



*Special Board Meeting*

*Board Room*

*July 27, 2021*

Fruitport Community Schools  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**  
Tuesday, July 27, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.  
Board Room

**AGENDA**

- I. CALL to ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- IV. GENERAL BOARD BUSINESS**
  - 1. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2021 (attachment IV-1)
  - 2. Approve Candidate Selections for Superintendent Interviews (attachment IV-2)
  - 3. Other
- V. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC\***
- VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**\*Time is provided for members of the audience to address the Board of Education regarding any topic including items on the agenda. The board is providing one opportunity for the public to comment during the meeting. Members of the audience may wish to bring issues to the Board of Education for board consideration. Time limits may be placed if a large number of individuals would like to address the board.**



This was an in-person meeting. However, the public was invited to connect to Zoom from their computer, tablet, or smartphone to view the board meeting.

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Meeting ID: 810 5327 1012

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- I. The Regular meeting of the Board of Education was **called to order** at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Dave Hazekamp.
- II. The **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was recited.
- III. **ROLL CALL:** Present –Elroy Buckner, Tim Burgess, Kris Cole, Susan Franklin, Dave Hazekamp, and Steve Kelly (Zoom, viewing only). Absent - Jill Brott.

#### IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Item 21-118. MOTION by Cole, SECOND by Buckner to approve the agenda as presented.  
MOTION CARRIED 5-0

#### V. **PRESENTATIONS**

Public Safety Director, Brian Michelli thanked Bob Szymoniak for his time working together and positive interactions over the years. He presented Bob with a retirement gift.

Retired Superintendent, Ron Veldman introduced himself to the Board of Education, staff and community members. He spoke about his work in public education.

Water Resources Commissioner, Brenda Moore and Engineer, Dan Fredricks presented the Board with information on a potential North Point Drain. They explained the need for a better drainage system in nearby neighborhoods and asked Fruitport Community Schools to be a partner in the plan. It was agreed that they will meet and discuss the scope of the project with the district's architects.

#### VI. **COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

#### VII. **REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None.

## **VIII. SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

None.

## **IX. CONSENT AGENDA**

Item 21-119. MOTION by Cole, SECOND by Buckner to approve the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. Approval of Truth and Taxation Hearing Minutes of June 28, 2021
2. Approval of Organizational Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2021
3. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2021
4. Acceptance of Bills, Monthly Financial Report, and ACH Transactions
5. Acceptance of Student Activity Summary Report
6. Acceptance of Credit Card and Utilities Report
7. Approval of Capital Projects Progress Report
8. Approval of the Personnel Report

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

## **X. GENERAL BOARD BUSINESS**

1. Discussion Regarding Next steps in the Superintendent Search.

Item 21-120. MOTION by Cole, SECOND by Franklin to approve the hiring of Ron Veldman as interim superintendent with a salary to be negotiated at a later time.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

2. Second and Final Reading of Thrun Board Policies.

Item 21-121. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Burgess to approve the second and final reading of Thrun Board Policies to replace NEOLA policies as presented.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

3. School Resource Officer Contract Renewal.

Item 21-122. MOTION by Cole, SECOND by Buckner to approve the agreement with Fruitport Township to place a School Resource Officer on school grounds when school is in session as presented.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

## **XI. BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Report of committee meeting held July 12, 2021.

Elroy Buckner reported on a Business and Finance Committee meeting held July 12, 2021. Dave Hazekamp, Elroy Buckner, Kris Cole, Mark Mesbergen and Bob Szymoniak were present. The committee discussed: Board Policy, Property, and Bargaining.

## **XII. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Report of committee meeting held July 7, 2021.

Tim Burgess reported on a Personnel Committee meeting held July 7, 2021. Dave Hazekamp, Tim Burgess, Steve Kelly (via Zoom) and Bob Szymoniak were present. The committee discussed: Board Policies.

**XIII. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Report of committee meeting held July 14, 2021.  
Susan Franklin reported on a Student Affairs Committee meeting held July 14, 2021. Dave Hazekamp, Susan Franklin and Bob Szymoniak were present. The committee discussed: Board Policies and the anticipated County Drain Proposal.

**XIV. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

Kris Cole shared that Mona Shores would be using the Fruitport Robotic team as a mentor. He also was glad to hear Lauren Maus was hired. She will be an asset to the district.

**XV. AGENDA ITEMS for FUTURE MEETINGS & SCHEDULING OF ANY SPECIAL MEETINGS**

1. Business and Finance Committee will meet August 9, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.
2. Personnel Committee will meet August 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
3. Student Affairs Committee will meet August 11, 2021 at 12:30 p.m.
4. Tentative Special Meeting, Tuesday, July 27 @ 6:00 pm

**XVI. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None.

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

Item 21-123. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Cole to adjourn.  
MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Franklin  
Acting Board Secretary

Maribeth Clarke  
Recording Secretary

**BOARD ACTION REQUEST FORM**

**Meeting Date:** July 27, 2021

To: Board of Education

Attachment # IV-2

From: Mark Dobias

**Subject to be Discussed and Policy Reference:**

Approve Candidate Selections for Superintendent Interviews.

**Background Information:**

As the Board of Education searches for a new superintendent it is committed to finding an excellent candidate to lead our district and to meet the challenges the future will bring. The Board of Education has received and reviewed application materials from all candidates as well as a list of Top Tier candidate based on screening by the search consultant.

**Financial Impact:**

**Recommended Action:**

Approve superintendent candidates to interview as presented.

**Action Taken:**

**Vote:** \_\_\_ Brott      \_\_\_ Buckner      \_\_\_ Burgess      \_\_\_ Cole      \_\_\_ Franklin  
         \_\_\_ Hazekamp      \_\_\_ Kelly