The monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of Fort Atkinson was held Thursday, March 19, 2020. President Mark Chaney called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at Luther Administration Center, 201 Park Street, Fort Atkinson, WI, with Treasurer Adam Paul and Clerk Dick Schultz present. Vice-President Ben Knowles and Member Rachel Snethen were absent. The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance. President Chaney read the District’s Mission Statement.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA AND NONAGENDA ITEMS - No comments.

CONSENT AGENDA - Dr. Abbott outlined the consent agenda items. Mr. Schultz moved, seconded by Mr. Paul, that the following consent agenda items be approved: Minutes - February 20, 2020 Regular Meeting, Start College Now/Early College Credit Program Requests, 2020 Summer School Course Offerings, BASE Childcare Agreement, Local Government Investment Pool Authorization, Budget Transfer Requests, Board Policy Revisions, Gifts to the School District including lumber from Bob Cloute to the High School Technical Education Department - $3,500, monetary donation from Demco to Fort Atkinson High School - $150, and supplies for High School students from Jodi Badura/Team Luke - $200, and Payment of District Bills. Motion approved 3-2 by roll call, with Mr. Knowles and Mrs. Snethen absent.

DATE FOR BOARD REORGANIZATION – The Board asked members be polled for an available date.

NONINSTRUCTION

Operational Referendum Update - Dr. Abbott indicated the District would remind voters to vote absentee and indicated all informational meetings were cancelled due to the Coronavirus.

PERSONNEL

Retirement Requests - Mr. Schultz moved, seconded by Mr. Paul, that the retirement requests from Jeff Agnew, 1.0 FTE Agricultural Teacher at Fort Atkinson High School; Leslie Ott, 1.0 FTE Math Interventionist at Barrie and Purdy Elementary Schools; Bobbie Rawinski, 1.0 FTE Fourth Grade Teacher at Barrie Elementary; and, Roger Rumppe, 1.0 FTE Chemistry Teacher at Fort Atkinson High School, effective at the end of the 2020- school year, be accepted and the Board of Education thank Jeff Agnew for his thirty-three years, Leslie Ott for her nineteen years, Bobbie Rawinski for her thirty-six and one-half years, and Roger Rumppe for his thirty-two years of service and dedication to the students and community of the School District of Fort Atkinson. Motion approved 3-2 by voice vote, with Mr. Knowles and Mrs. Snethen absent.

Preliminary Notices of Nonrenewal - Mr. Schultz moved, seconded by Mr. Paul, that a “Preliminary Notice of Nonrenewal” be issued to the following teachers: Brittany Engstrom, 1.0 FTE Special Education Cross Categorical Teacher at Rockwell; Susan Goudreau, 1.0 FTE Family and Consumer Education at Fort Atkinson High School; and, Jamie Leurquin, 1.0 FTE Special Education Cross Categorical Teacher at Fort Atkinson Middle School. Motion approved 3-2 by voice vote, with Mr. Knowles and Mrs. Snethen absent.
TREASURER’S REPORT - Mr. Paul indicated Board members received the Treasurer’s Report.

WASB/CESA REPORT(S) AND LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY - No report.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS - Textbook Adoptions, 2020-21 Compensation, Budget Proposals, Final Notices of Nonrenewal, Individual Certified Staff Contracts, and Election Results. Dr. Abbott outlined continued student learning, delay of Facilities Advisory Committee, and future virtual Board Meetings due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

ADJOURNMENT – At 6:58 p.m., Mr. Schultz moved, seconded by Mr. Paul, the Board of Education adjourn. Motion approved 3-2 by voice vote, with Mr. Knowles and Mrs. Snethen absent.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra K. Kopps, Administrative Assistant

MINUTES APPROVED:

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Dick Schultz, Clerk

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT ATKINSON