

ARVON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARD  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 8, 2020, 6:30 PM, VIA ZOOM

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call via Zoom: Mary DeLine, Sue Bollech, Nancy Soli, Heather Stiebe and Linda Griffith. Staff Paulsen and Lori Johnson.

Newly elected members Mary DeLine and Linda Griffith sworn in by Secretary Sue Bollech.

Visitors via Zoom: Terry Lerma, Rebecca Huttema, Kristi Laramore and Natalie Wahmhoff.

Agenda Adopted with addition of School of Choice by MMS Deline and Soli.

Minutes of November 10, 2020 meeting approved by MMS Soli and DeLine.

Correspondence: Baraga County Shelter Home of November 13, 2020 requesting donations. We may give individually, but as a School Board we do not donate to any charities.

Principal's Report: Diane Paulsen reviewed Johnson's report with the Board. (Johnson joined the meeting a bit later). Student attendance has been very good. Upper elementary students are writing stories for our annual writing competition. Stories to be mailed to publishers on Friday. Christmas break begins December 21. The last day of school is December 18<sup>th</sup>. School resumes January 4<sup>th</sup>. DIBELS math and reading tests will be completed in January. NOTE: DeLine would like a lower elementary report to be added.

Finance Report: Paulsen reviewed the monthly statement and bills. Total liabilities and equity equals \$451,271.94. On MMS Soli and Bollech to accept the monthly statement and pay the bills. All ayes by Bollech, Griffith, Solim DeLine and Stiebe. Nays none.

A. Auditor's Report: Paulsen reviewed Rukkila/Negro's Report for the year ended June 30, 2020.

Old Business:

A. Lamer's Bus Lines: After discussion, it was decided that the Committee to meet via Zoom, prior to a Zoom meeting with Lamer's. The Committee to meet after December 13<sup>th</sup>. Paulsen to call Lamer's to set up a Zoom meeting with Jon Evenson. (No correspondence has been received from Lamer's in response to our letter to them).

B. Scholarship: Board members looked over the Draft developed by the Committee. Griffith to contact Gordette Cote of the Baraga County Community Foundation with our questions as set out.

C. Northland Basement Systems: We will evaluate in a few months to determine if heat tape is needed.

New Business:

A, Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Stockero's recommendation that Arvon Township School

remain the current virtual method through the semester (mid-January) Also, recommended that a new survey be sent out following Christmas Break. The necessary paperwork has been sent to the State.

B. School of Choice: On MMS Soli and Griffith that School of Choice remain for the first Semester and Second Semester. According to Johnson we could not open with out more Chromebooks, we would not have the technology. They are a must. On MMS Bollech and Soli to order four (4) Chromebooks in anticipation. Paulsen to order the Chromebooks as soon as possible. (Our Semester ends the third week of January 2021),

Visitor Comments via Zoom:

Kristi Laramore is concerned about bussing for her daughter. Kristi to call the L'Anse Superintendent with her concerns. L'Anse School receives the dollar benefit for her daughters attendance.

Terri Lerma commented that the teachers are doing an awesome job, an absolutely outstanding job. Also, the children are engaged all day long with their teacher.

Rebecca Huttama commented that her child is learning very well and feels that being consistent in learning is better than off and on.

Heather Stiebe feels that her child is more engaged and they (the other students) interact all day.

Next meeting dates: January 12, 2020 at 6:00 for Reorganizational Meeting with Regular Meeting following at 6:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 on MMS Soli and DeLine, all in favor.

  
HEATHER STIEBE, President

  
SUSAN A. BOLLECH, Secretary