

## North Harrison Community School Corporation

December 10, 2020

1. At 7:00 p.m. the board of trustees met in the North Harrison Middle School Cafeteria for regular meeting. Present were: Veronica Battista (virtual), Marla Adams, Steve Hanger, Kerry Ingle, and Gregg Oppel.
2. Mrs. Marla Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
3. Ms. Veronica Battista moved and Mr. Steve Hanger seconded the motion to approve the agenda for the December 10, 2020 meeting as presented with additions, corrections, or deletions.  
**Motion Passed 5-0.**  
Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes
4. Mr. Kerry Ingle moved and Mr. Gregg Oppel seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2020 Executive Session and Regular Meeting.  
**Motion passed 5-0.**  
Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes
5. Mr. Steve Hanger moved and Mr. Gregg Oppel seconded the motion to approve claim numbers 1109 through 1202 as presented.  
**Motion passed 5-0.**  
Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes
6. Mr. Gregg Oppel moved and Mr. Kerry Ingle seconded the motion to approve regular payrolls for December 11, 2020, December 25, and January 8, 2021 for payment.  
**Motion passed 5-0.**  
Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes
7. Mr. Steve Hanger moved and Mr. Kerry Ingle seconded the motion to approve the bank reconciliation from November 30, 2020.  
**Motion passed 5-0.**  
Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes
8. No Presentations
9. No Participation at Board Meeting

10. Mr. Kerry Ingle moved and Mr. Gregg Oppel seconded the motion to approve the following appointments:
  1. Khloe Stroud – Volunteer 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach – effective November 12, 2020.
  2. Skyler Wetzell – High School Boys Basketball Facilitator – effective December 4, 2020.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel- yes
11. Mr. Gregg Oppel moved and Ms. Veronica Battista seconded the motion to approve the recommendation that the Board approve payment of the Teacher’s Appreciation Grant according to Board Policy to all certified personnel as in past years.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel – yes
12. First Reading for approval of NEOLA Updates Vol. 33, No. 1 required by statute, legislative updates and federal law 1220,2370,2632,2700,3220,5130,5610,5895,6114,6325,8390,8400,8405,8462, 8600,8800,9700,5111.
13. Ms. Veronica Battista moved and Mr. Kerry Ingle seconded a motion to hire Josh Lees, North Harrison Elementary Instructional Assistant, effective December 14, 2020.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams – yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel – yes
14. Ms. Veronica battista moved and Mr. Steve Hanger seconded a motion to approve an increase in Tom Luther’s contract bus route of 4.0 miles a day. This would increase his route from 52.8 miles to 56.8 per day. This change is to be effective immediately.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams – yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel – yes
15. Board Communications

Mr. Kerry Ingle stated how proud he is of our staff and administration during this COVID season. Everyone has worked hard to keep community going. He also expressed his sadness at this being Mr. Gregg Oppel’s last meeting.

Mr. Steve Hanger said, Mr. Greg Oppel has been a member of this school community for many years. He has served this community well. He also stated that he has a big concern for our Middle and High School students in that standards are not being met virtually. We are doing the best we can do during this season.

Ms. Veronica Battista stated that all of our students have access to a chrome book. They should be able to connect and get assignments. Coming to school for in-person learning is better for kids. It will be odd to not have an Oppel as part of this administration. Gregg has been a great asset to our school community. We are very appreciative for all he has done for this community.

Mrs. Marla Adams stated she is very sorry we could not stream tonight’s Board Meeting. Virtual Teaching is very hard. Everyone is so appreciated. Thank you very much to Mr. Gregg Oppel for His dedication to this school community.

Mr. Gregg Oppel stated this is a bittersweet night. Many Oppel's have been active in tis School Community. As a child he attended school board meetings with his dad. It is so important to be Involved in the community. Board meeting participation is Democracy. He appreciates his Uncle Roger Oppel, who was a former board member, for all of his support during his time on the School Board. One of the reasons he originally ran for School Board was his brother Ken, former Transportation Director here at North Harrison Community School. He is very proud of this School Board for keeping taxes down while updating the Middle School and purchasing Chrome Books for each student. He is very proud of our teachers who go above and beyond for this community. Thank you to this board for working together, co-operating to make things work. Thank you to Gary Byrne for helping him understand the budget. And thank you to the community.

16. Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Lance Richards stated that this school closing is in the best interest of our community. We will continue to make decision to keep our community safe. Apologies to our parents for difficulties. We hope to return in January as scheduled. We will communicate with the Health Department to make the safest decision possible. Support from the community, staff and Board members during this time has been tremendous. And for Mr. Gregg Oppel, he has been a voice to rely on and a tremendous supporter.

Dr. Steve Hatton stated that due to internet problems we are transporting a small number of Students to school. We are also accommodating those with educational struggles. Virtual teachers Are doing a great job. They put in many hours to make this as successful as can be. He also stated that Mr. Gregg Oppel has always had an open mind and questioned administrators when clarity was needed.

17. Mr. Steve Hanger moved and Mr. Gregg Oppel seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 7:43 pm.

**Motion passed 5-0.**

Ms. Veronica Battista – yes  
Mrs. Marla Adams- yes  
Mr. Steve Hanger – yes  
Mr. Kerry Ingle – yes  
Mr. Gregg Oppel - yes

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