSSD in providing educational services to students with autism and/or emotional disturbance.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the Merakey Agreement for 2021-2022 as presented and authorizes the administration to sign the appropriate documents and submit payment.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.j. Approve Cap Tax Agreement**

This concludes the suit the District brought against CapTax (with Carlisle & South Middleton) when we were forced into the Cumberland County Tax Bureau as part of Act 32 of 2008. (see 2010-CAPTAX-note attached) When the districts left CapTax, they received no payment for their share of the equity. The Solicitor's note (attached) recommends Board approval in June in preparation for signing of the final agreements and receipt of the check.

[Link to Agreement](#)

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the agreement as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.k. Approve Transportation Agreement With Deitch Busing**

The contract with Deitch Buses, Inc. is up this year. Working with Deitch, the administration and the Solicitor, we've made several changes (highlighted in yellow) to accommodate the recent emergency declarations, the pandemic and a few operational changes.

[Link to Agreement](#) (draft)

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the agreement as presented and sign the agreement upon final Solicitor review.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

There was discussion on how the state formula is calculated and Dr. Fry shared that many districts pay more than the standard state rate.

### **13.l. Recommended Approval of a Resolution**

The Resolution is to approve and authorize the Superintendent, Dr. Richard W. Fry to sign all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses regarding information from the Pennsylvania Department of Education and consents to the use of electronic signatures through June 30, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the Resolution to approve and authorize Dr. Richard W. Fry to sign all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses regarding information from the Pennsylvania Department of Education and consents to the use of electronic signatures through June 30, 2021, as presented.

Motion by Deihl Roush seconded

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.m. Recommended Approval of a Resolution**

The Resolution is to approve and authorize the Superintendent, Dr. Kevin C. Roberts, Jr. to sign all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses regarding information from the Pennsylvania Department of Education and consents to the use of electronic signatures beginning July 1, 2021.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the Resolution to approve and authorize Dr. Kevin C. Roberts, Jr. to sign all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses regarding information from the Pennsylvania Department of Education and consents to the use of electronic signatures beginning July 1, 2021, as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

### **13.n. ESSER II Agreement**

The administration has received and reviewed the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) Program under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act which offers a grant to defray program costs incurred from March 13, 2020 to September 30, 2023. A copy of the ESSER II Agreement is attached.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the ESSER II Agreement as presented.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

**13.o. Approve Service Agreements and Capital Reserve Fund Payment**

The administration reviewed the following agreements and invoices for services for the 2021/22 school year. Google Workspace provides a collection of cloud storage, productivity and collaboration tools used by all employees & students. Adobe Cloud is a collection of creative apps and services for photography, design, video, and web sites. Raptor is the visitor management program that screens and tracks all visitors when entering school buildings and alerts administration and staff of custody violations and sex offenders. Blackboard provides a suite of tools to manage the district website and the mass notifications system to communicate with families and staff. Go Guardian provides the teachers with a tool to manage the student devices during class time and contains filtering to identify students who are at risk of suicide or possible harm to others through threats, violence, and bullying. Navigate Prepared provides a suite of preparedness and emergency action & coordination tools for all employees. The last items is an invoice from Barton for the HS Boiler Project to be paid from Capital Project Reserve Fund.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the agreements, invoices and proposal as presented and authorize the administration to sign the appropriate documents and submit payments as shown.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Cost/Yr</u>
Amplified IT	<a href="#">Google Workspace for Education – G Suite Enterprise</a>	1	\$7,536.00
Gov Connection	<a href="#">Adobe Creative Cloud Enterprise</a>	1	\$12,300.00
Raptor Technologies	<a href="#">Raptor Visitor Management System – 5 Buildings</a>	2	\$2,825.00
Blackboard Inc	<a href="#">Blackboard Community Engagement (Website, Connect, App)</a>	3	\$13,900.00
GoGuardian	<a href="#">GoGuardian Teacher, GoGuardian Admin</a>	1	\$14,760.00
Navigate360, LLC	<a href="#">Navigate Prepared – 5 Buildings</a>	1	\$2,500.00
Barton Assoc Inc.	<a href="#">Invoice - Engineering Services for HS Boiler</a>	1	1,049.28
Roofing Res, Inc.	<a href="#">Roof Assessment &amp; Infrared Survey</a>	1	9,950.00

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush  
 Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.  
 Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Dr. Roberts said he conferred with Mr. Roush regarding the roof assessment and Mr. Roush believes the assessment and estimate are fair.

### **13.p. Recommended Approval of Agreement with Care Solace**

Dr. Abigail Leonard, Supervisor of Ancillary Services, has reviewed a proposed Service Agreement with Care Solace. Care Solace provides a web-based navigation system to assist its school district clients and the districts' students and parents in locating and connecting with mental health treatment providers. A copy of the agreement is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the Service Agreement with Care Solace as presented and sign the agreement upon final solicitor review.

Motion by Deihl Roush seconded

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Dr. Roberts shared that Care Solace will connect families and students to valuable mental health resources and services which will help to bridge the disconnect between resources and providers and will be a very useful service to students, families and community members.

Mr. Wardle asked how students and families are referred to this service and Dr. Roberts responded that a link will be available on our website for private inquiry.

### **14. New Business - Information Item**

#### **14.a. Tenure Status Recommendation**

The following professional employee has completed the required years of service as a temporary professional employee and has earned tenure based on satisfactory performance: Jana Barrick

Additional information regarding the professional employee has been prepared by Mrs. Clarissa Nace, Middle School Principal.

#### **14.b. PSBA Charter Task Force Report**

PSBA recently completed a report on Charter Schools in Pennsylvania and the inequities that exist with other public schools. [Link to Report.](#)

#### **14.c. Acknowledgement of Donation**

The administration accepted a generous donation from Darren and Bethann Sellers of Netherby Lane, Carlisle for the High School MDS Classroom. Included were:

1. Evolv Easy Stand stander with tray
2. Up 'n Free walker by Easy Walking
3. Crocodile walker R82 w/ arm prompts
4. Rifton R130 youth tricycle with basket & large seat
5. Lightening Stroller w/ head rest & foot pedals by Stealth Mobility
6. Permamobil C300 power wheelchair

### **15. Discussion Item**

## **16. Future Board Agenda Items**

None

## **17. Board Reports**

### **17.a. District Improvement Committee - Mr. Over, Mr. Myers**

Mr. Myers shared that a Virtual Town Hall Meeting was held on May 19 to discuss next year's starting options. Approximately 60% participated by providing a response. Dr. Roberts shared there will be an effort to target anyone who hasn't already responded.

Mr. Myers asked about the plan to start kindergarten students on half days and Dr. Roberts explained the House concept to evaluate kindergarten students before assigning a classroom teacher. Mr. Piper asked if students would attend the House process in their home elementary building assignment and Dr. Roberts confirmed that students will attend their home elementary building.

### **17.b. Athletic Committee - Mr. Deihl, Mr. Wardle, Mr. Myers**

No report

### **7.c. Vocational-Technical School - Mr. Piper, Mr. Wardle**

Mr. Piper shared that Mr. Lindsey, Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services reported that the Culinary Arts students completed a Community Service Project on May 24, by providing food to the homeless under the Mullberry Street Bridge in Harrisburg.

Mr. Lindsey also reported that the Vo-Tech will be offering Program Information Camps August 9 – 12 from 8:30 to 11:30 am for rising 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. An e-mail blast will be going out to all school districts on how to apply for the program which has a nominal fee of \$20.00.

Mr. Bruhn reported that Vo-Tech is adopting a Health Care Pathways Curriculum for the 2021-2022 school year and are expecting approximately 150 students to be involved with 3 teachers staffing the program.

Mr. Adams and Ms. Monn presented a New Government and Civics Curriculum to the Personnel/Finance and Curriculum Committee to be implemented for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

Mr. Bruhn reported that the vo-tech will unveil the new name of the vo-tech prior to the June 28, meeting at the new sign. The new name will be Cumberland Perry Area Career and Technical Center.

### **17.d. Building and Property Committee - Mr. Roush, Mr. Piper, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Over**

No report

### **17.e. Finance Committee - Mr. Deihl, Mr. Piper, Ms. Hurley, Mr. Gutshall**

No report

**17.f. South Central Trust - Mr. Deihl**

No report

**17.g. Capital Area Intermediate Unit - Mr. Swanson**

Mr. Swanson shared that CAIU Reports are in the board folders and the next meeting will be June 24, 2021.

**17.h. Tax Collection Committee - Mr. Swanson**

No report

**17.i. Future Board Agenda Items**

**17.j. Superintendent's Report**

May Monthly Enrollment Report

Dr. Fry shared that it is not often you get to do your dream job and he has had that pleasure for the past 16 years. He thanked Board Members for taking a chance on a young guy and trusting him to lead this school district. Dr. Fry said he has been spoiled by wonderful people on the school board who have shared a strong sense of family. He was asked to help increase the value of a Big Spring School District education and said he believes we've done that together and a sense of pride has grown among students, teachers, and the community.

Dr. Roberts thanked Dr. Fry on behalf of our students and staff and said Dr. Fry has been modest about his accomplishments; and that his accomplishments are many.

Mr. Swanson said the Board did the right thing in choosing Dr. Fry and presented him with a gift certificate to his favorite restaurant and an Ever Always Strong Bulldog Wall Art.

## 18. Meeting Closing

### 18.a. Business from the Floor

Mr. Wardle shared that he walked the halls in high school with Dr. Fry having no idea their future would involve education and bring them back together. He Dry Fry should learn to relax and enjoy his family.

Mr. Over stated that Dr. Fry will be missed and said there was a big change since he started and he's done a great job. Mr. Over also thanked all teachers for their service in such a difficult school year.

Ms. Hurley said she is Big Spring Proud and appreciates Dr. Fry's work and wishes him well.

Mr. Gutshall said he never had any doubt from the very first interview that Dr. Fry was going to lead us to where we are today. He said we hired a very special man and will miss Dr. Fry.

Mr. Piper thanked Dr. Fry for always being a phone call away and said there were many, many phone calls over the years. Mr. Piper said he appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Board with Dr. Fry.

Mr. Myers said he has been pleased to be a small part of the success and knows that as the torch is passed, Dr. Roberts will keep things rolling along.

Mr. Roush thanked Dr. Fry and told him to enjoy retirement.

Mr. Deihl said he joined the Board as a write-in candidate and before he knew it was welcomed by Dr. Fry to his first meeting and has had a lot of fun serving with so many good people. He said Dr. Fry has worked endlessly to put forth a great service to the community.

Mr. Swanson said when Dr. Fry was originally interviewed for the position, someone on the committee asked what Big Spring could do to make our students more proud of Big Spring and Dr. Fry answered...hire me as your superintendent. Mr. Swanson said truer words have never been spoken.

### 18.b. Public Comment Regarding Future Board Agenda Items

### 18.c. Adjournment

Motion by Deihl seconded Roush

Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, Piper, Over, Hurley, Myers, Wardle, Gutshall and Roush.

Motion carried unanimously. 9 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm, **Monday, June 7, 2021.**

Next scheduled meeting is: **Monday June 21, 2021.**

  
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