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Board of Trustees – Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 26, 2020 – 11:00am

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Luke Muszkiewicz, Board Chair Siobhan Hathhorn, Board Vice Chair Sarah Sullivan, Past Board Chair	Terry Beaver, Trustee John McEwen, Trustee Jennifer McKee, Trustee Libby Goldes, Trustee Tyler Ream, Superintendent Josh McKay, Assistant Superintendent Barb Ridgway, Chief of Staff Stacy Collette, Human Resources Director Janelle Mickelson, Business Services Administrator Tim McMahon, Activities Director Pat Boles, Technology Administrator Charity Garrison, member of the public
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I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:00am by Committee Chair, Luke Muszkiewicz.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Plummer, a board member of Queen City Soccer Club, commented on Queen City Soccer Club's continued interest in using Sierra Park. On behalf of the Club, Ms. Plummer requested clarification on the use agreement for Sierra Park. Ms. Sullivan confirmed the board had received the email request for continued use from Queen City Soccer Club.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the May 12, 2020, Executive Committee meeting were approved with revisions.

IV. REVIEW OF THE MAY 26, 2020, BOARD WORK SESSION AGENDA

Ms. Collette provided some fundamental background on the School Age Child Care (SACC) program as it pertained to the action item on the evening's Work Session agenda. The Summer SACC

program was run and licensed as an official daycare. As such, the program had some specific guidelines for what services the program was able to provide both after school and during the summer. Ms. Collette said careful analysis was conducted in conjunction with local and state health officials, the CDC, and the State Department of Public Health and Human Services prior to making a decision on the temporary layoffs. The order applied to seven independent employees – site managers – and three 12-month employees. According to Ms. Collette, the temporary layoff path was chosen for two main reasons:

- 1. The Health Plan allows for general fund contributions for the 12-month employees during the layoff to keep them job attached.
- 2. The temporary provision allows the situation to be revisited if the district is once again able to offer services.

Mr. Muszkiewicz voiced his appreciation for the information prepared and provided by Ms. Collette.

Dr. Ream added this was not a SACC issue, it was a statewide childcare issue. Ms. Collette agreed, adding it was a national issue. She continued the requirements for supervision and safety for children and caregivers were significant.

Ms. Sullivan asked if there would be changes to the food services program over the summer. Dr. Ream answered Sodexo will continue with the current meal program through June and will move to the traditional summer meal program after the week of July 4.

Mr. Muszkiewicz said he had received a request to pull the April 28, 2020, work session agenda from the agenda.

Dr. Ream confirmed he would provide a Superintendent's Report.

V. BOARD COMMENTS

The were no board comments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22am by Mr. Muszkiewicz. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be June 9, 2020.