

ACCA Governing Board August 26, 2020 Virtual Meeting 12:00 p.m.

Special Board Meeting Minutes

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Tom Gaus, Board President at 12:01 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Roll was taken by Helenthal:

Present: Tom Gaus, Kevin Lacey, Matt Miller, Audrey Sikula

Absent: Rita McElfresh

2. Recognition of Visitors: Shannon Lusk, Nichole Helenthal, James Hudson, Lori Wood

3. Business of the Executive Director/Assistant Director:

Lusk asked the Board to accept the resignation of Social Studies Teacher and Dean of Students, Brian Burkhart (effective Aug 1, 2020). Lusk stated that Burkhart called her at the end of July 2020 and resigned verbally over the phone, stating that he was seeking other employment elsewhere. Lusk stated after numerous attempts to retrieve a resignation letter from Burkhart, he failed to respond to her requests. No resignation letter was provided. The Governing Board acknowledged Lusk's efforts, and Gaus moved to motion to accept the resignation of Brian Burkhart, from the Social Studies Position. Lacey motioned and Sikula seconded the motion. All were in favor 4-0. The motion carried.

Lusk recommended to the Board that Andrew McCoy, graduate of Akron University, be hired as the 2020-2021 Social Studies Teacher on a one-year contract (\$30,000) with benefits. Lusk recommended to hire Susan Miller, ACCA High School graduate for an Educational Aide position at a rate of \$65 per day, and Lauren Keplinger as a Student Monitor (to be used if needed for help in the office) at a rate of \$35 per day. Gaus moved to motion to accept Lusk's recommendation to hire McCoy, Miller, and Keplinger, Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded the motion. All were in favor, 4-0. The motion carried.

Lusk recommended the approval of three service contracts. Lusk recommended that the previous Summit Building Contract for cleaning 1x per week, be replaced by a contract stating that Summit will clean the building 2x per week at a rate of about \$600 a month (Helenthal said she would check on the exact amount). Due to COVID guidelines Helenthal and Lusk felt that this was in the school's best interest. Lusk recommended that the Ashland Public Transportation contract be approved (the contract is a little over 12 months/ a rate of \$27 each way per day for the school year). Lusk also recommended that the Odysseyware Contract be renewed for one-year, but upgraded to a "full site license", allowing an unlimited amount of students to log on at any given time. Lusk stated that it was necessary due to the uncertainty of COVID and would be necessary if the school were forced to go fully remote. The contract for one-year amounts to \$16,000. Gaus moved to motion to approve all 3 contracts recommended by Lusk; Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded the motion. All were in favor 4-0. The motion carried to approve all 3 contracts.

Lusk recommended the removal of Maria Markakis as primary legal counsel from Peter Kalil & Markakis. Gaus agreed that this would be a good idea. Lusk recommended that the ACCA Governing Board and ACCA as a whole, be primarily represented by legal counsel, Adam Schira, from Dickerson & Wright. Gaus moved to motion to no longer use Peter Kalil & Markakis as primary legal counsel and hire Adam Schira of Dickerson & Wright as primary legal counsel, Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded that motion. All were in favor 4-0. The motion carried.

Lusk asked to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Gaus moved to motion, to enter Executive Session, Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded the motion. All were in favor 4-0. The motion carried and Executive Session was entered at 12:24 pm. Gaus moved to motion to exit Executive Session at 12:30 pm, Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded the motion. All were in favor 4-0. Executive Session was exited at 12:30 pm.

4. Business of the Treasurer

Monthly Financial Reports (July/Aug2020) - Hudson presented the monthly financial reports. He stated that we are looking good moving forward. Negative cash funds in cash funds, but those will change once there are cash payouts. Some of the funds will be charged back to the 21st Century Grant, and all should be okay. Hiring of new teachers and insurance will have a positive impact on general fund. Gaus asked if there would be money to add more hours to the School Liaison position in which the Mental Health and Recovery Board provided 10 hours to the school at no cost. Hudson interjected, and asked if it was Steve Stone and gaus replied yes. Hudson said he would speak to Steve Stone about this. Gaus moved to motion to approve the monthly financial reports, Lacey motioned, and Sikula seconded the motion for approval. All were in favor 4-0. The motion carried.

5. Sponsor Update:

Lori Wood (OSSP) reminded Lusk and Helehtnal about Title IX Training, Wood noted that ACCA has an amazing administrative team working hard for the district and its students. Wood reminded Lusk and Helenthal about State of Emergency (Remote) Learning Attendance policy changes for all remote/hybrid students. Also, get with your legal counsel about drafting a policy about students who end up having COVID and a notification procedure. Contact Wood if there is any violence or vandalism at school, as there have been outbreaks in many Community Schools all over the State of Ohio.

Lusk mentioned that a Special Board Meeting will be held on September 3, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Gaus moved for a motion to adjourn, Lacey motioned for adjournment, and Sikula seconded the motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m. by Tom Gaus, 2020 Board President.

ACCA Board Chairperson

09/23/2020 Date

ACCA Treasurer

Date

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