

WEST BRANCH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR SESSION

December 6, 2018

Members Present: Joseph M. Kovalcin, Melvin Smeal, Paul Carr, Don Yontosh via phone, Christina Brown, Thomas Veres

Members Absent: Larry Allen

Media Present: The Progress News

Administration Present: Nik Bisko, Allison Koleno, Michelle Dutrow, David Williamson, Erick Johnston

Others Present: Karen Krise, Kasi Woodring

**OPENING EXERCISES**

President Joseph Kovalcin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**BOARD REORGANIZATION**

Mr. Joe Kovalcin motioned, Mr. Don Yontosh seconded to nominate Mr. Chad Diviney for Temporary President.

Voice Roll Call: Mr. Kovalcin—yes; Mr. Veres—yes; Mr. Smeal—yes; Mr. Carr—yes; Mrs. Brown—yes; Mr. Seprish—yes; Mr. Yontosh – yes; Mr. Diviney – yes. 8—yes; 0—no.

The meeting was turned over to Mr. Diviney as the Temporary President.

**Board President**

Mr. Don Yontosh motioned to nominate Mr. Joe Kovalcin for Board President.

Mr. Mel Smeal, in the form of a motion, recommended to close nominations. Mr. Don Yontosh, seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to elect Mr. Joe Kovalcin as Board President. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

**Board Vice President**

Mr. Don Yontosh motioned to nominate Mr. Chad Diviney for Board Vice President.

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to close nominations. Mr. Paul Carr, seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to elect Mr. Chad Diviney as Board Vice President. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

Mr. Diviney turned the meeting over to Mr. Kovalcin.

### **CIU #10 Representative / Alternate**

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to appoint Mr. Melvin Smeal as CIU #10 Representative. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

### **CCCTC Representative / Alternate**

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to appoint Mr. Larry Allen as CCCTC Representative. Mr. Chad Diviney seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to appoint Mr. Christina Brown as CCCTC Representative Alternate. Mr. Chad Diviney seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

### **PSBA Liaison**

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to appoint Mr. Joe Kovalcin as PSBA Liaison. Mr. Mel Smeal seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

### **BOARD**

2019  
Meeting  
Dates

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the 2019 School Board Meeting Calendar. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 8-0-0.

D. Consiglio  
Solicitor

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to appoint David Consiglio as Solicitor to the District for the 2019 year. Mr. Mel Smeal seconded the motion and it was carried with a vote of 8-0-0.

### **PERSONNEL**

D. Ghaner  
Res.

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the resignation of Diane Ghaner, Personal Care Paraprofessional, effective December 7, 2018. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and they were carried with a vote of 8-0-0.

Dedicated  
Subs

Mr. Paul Carr, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the extension of the two dedicated substitute teacher positions to five days per week – for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year effective January 3, 2019 through Source4Teachers. Mr. Don Yontosh seconded the motion and it carried with a motion of 8-0-0.

### **FINANCE AND PURCHASE**

Erick Johnston reported that Cinda Hubler would be taking over for Kay Folmar as Tax Collector for Graham Township until the end of the year. Mary Beth Speigle will be taking over in January until the next election.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to adjourn the meeting 6:42 p.m. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 8-0-0.

Respectively Submitted,

Kasi Woodring  
Secretary to the Board of Education