Mansfield Board of Education Special Meeting
August 25, 2022
DRAFT Minutes

Attendees: Kathy Ward, Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary (electronically), Edith Allison (electronically), David Litrico (electronically), April Morin, Katherine Paulhus, Jeannette Picard, Kelly Zimmermann

Absent: Susannah Everett, Vice-Chair

The public may view the meeting live at https://mansfieldct.gov/video.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Ms. Ward.

Ms. Morin read the mission statement.

Ms. Ward acknowledged and welcomed Mr. Dart to his first meeting as Superintendent.

INFORMATION, PRESENTATIONS AND ACTIONS:

Mr. Dart began his Superintendent’s Report by providing descriptions and examples of the framework for and each of the five goals of his entry plan. He provided updates on summer and ongoing activities and plans including staffing, Covid-19, water quality testing and results, and the Mansfield Elementary School (MES) opening.

Mr. Dart announced and congratulated two current Administrator’s on their new roles within Mansfield - Candace Morell, Director of Teaching and Learning, and Larry Barlow, MMS Principal. Mrs. Morell and Mr. Barlow both addressed the Board.

Update on School Building Project – Randy Walikonis, School Building Committee Chair and Scott Pellman, Associate Director of Colliers, provided a detailed progress update on MES with many current photos of the interior and exterior developments as well as responded to members’ questions.

Ms. Zimmermann arrived at 6:43pm.

MMS Roof Project Update - Allen Corson, Director of Facilities, reported the roof has been completed and installation of the solar panels is underway and expected to be completed in approximately two weeks.

ARP/ESSER Grant Update – Mr. Dart reminded the Board these funds from the federal government are intended to support professional learning, accelerate student learning and create opportunities where needs have been identified. Other areas of focus include student enrichment opportunities and staff wellness.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ms. Morin, seconded by Ms. Picard to adjourn at 7:31pm. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jil Corso, Board Clerk