REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Brockton School District Office Wednesday, October 9, 2024 5:30 p.m.

Present: Board Chair Sammy Nygard, Trustee Terry Rattling Thunder, Trustee Olivia Johnson, Trustee Rae Jean Belgarde, Trustee Wilfred Lambert, Superintendent Josh Patterson, Principal Evan Cummins, Assistant Principal RaeAnne Edmisten, and District Clerk Cheri' Nygard

Also Present: Jim Dahlberg

1. CALL TO ORDER - SALUTE TO FLAG

Chairman Sammy Nygard called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time for comment on public matters that are not on the agenda. Members of the audience are encouraged to briefly address the trustees on an issue that is not on the agenda. The Chair of the Board will seek comments from the audience on significant items as they occur. Public matters do not include any pending legal matters, private personnel issues or private student issues. Please do not attempt to address such issues at this time or you will be ruled out of order.

2A Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

3. REPORTS - Information

3A Principal Report - Evan Cummins

Principal Evan Cummins reported on attendance, Yondr Cell Phone pouches, discipline matters, and current and upcoming events. Wilfred asked about the results of the Cell Phone policy: better engagement in the classroom, more talking amongst the students among other students and teachers, less disruptions in the school day, attitudes are better about the cell phone policy and making peace with not having their phone during the day time. Good option to have ISS this year and is way more effective.

3B Athletic Director Report - Emerson Young

Emerson Young, Athletic Director, reported on the football, volleyball, and cross-country season. JH basketball starts on Monday. It was a consensus of the board to allow the football team to stay overnight in Billings for the game in Pryor.

Jim Dalhberg was present to discuss the new bus rules. Will seat belts required? There is no rule mandating it and the board would like to leave it as optional. Limited food on the bus and water only. Maybe put together a bus conduct list for the handbook.

The board would like Emerson to see if he can set up a driving range for the golf program.

3C Superintendent Report – Josh Patterson

Josh Patterson, Superintendent, report on the Facility Projects & Maintenance for the front entrance and library. The NIISA Conference is coming up. Please let the office know if any board member would like to attend.

The Superintendent discussed the Montana Youth Challenge Academy and questioned how to treat the students if they complete the program and get their hi-set. We do get ANB even with participating in MYC. Would the board allow them to receive a Brockton diploma and participate in the graduation ceremony? There was concern of having 16-year old students graduate, however they could still have to meet the credit requirement. The current policy says the board can waive requirements for graduation. If a student didn't have enough credits to graduate from Brockton, we could still let them participate in the graduation ceremony. The board thought we should look at other schools to see what other schools are doing. This topic will put on the agenda for the next meeting. Potentially, each student will have different circumstances.

The board would like the Superintendent to look into possibly leasing the lot adjacent to the District Office and to work with B.P. Construction to install plumbing hook-ups for the new lot donated from Roy Emerson.

4. CONSENT ITEMS - Board Action

The Board of Trustees reviewed the September 10, 2024 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes And warrant registers and claims against the district

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the September 10, 2024

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion: Made by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the Elementary and High

School Districts #55-55F Warrants and Claims. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

5. PERSONNEL – RETIREMENTS, RESIGNATIONS, & HIRES

5A Retirements, Resignations

Superintendent Patterson accepted the resignation of Jennifer Boxer

Substitute Teacher

5B Hires - Classified Staff

Andrew Dethman

Sub Bus Driver

Mikayla Yuzicappi

Elementary Paraprofessional

Add: Carrie Fisher

SPED Paraprofessional

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to hire classified staff as presented and

pending satisfactory background checks. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

5C Hires - Student Workers

Rayaunna Track

Student Worker

Ava Lone Bear

Student Worker

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Belgarde to hire the recommended student

workers. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

5D Hires – Extracurricular

Angela Cheek

Student Council Sponsor

Helen Ketcher

Senior Sponsor

Daisy Ramirez

Junior Sponsor

Marites Segubience

Co-Sophomore Sponsor

Garnet Dionaldo

Co-Sophomore Sponsor

Ray Barron

7th & 8th Grade Sponsor

Sunny Decoteau

Freshman Sponsor

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the extracurricular hires

except to table the Senior Sponsor. No further discussion

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTION PLAN

Superintendent Patterson recommended the board approve the School District Action Plan that was put together by the Brockton Leadership Team.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the School District Action

Plan. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

7. SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PAY

Discuss was held regarding the Substitute Teacher pay rate and rates from nearby districts were compared. Superintendent Patterson recommended the board to increase the Substitute Teacher pay rate to \$17 per hour.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve to increase the Substitute Teacher pay rate to \$17 per hour. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

8. INDEPENDENCE BANK STUDENT ACCOUNTS SIGNATURE CARD

Superintendent Patterson recommended the board approve to add Cheri' Nygard as a signatory to the Brockton Student Account with Independence Bank.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve to add Cheri' Nygard as a signatory to the Brockton Student Account with Independence Bank. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT ACTIVITY BUS

Harlow's Bus and Truck sales provided a quote for a 2024 Freightliner to replace the 2007 Motor Coach Activity Bus. The bus is priced at \$332,500. The funding would come from Bus Depreciation for \$100,000 and Elementary and High School Impact Aid funds for the remainder. Harlow's will trade-in our old bus on a consignment sale.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Belgarde to approve to purchase a replacement activity bus as presented. No further discussion.

Vote: All for none opposed. Motion carried.

10. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION REGARDING NON-RESIDENT STUDENT ## APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT - EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION POSSIBLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-3-203(3), MCA.

The district received a request for two out-of-district students for the board to discuss.

Motion: Made by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Lambert to go into executive session at 6:47 p.m. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

Chairman Nygard called the meeting back to order at 6:49 p.m.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Olivia Johnson to approve the request for the nonresident student to enroll. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SUCCESS FOR ALL FOUNDATION, INC. 3-YEAR READING CONTRACT

The district received a Title I School Support Grant for the Elementary and have funds available to purchase the Success for All Targeted Reading Intervention programs for Kindergarten "Kinder Phonics" and 1st-6th grade "Success for All Tutoring." The cost includes professional development, instructional materials, and online subscription. The plan is to implement these targeted intervention programs with all K-6 students beginning in late October or early November. Intervention would take place Monday -Thursday for 30 mins per day. Total Year One Program Fees are \$30,084.30 and will be paid by the Title I School Support Grant, Total Year Two Program Fee will be \$17,000 and Total Year Three Program Fee will be \$17,000. Superintendent Patterson recommended the board approve a 3-year contract with the Success for all Foundation for \$64,084.30.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve a 3-year contract with the Success for all Foundation for \$64,084.30. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GYM FLOOR REFINISHING CONTRACT WITH WESTERN SPORT FLOORS, LLC

The district received a quote from Western Sport Floors, LLC for \$6,475.20 to refinish the gym floor the summer of 2025. Superintendent Patterson recommended the board approve the contract to be able to get on the schedule.

Motion: Made by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Wilfred to approve the contract with Western Sports Floors, LLC to be able to get on the schedule. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

13. CONSIDER RESOLUTION TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Section 20-6-604, Montana Code Annotated, provides in pertinent part: (1) Whenever the trustees of a district determine that a site, building, or any other real or personal property of the district is or is about to become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable, or unsuitable for the school purposes of the district, the trustees may sell or otherwise dispose of the real or personal property. If a decision to sell or dispose of property is made, the trustees shall adopt a resolution to sell or otherwise dispose of the district real or personal property because it is or is about to become abandoned, obsolete, undesirable, or unsuitable for the school purposes of the district. (2) The resolution shall become effective fourteen (14) days after the resolution notice is posted in the newspaper of general circulation in the District.

The following property has been found to be obsolete, undesirable or unsuitable for school purpose and will be advertised for sale and sold if a qualified buyer makes an acceptable offer to the District: 2007 Motor Coach

Outdated technology equipment and office furniture

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Olivia to approve a resolution to dispose of property as presented. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

14. CONSIDER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BANK OF MONTREAL FOR PURCHASING **CARDS**

The Board of Trustees of the Brockton School District 55-55F has the authority to enter into an agreement with the Bank of Montreal to secure Procurement Cards for each authorized employee of the school district under such terms and conditions as approved by the Board. Superintendent Patterson recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Superintendent and School Business Manager to execute a p-Card program agreement on its behalf. A motion is needed.

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

15. ADJOURN

ATTEST:

Motion: Made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. No further discussion.

Vote: All for, none opposed. Motion carried.

Sammy Nygard, Board Chair

Cheri' Nygard, District Clerk