# Paris Consolidated School Board of Education Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 18, 2020 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by President Deanna Krumm at 6:35pm.

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance

- **3. Roll Call** President Deanna Krumm, Vice President Dennis Hrupka, Clerk Kristine Kordecki, Treasurer Colleen Belmont, Member Curt Nikula, and District Administrator Roger Gahart were all present for the meeting.
- **4.** Approval of Agenda A Kordecki/Belmont motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- **5.** Approval of Board Minutes A Hrupka/Kordecki motion was made to approve the February 19, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- **6. Approve Payment of Bills** A Kordecki/Nikula motion was made to approve the payment of bills totaling \$189,819.51. Motion carried 5-0.

## 7. Correspondence – None

8. Comments from the floor – None

## 9. Reports

**A.** Treasurer's Report – A Belmont/Kordecki motion was made to approve the February 2020 Treasurer's report. Motion carried 5-0.

## B. Administrator's Report -

This year has perhaps been our best school year yet. From the first day staff came in to prepare, then the first day with students, we have been on point, gaining positive momentum, and improving. We are right in the middle of a dynamic Literacy Unit on Australia, as well as preparation for our wonderful Paris School tradition, our PSO Spaghetti Supper. The closure of schools in Wisconsin on Friday brought us all into this situation where we face great uncertainty about our own personal wellness, the wellness of our students, and when we can get back to school. Back to normalcy.

It was heartbreaking today, and it will be heartbreaking tomorrow, to have our students and families walking into our building to pick up learning materials and resources, as well as student personal items, and walking right out. The trepidation of our families entering our loving school is palpable, and that hurts deeply. With that, families have demonstrated great flexibility and understanding as we face this together. I gave kids many "air hugs" today instead of our customary high fives, fist bumps, and smile filled conversations. I am certain that they know how much we all care about them and we cannot wait to have all of our students back in school, whenever that may be. It will be a joyful celebration!

We are a school so we are all about learning, and it is times like these when we learn the most about ourselves. I knew how amazing our staff was, but during this difficult time, our team here at Paris School has demonstrated unmatched collaboration, professionalism, passion, and compassion. We have pulled together in the past; however, we are now learning to pull closer together and better support one another to become stronger, both individually and as a team.

It is such a profound honor to work beside them.

I could not be more proud of our faculty, staff, students, and families as we all work together to get through these very difficult days.

Our Paris School Family will not only get through this, we will be far better for it.

#### **10.** Discussion

- A. Open Enrollment Update District Administrator, Roger Gahart, presented an update on the Open Enrollment applications to date.
- B. 2020-2021 Staffing Update There was no update at this time.
- **C. COVID-19 School Closure** District Administrator, Roger Gahart, gave an update on the COVID-19 changes that are occurring on a daily basis.

#### 11. Action

- A. Approval of 2020-2021 Bus Contract with Thomas Bus Service A Kordecki/Belmont motion was made to accept the 2020-21 bus contract with Thomas Bus Service as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
- **B.** Approval of Advance Pay for Hourly Employees During the School Closure A Kordecki/Belmont motion was made to approve advance pay for hourly employees during the school closure, with individual contracts for each hourly employee. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 12. Executive Session as exempt by Statute 19.82 and 19.85 (1)(c) -

- 1. c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee.
  - a. Individual employee employment
  - b. Individual employee compensation

At 8:04 a Kordecki/Hrupka motion was made to enter into Executive session. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:22 a Kordecki/Hrupka motion was made to adjourn Executive session. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 13. Executive Session Action – None

**14.** Adjournment – At 8:24 a Nikula/Kordecki motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted, Kristine Kordecki, Clerk Board of Education

Kristina Klabunde Recording Secretary