

**REGULAR MEETING
EVERGREEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUGUST 16, 2021 7:00PM**

President Nora Kiefer called the meeting to order. Members in attendance were Don Smith, Matt Vaculik, Zach Murry, Jason Miller, and Nora Kiefer.

President Nora Keifer asked if anyone wished to add, delete, or separate any items of the consent agenda as proposed. Two items were added under Personnel: Item D and F.

Don Smith moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the meeting agenda for the Regular Board meeting on August 16, 2021.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried. **91-21**

Matt Vaculik moved, supported by Zach Murry, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on July 19, 2021.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer
Nayes:

Motion Carried **92-21**

CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent:

- Ms. Sheila Roberts: Letter of Resignation, effective 8.6.2021
- Senatorial Citation to Macy Chamberlain for achieving All Ohio Team Honorable Mention Division 3 in Softball, from Senator Theresa Gaverone.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

FINANCIAL

Treasurer Brian Carroll reviewed the July financials including the Cash Reconciliation, Financial Summary, Cash Summary, Disbursement Summary, General Fund Graph, and Payroll and Benefits Graph.

Approved the following advances:

- \$50,000 from 001-7410-921: Advances to 300-5210: Athletic Department
- \$50,000 from 001-7410-921: Advances to 006-5210: Food Service

Accepted the following donations:

- \$100 anonymous donation to 018-9220: Student Assistance Fund.

Approved the following federal grants for the 2021 - 2022 school year (FY22):

- ESSER II - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief: \$379,814.33
- ESSER III - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief: \$853,614.92

Approved Permanent Appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Zach Murry moved, supported by Jason Miller, to approve the preceding financial motions, reports, and other financial items.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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PERSONNEL

Accepted the following resignations:

- Sheila Roberts, Paraprofessional, effective August 6, 2021.

Approved Classified and Certified substitute lists provided and maintained by the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center (NwOESC) for the 2021 - 2022 school year.

Assignments will be made by the Superintendent and/or the Superintendent's designee.

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

Offered the following supplemental contracts for the 2021 - 2022 school year, pending the completion of all pupil activity permit requirements:

James Zoltowski	Head Softball Coach
Dylan Nicely	M.S. Wrestling Coach

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

Offered the following non-teaching one-year limited contract, effective at the start of the 2021 – 2022 school year:

- Elizabeth Zeiler, Paraprofessional
- Sarah Rogers, Paraprofessional

- Joe Blystone, Paraprofessional
- Jeff Abrams, Bus Driver

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy and agreements, with work assignments delegated by the Superintendent.

Approved the following High School & Middle School paid and/or volunteer event workers for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

- Tiffany Spurgeon

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

Approved an increase of 2 hours per day for Sue Szabo, Elementary Paraprofessional, as a result of increased student need effective at the start of the 2021 – 2022 school year.

*All other pay and benefits will be according to Board adopted policy.

As recommended by the Superintendent, Matt Vaculik moved, supported by Zach Murry, to approve the above listed personnel items.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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OTHER BUSINESS

Don Smith moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to authorize the superintendent to enter into agreements with accredited colleges and universities with Educational Preparation Programs for the purpose of allowing the placement of Education Preparation Students in our district schools for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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Jason Miller moved, supported by Zach Murry, to approve Nora Kiefer as the Evergreen Local Board of Education delegate, and Don Smith as the Evergreen Local Board of Education alternate to the OSBA Annual Business Meeting at the OSBA Capital Conference on November 8, 2021.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nayes:

Motion Carried

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Jason Miller moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to approve the following pricing for Fall High School Athletic Passes and for an annual, all sports family pass for the 2021 – 2022 school year (same as 2020 - 2021):

- Fall Season Sports Pass for Student - \$45
- Fall Season Sports Pass for Adult - \$65
- Fall Season Sports Pass for Family - \$200
- All Sports Family Pass (Fall, Winter, Spring) - \$350

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nays:

Motion Carried

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Matt Vaculik moved, supported by Don Smith, to enter into an agreement with Northwest Ohio Virtual Academy (NOVA) for licensing and/or an online learning instructor for the administration of certain virtual course materials at an estimated cost of \$5,800.00 for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer

Nays:

Motion Carried

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DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION

Superintendent Eric Smola informed the board of the following items:

Bus Route Change

- Lindsey Piskac will be transferring from a 2-hour bus route to a 4-hour bus route for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

Renovation and Expansion Update

- The project is progressing well. On the north end, interior walls are completed and the exterior walls will be completed soon. The south side has the footer poured and is prepared for the floor to be poured. We are looking at roofing options in hope we can get materials sooner to keep the project from hitting a standstill this fall. We have a progress meeting scheduled Tuesday, August 17th and we are expecting to receive a revised project schedule

Extracurricular / Co-Curricular Drug Testing Policy

- The Board has received a draft of a revised policy that would expand drug testing to all students involved in extra or co-curricular activities. We are open to your feedback on this draft policy.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Curriculum Director, Dolores Swineford reported on the following items:

Viking Virtual Academy Enrollment- 2021-2022

- As we begin the new school year, the Viking Virtual Academy will look a little different. Mr. Josh Martin will provide instructional support both virtually and through the NOVA platform. Special

education students will continue to receive their specialized designed instruction as stated in their IEP goals. Elementary and middle school students will complete content in English, mathematics, science, and social studies. At the high school level, VVA students will have the same or similar course offerings as their in-person instruction peers. The 2021-2022 VVA enrollment is 14 students (elementary: 8, middle school: 3, and high school: 3).

- The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and HB 110 provided a few additional changes to the Viking Virtual Academy. HB 110 mandated that online students must complete at least 910 hours of instruction for the school year. As a result of this mandate, VVA students will be required to log at least 25.25 hours per week in their courses (i.e., If a student is enrolled in 4 courses, they must complete at least 6.25 hours of instruction each week for that course.). Evergreen will be providing Chromebooks for all VVA students. Elementary students will receive printed workbooks when available. The VVA orientation was held virtually for families on Friday, August 13th. The orientation was recorded and distributed electronically to VVA families for later reference.

OhioMeans Jobs and Northwest State Partnership

- Evergreen Schools has partnered with OhioMeans Jobs and Northwest State Community College by offering a Manufacturing Skills Standards Council program for at-risk juniors and seniors. We have identified potentially 16 students for this program. We will be hosting an orientation meeting with students and families on Thursday, August 26th at 6PM in the high school media center. This yearlong program is fully funded through a grant and will not be an additional cost to the district. Northwest State will provide an instructor and all course related materials for students in the program.

What is the Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC) program? The program consists of four modules- Safety, Quality Practices and Measurement, Manufacturing Processes and Production, and Maintenance Awareness. One module will be covered each quarter. The modules will consist of four days of in-person instruction and 1 day of e-learning. During in-person instruction, students will have the opportunity to apply MSSC skills through hands-on activities. At the completion of each module, students will take an online certification exam. Students must attain a passing score for each module to receive the overall Certified Production Technician (CPT) certification certificate. If a student does not meet the achievement score for the module, they will have the opportunity to take the assessment again after being provided additional instruction. In addition to earning the CPT certification, students will earn 12 credits towards graduation. Based on the curriculum provided by Northwest State, students will earn high school credit in English, mathematics, social studies, and science. Evergreen students will also have the opportunity to gain employment experience in manufacturing after completing the program.

In addition to earning credit towards graduation, MSSC skills, and CPT certification, students have the opportunity to participate in leadership classes. The leadership classes are offered by OhioMeans Jobs six evenings throughout the school year. The leadership classes will cover soft skills such as creating a resume, interviewing, and other leadership skills. Students will be paid a minimum of \$10 per session or \$70 for completing all six leadership classes. Leadership classes will be held in Swanton and Wauseon.

- Curriculum Resources

- While our buildings and staff are ready to begin the new school year, several curriculum resources have not arrived. Curriculum resources were ordered late spring and early summer for the upcoming school year. The publishers indicated there is a paper shortage. Although we may not have all the print resources for the first day of school, teachers and students have access to digital resources.

September 3rd Professional Development Day

- On Friday, September 3rd, Evergreen staff will participate in a professional development day. This year's focus for professional development will be OTES 2.0 and strategic planning. OTES 2.0, an Ohio Department of Education initiative, is the teacher evaluation system that will be implemented this year. We are collaborating with the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center in providing professional development on OTES 2.0.
- The second focus for the September 3rd professional development day will be the strategic plan. This year, we will be updating our current strategic plan, The Viking Compass. Buildings will be completing the S.W.O.T. analysis to help in determining our next goals and strategies as a district. The S.W.O.T. analysis is the first step in revising Evergreen's strategic plan.

Superintendent Eric Smola reported on the following items:

We would like to acknowledge and thank Jason Leu, for his efforts to install the new carpeting in the M.S. office and Board of Education offices. His efforts expedited the process and saved the district money. We would also like to thank the entire maintenance and custodial staffs for all of their efforts to have the buildings looking great and ready to receive students, thank you.

On behalf of the Evergreen Youth Association, we are reaching out to the villages and townships in the district to explore partnership opportunities. District officials have presented at Lyons and Berkey so far. We plan to address the Metamora Village Council at their September meeting. Our goal is to gain a commitment from our local villages/townships in three areas: use of fields/grounds, maintenance of fields/grounds, and use of buildings to ultimately expand EYA participation and impact.

We continue to work with the Evergreen Community Library to set up a library locker on campus to serve the community. The locker allows for books and movies to be checked out and returned outside of regular business hours. The library will cover all set up costs. We are working with legal council to formulate a lease agreement to place the locker on district property.

BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Jason Miller moved, supported by Matt Vaculik, to adjourn the August 16, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Evergreen Local Board of Education.

Ayes: Murry, Miller, Smith, Vaculik, Kiefer
Nays:

Motion Carried

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Nora Kiefer, Board President

Brian Carroll, Treasurer