

## **BOARD NOTES: August 17, 2021 5:30pm, Regular Board Meeting, Sunset Ridge School**

*Items Approved: 7/13/21 Consent Agenda, 7/13/21 Closed Session Minutes, 7/13 Remote Participation  
2021-2022 Return to School Plan  
Voluntary Employee Benefits Renewal  
Resignation of Christina Phillips (Teaching Assistant)  
Employment of Karen Galfano (Part-Time Middle School Science Teacher)*

**ROLL CALL (5:30pm):** Ms Alpert Knight, Mr Welch, Ms Joseph, Mr Subeck, Mr Zeidler present  
**Approval: Remote Participation (Mr Dotzler)**

**CONSENT AGENDA (5:31pm):** The Board **approved** the Consent Agenda, including July 13<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting minutes, and monthly bills and salaries.

**COMMUNICATIONS (5:32pm):** FOIA Robert Nelson for certain vendor contracts related to print/copy. Board Newsletter published late July and all feedback welcome.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (5:33pm):**

**Strategic Planning (5:33pm)** Two board members needed to join leadership of strategic planning.

**School Year Planning (5:38pm)** Return to school plan approved by BoE not only as symbolic gesture but also due to discipline implications if non-compliance were to become an issue.

[Highlights](#) (5:40pm)

[FAQ](#) (6:07pm)

[Comprehensive Plan](#) (6:22pm)

**Approval: Return to School Plan (6:25pm)**

**2021-2022 Enrollment (6:26pm)** 480 total students is the highest in a long time (~220 at Middlefork, ~260 at Sunset Ridge). Long-term staffing plan being monitored (e.g. - 3 vs 4 sections in class, 20 student class).

**2021-2022 Staffing Updates (6:28pm)** Science teacher found. 3 vacant teaching assistant positions.

### **School and Department Reports (6:30pm)**

*Education (6:30pm)* Summer curriculum projects, included proactive behavior support under SEL, moving to discussion of all students vs just reacting to incidents. Partnership w parents and community critical.

*Facilities (6:41pm)* Landscaping vendor will shift to providing services on Saturdays.

### **NEW BUSINESS (6:42pm)**

**Audience Comments/Public Participation (6:42pm)** – no public comment or submitted letters

**Board Open Discussion (6:43pm)** – no comments

**Approval: Voluntary Employee Benefits Renewal (6:44pm)**

**Internal Reports (6:45pm)**

Return to School Task Force – see previous discussion, next meeting Sept 15, 2021

Finance Facilities – Next meeting Oct 12, 2021

Education – Next meeting September 14, 2021

Policy – Next meeting September 8, 2021

**External Relations (6:46pm)**

IASB – several policies come up for renewal on the 5-year refresh cycle

PTO – no major report

True North / NSSSED – no material report

Park District – Club Dolphin and Pre-K options for before and after-care available

Village of Northfield – Happ Rd and Bosworth bridge plans in progress, high vaccination rate of those eligible,

Village board meetings shifted to no longer conflict with School board meetings

Foundation Fund – back to school event for students, potential for capital improvement

**CLOSED SESSION (6:51pm):**

- To Review Closed Session Minutes from July 13, 2021
- To Consider Information Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees or Legal Counsel
- To Discuss Matters Related to Individual Students
- To Discuss Potential Litigation
- To Discuss Collective Bargaining

**ACTION ITEMS FOR BOARD APPROVAL (7:12pm):**

- Closed Session Minutes from July 13, 2021
- Employment of Karen Galfano (Part-Time Middle School Science Teacher)
- Resignation of Christina Phillips (Teaching Assistant)

Official meeting minutes will be posted after approval at the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Regular Board meeting.