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Held on:	Monday, January 13,	2020	

The Rossford Board of Education met in special session on Monday, January 13, 2020 at Rossford Elementary - Cafeteria, 28500 Lime City Rd, Rossford, Ohio. President Pro-tem Dawn Burks called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge to the flag.

## Administration of the Oath of Office to New Members

The Oath of Office was administered by President Pro-Tem, Dawn Burks, to new members: Sharon Belkofer, Tiffany Densic and Kent Murphree. New members of the Board of Education were asked to subscribe to the following oath:

## **OATH OF OFFICE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as a member of the Rossford Exempted Village School District, Wood County, Ohio, to the best of my ability, and in accordance with the law of the State of Ohio during my continuance in said office, and until my successor is appointed and qualified.

The following members answered roll call: Sharon Belkofer, Dawn Burks, Tiffany Densic, Jackie Huffman, and Kent Murphree.

#### **Election of Officers**

President Pro-Tem, Dawn Burks, conducted the nominations and election process, after which, the new President assumed control. Kent Murphree nominated Dawn Burks for President and Kent Murphree nominated Jackie Huffman for Vice President. **Dawn Burks was elected President and Jackie Huffman elected Vice President of the 2020 school board.** 

1-20 Kent Murphree moved that the Rossford Board of Education approve the issuance of a bond for the President of the Board in the amount of \$20,000 as stipulated by Ohio law, as presented under Exhibit 3-B. Jackie Huffman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.

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Jackie Huffman moved that the Rossford Board of Education set the dates of its regular meetings, as indicated below, to begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the Rossford Schools Administrative Offices and it is further resolved that a meeting of the Board shall take place at the dates, times and places as scheduled unless appropriately changed by Board action, as presented under Exhibit 4:

January 13, 2020 - Rossford Elementary School - Cafeteria February 10, 2020 - Rossford Elementary School - Cafeteria March 9, 2020 - Rossford Elementary School - Cafeteria April 13, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room May 11, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room June 8, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room July 13, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room August 17, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room September 14, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room October 12, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room November 23, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room December 14, 2020 - Administrative Offices - Board Room

Sharon Belkofer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.

- Jackie Huffman moved that the Rossford Board of Education establish the Board of Education Service Fund in the amount of \$9,500 for 2020, as presented under Exhibit 5. Sharon Belkofer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.
- Jackie Huffman moved that the Rossford Board of Education set the level of compensation for all Board members in attendance at \$125.00 per meeting, with no limit on the number of meetings per year, recognizing that this rate of pay shall be phased in as new Board members are elected or re-elected (current Board members shall continue to be paid \$112.50 per Board meeting, with new Board members or re-elected Board members paid at \$125.00 per meeting at the commencement of their new terms, per resolution 27-19 of the February 11, 2019, Regular Meeting), as presented under Exhibit 6. Kent Murphree seconded the motion. Upon roll call, Sharon Belkofer voted yes, Dawn Burks voted yes, Tiffany Densic voted no, Jackie Huffman voted yes and Kent Murphree voted no. The President declared the motion carried.

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## The following committee assignments were made:

Recreation Committee Representative (1-year term)

Dawn Burks

Legislative Liaison/NWOhio School Boards Legislative Committee, Subcommittee on Planning Representative (1-year term) Sharon Belkofer (alternate: Tiffany Densic)

Penta Career Center Representative (3-year term) Ken Sutter (through 2022)

Negotiations Committee (1-year term)

**Kent Murphree and Tiffany Densic** 

**Policy Committee (1-year term)** 

Jackie Huffman and Sharon Belkofer

**Finance Committee (1-year term)** 

**Dawn Burks (alternate: Tiffany Densic)** 

**Facilities Committee (1-year term)** 

**Kent Murphree and Jackie Huffman** 

5-20 Sharon Belkofer moved that the Rossford Board of Education approve legal counsels, as presented under Exhibit 8.

Ohio School Boards Association; Scott Scriven, LLP; Spitler Huffman, LLP; Spengler Nathanson, PLL; and Bricker and Eckler.

Kent Murphree seconded the motion. Upon roll call, Sharon Belkofer voted yes, Dawn Burks voted yes, Tiffany Densic voted yes, Jackie Huffman abstained and Kent Murphree voted yes. The President declared the motion carried.

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Jackie Huffman moved that the Rossford Board of Education approve the standing authorizations for the 2020 calendar year, as presented under Exhibit 9:

**A.** Advances on Tax Settlements:

This authorizes the Treasurer to secure advances from the auditor when funds are available and payable to the district.

- **B.** Investments of Interim Funds:
  - This authorizes the Treasurer to invest interim funds at the most productive interest rate whenever interim funds are available.
- C. Payment of Bills:

This authorizes the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limitation of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when merchandise has been received in good condition.

- D. Employment of Temporary Personnel
  - This authorizes the Superintendent to employ such temporary personnel as is needed for emergency situations. Such employments are to be presented for approval by the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.
- **E.** Appointment of Purchasing Agent:

This authorizes the Superintendent to serve as the purchasing agent for the school district.

Kent Murphree seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.

- 7-20 Tiffany Densic moved that the Rossford Board of Education recognize the RACT and OAPSE/AFSCME, Local #384 as the two bargaining agents for the school district, as presented under Exhibit 10. Kent Murphree seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.
- B-20 Jackie Huffman moved that the Rossford Board of Education approve and adopt the budget for Fiscal Year 2021, as presented under Exhibit 11, and authorize the Board President to sign the budget as presented and approved, as presented under Exhibit 11. Sharon Belkofer seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.
- 9-20 Kent Murphree moved that the Rossford Board of Education approve and adopt the Confirming Rate Resolution as determined by the Budget Commission and authorize the necessary tax levies and certify them to the County Auditor, as presented under Exhibit 12. Jackie Huffman seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.

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10-20	Tiffany Densic moved that the Rossford Board of Education adjourn the Board Organizational Meeting and Budget Hearing of January 13, 2020, at 7:01 p.m. Kent Murphree seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all members voted yes and the President declared the motion carried.			
		RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:		
		PRESIDENT		
	ATTEST:			
	TREASURER			

Next Regular Meeting:
Monday, January 13, 2020
Rossford Elementary School – Cafeteria
28500 Lime City Road
Rossford, OH 43460
(Immediately following 6:30 p.m. Organizational Meeting and Budget Hearing)