

**PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108  
TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING (VIRTUAL MEETING)  
December 21, 2020**

**MINUTES:**

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER      The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools District 108 held a virtual Truth in Taxation Hearing Monday, December 21, 2020 in the District 108 Board Room located in room 108 of Washington Intermediate School. President Frazier called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.
  
- ROLL CALL      The following Board members answered roll call virtually: Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos. Mrs. Smith joined the meeting virtually at 6:50 p.m. Mrs. Cole joined the meeting virtually at 7:03 p.m. Mrs. Frazier participated in the meeting in person.
  
- PLEDGE      Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
  
- TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING      **MOTION:** by Mr. Handegan, seconded by Mr. Root, to open the Truth in Taxation hearing at 6:48 p.m.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Handegan, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Frazier, and Mr. Mullis.  
Motion carried 5-0.
  
- PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING THE 2020 LEVY      There was no public input regarding the Fiscal Year 2020 Tax Levy.
  
- CLOSE TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING      **MOTION:** by Mr. Mullis, seconded by Mr. Handegan, to close the Truth in Taxation hearing at 6:48 p.m.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Mullis, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Frazier.  
Motion carried 5-0.

**PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (VIRTUAL MEETING)  
December 21, 2020**

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER      President Frazier called the regular meeting to order at 6:49 p.m.
  
- ROLL CALL      The following Board members answered roll call: Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos.
  
- VISITORS      A District #108 parent addressed the Board of Education on the topic of remote learning.
  
- SUCCESS STORY: THE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS      Approximately 5 years ago a Starke parent who was a Pekin firefighter at Station 2 explained that his station had decided to help families in need during the holiday season, rather than exchange gifts with one another.  
  
Since that time Starke School staff has provided input regarding families who could best benefit from the generosity of our local firefighters. Mr. Green contacts the parents of the family that will be the current year’s recipient asking if they could use some holiday support, and each year this phone call is met with gratitude and surprise!  
  
After gathering information about family members such as clothing sizes and the interests of the children, the firefighters’ significant others shop and wrap for the family, always making certain to include all children in the family as well as the parents.

While the fire station is covered by another fire crew, Station 2 firefighters deliver gifts to the family, not on sleighs or in cars, but via fire engines! The children are awestruck and are even allowed to sit in the fire engine with sirens blaring and lights flashing! Both the family and the firefighters take great joy in this visit from Santa’s special helpers!

Special thanks to Pekin Fire Department Station 2 firefighters and their significant others who create a special Christmas for one lucky family each year

**APPROVE AGENDA**      **MOTION:** by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Handegan, to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent at 6:58 p.m.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mrs. Smith, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Frazier.  
 Motion carried 6-0.

**APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT AND WARRANTS FOR NOVEMBER 2020**      **MOTION:** by Mr. Mullis, seconded by Mr. Spanos, to approve the Treasurer’s Report and the warrants for November 2020 in the amount of \$3,294,826.10 of which \$1,871,779.71 was payroll.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Handegan, Mr. Root, and Mrs. Smith  
 Motion carried 7-0.

**REPORTS**      The following reports were presented:

- 2020 Proposed Levy  
 (Mrs. Caty Campbell, Business Manager)
- Facilities Committee Update  
 (Mrs. Caty Campbell, Interim Business Manager/Mr. Scott Lamberson, District Facilities Manager)

**CONSENT AGENDA**      **MOTION:** by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Root, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by the Superintendent, consisting of 4 items.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mrs. Smith, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Handegan, and Mr. Mullis.  
 Motion carried 7-0.

1-Approve Minutes      Approved minutes from the November 16, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

2-Accept Gifts      The Board of Education accepted the following gift on behalf of Altman Primary School:

- A monetary gift in the amount of \$800.00 from a group of community members who wish to remain anonymous. This gift will be used to support Altman families in need this holiday season.

3-Approve 2020-2021 Certified and Non-Certified Seniority Lists      The Board approved the 2020-2021 Certified Tenured and Non-Tenured Seniority Lists and the 2020-2021 Support Staff Seniority Lists as presented by Director of Human Resources, Joe Franklin.

4-Personnel      The Board approved the following personnel recommendations:

- Separate*
- Accept the resignation of Michael Horn, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective November 24, 2020.
  - Accept the resignation of Jennifer Linehan, Literacy Leader, for retirement purposes, utilizing the district’s early retirement incentive, effective the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

- Accept the resignation of Donna Miller, Teacher, effective December 8, 2020.
- Approve*
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Becky Martin, 5.75 Hour Learning Center Paraprofessional, effective December 21, 2020.
  - Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for paternity purposes for Cody Sheldon, Band Teacher, effective May 17, 2021 through May 28, 2021 for a total of 10 days, using 10 paid sick leave days.
  - Approve Jacob Dean, Madeline Friend, Alexandra Geary, Michelle Havens, Jace Link, Lauren Marrett, Amanda Mathisen, Anderson Murfin, Kim Roberts, and Lauren Spanos as Substitute Teachers for the 2020-2021 school year.
  - Approve Mackenzie Bennett as a Substitute Paraprofessional for the 2020-2021 school year.

ADOPT RESOLUTION  
21:896  
ESTABLISHING THE  
2020 TAX LEVY

**MOTION:** by Mr. Handegan, seconded by Mr. Root, to adopt Resolution 21:896 establishing the 2020 Tax Levy.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Handegan, Mr. Root, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, and Mr. Mullis.  
Motion carried 7-0.

AUTHORIZE  
PREPARATION FOR  
REPLACEMENT OF  
DUMP TRUCK

**MOTION:** by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Mullis, to authorize preparation of specifications and solicitation of bids for the replacement of a one ton dump truck.  
**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mr. Mullis, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, and Mr. Handegan.  
Motion carried 7-0.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATES December 21, 2020

### *Dismiss for Winter Break*

The District will dismiss for Winter Break at the end of the school day on Tuesday, December 22. Staff members return on Wednesday, January 6 for a full day institute. Students return on Thursday, January 7.

### *Tentative January Reports*

- Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report
- Other TBD

### *Tentative January Action Items*

- TBD

**BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**December 21, 2020**

December 21 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m. (Virtual)
December 22 (Tuesday)	Dismiss for Winter Break (End of Day)
January 6 (Wednesday)	Full Day Teachers' Institute
January 7 (Thursday)	Classes Resume
January 15 (Friday)	SIP Day Early Dismissal
January 18 (Monday)	Martin Luther King Day-No School
January 29 (Friday)	SIP Day Early Dismissal

MOTION TO ADJOURN

**MOTION:** by Mr. Handegan, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.  
**Roll Call:** "Yeas"; Mr. Handegan, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, and Mr. Mullis.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Galvin, Board Secretary

Karen Frazier, Board of Education President