

NORTH RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200
Special Board Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2021
5:30 PM
In the Library/Zoom Session

FLAG SALUTE

I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Banas called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM. Board Members Present: Chairman Jim Banas; Vice-Chairman Bob Sholes; Legislative Representative Carolyn Lande; Director Julie Miles; and Director Deborah Koehn. Others Present: Acting Superintendent Pam Pratt.

II. ZOOM/ VISITORS: Dan Brown and three zoom visitors.

III. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA:

Chairman Banas made a motion to add Public Commentary before Old Business, New Business, and before Adjournment. Director Miles second the motion. The motion was 4 I's and one nay.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

No comments

V. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) Board discussion and vote on Interim Superintendent. The District has an "Acting" Superintendent, Pam Pratt, and her contract for Acting Superintendent expires on June 30. The District then requires an Interim Superintendent. With the timing allotted for McPherson & Jacobson, they could not have an Interim by that time. Pam has offered to withdraw her Retirement application and stop her Social Security. Per the RCW's that allows the Business Manager to be an Interim Superintendent and Acting Superintendent, she is willing to be the Interim Superintendent on a month-to-month basis. Pam further stated that is would be willing to stay on until

June 30, 2022, if needed. Pam said that she would be saving the District a substantial amount of money because she is also willing to continue her role as the Business Manager. She is asking for a stipend of One thousand dollars a month in addition to her Business Manager's pay and benefits. If the Board voted yes on Pam staying on, she would withdraw the Payroll/Admin position from the Daily World, Edjobsnw.org, and the newsletter. Pam further stated that this is her solution to bringing in more revenue to the District. She says that she loves this School and would like to see it succeed. Pam also stated that she requested this meeting to remove the old Superintendent's name on the School's bank accounts and have her name added if the Board approved her Interim Superintendent's contract.

Chairman Banas stated that he would reach out to McPherson & Jacobson to start the Superintendent/Principal search in September or October. He further said that he would like to hold a Townhall to seek their opinions on how they feel regarding the Superintendent position. A full-time Superintendent and a part-time Principal or a Part-time Superintendent-full time Principal, or one position like the District has always had in the past.

Pam stated that she would contact ESD regarding someone that would be willing to evaluate the Certificated staff.

The chairman asks Pam to write up a new contract with what was discussed and send it to the School's attorney for review and then present the agreement at the June 21, 2021, Regular Board Meeting.

Director Lande offered a motion to approve Pam Pratts's offer to move forward with her as the Interim Superintendent until the District decided the who, what, where, and when. Also, the Board would allow

thirty (30) calendar days of written notice before hiring a new Superintendent/Principal. Director Koehn seconds the motion. Vote by Roll call: Chairman Mr. Banas, I, Director Ms. Koehn, I, Director Ms. Lande, I, Director Ms. Miles, I, and Director Mr. Sholes, I. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

A Community Member thanked Pam for having the School's best interests at heart. Pam thanked the Community Member.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Washington LEA Academic and Student Well-being Recovery Plan. Director Sholes made a motion to approve the Washington LEA Academic and Student Well-being Recovery Plan. Director Miles seconds the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(B) WAIVER of credits for a Senior. Director Lande motioned to approve the waiver of two credits for a senior who qualified under the OSPI guidelines. Chairman Banas seconds the motion. The motion carries unanimously.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

There was no Public Commentary

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Director Koehn made a motion to adjourn at 6:28 PM. Director Miles seconds the motion. The motion carried unanimously.