

Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting held June 28, 2023.

Members Present: S. Powers, E. Trudeau, R. Strittmatter, S. Staffan, S. Rogala and J. Bell.

Members absent: L. Jackson

Also Present: Superintendent Curth, and K. Strittmatter

Meeting called to order by President Powers at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by E. Trudeau, Support by R. Strittmatter to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried

Finance Report: MILAF interest for May was \$6,004, that puts us at \$62,182 in interest year to date.

Secretary's Report: Sec. Staffan read a letter of resignation from Natalie Postula who had accepted a position at Harbor Springs Middle School. J. Bell motioned to accept her resignation, S. Powers support. Carried.

Public Participation: none

Motion by R. Strittmatter, support by S. Powers to approve the bills in the amount of \$114,264.82. Carried.

Teacher's Rep Report: Lisa Rivera reported that all of the student Chromebooks and staff laptops are being replaced this summer through the ESSERS funding. AP scores will be released July 5th. Jeffrey Siebigtheroth is a National Merit Scholarship winner!

Principal's Report: none

Old Business: Building & Site: Pre-Construction Estimate Bid: An update was given on the construction project, gym addition. I was noted that the project could break ground as soon as next summer. R. Strittmatter motioned to move forward to bring Clark Concepts on as a professional estimator to move this project forward in the amount of \$31,776 from the building and site funds. S. Powers support. Carried.

Also, just as an update, the window replacement started yesterday. The roof replacement starts July 10th. The window film company starts July 12. Perrot St. will be repaved this summer by the Village of Mackinaw, we will be getting bids to repave the circle drive.

New Business:

(a) 2022-2023 Budget Amendment: The Board looked at the 2022-2023 budget amendments with expenditures as presented-Food Service being \$37,380, Students Activities being \$25,346, and General Fund being \$3,759,613. S. Powers made a motion to amend the Food service, student activities, and the general fund budget with the inclusion of committing fund balance in total of \$500,000 to the building expansion project.” Support by R. Strittmatter. Carried.

(b) 2023-2024 Budget: The board looked at the 2023-2024 budgets with expenditures as presented-General Fund being \$3,390,655, Student Activities being \$37,000, and Food Service being \$33,100. R. Strittmatter motioned to approve the 23-24 general fund, food service, and student activities budgets. Support by Trudeau. Carried.

(c) Custodian Position: S. Powers motioned to hire John Birchfield as Paul Wallin’s replacement and increase the base custodial salary to 35,000 for all custodial staff, including J. Birchfield, N. Thompson, and W. Barrett, R. Strittmatter support. Carried.

(d) English Position: J. Bell motioned to offer a \$2500 signing bonus for and gave Jeff the authorization to hire a new English teacher. S. Powers support. Carried.

(e) 98B Goals: The board discussed the 98B Goals.

(f) MHSAA Resolution: R. Strittmatter motioned, S. Powers support to be a member of the MHSSA. Carried.

(g) Board Meeting Date: It was noted that the next board meeting would be held on Wednesday, July 26, a week later than normal due to expected lack a quorum on the regular date.

Public Participation: Linda Wisely from Center for Change mentioned that they have been encouraging the Legislature and Governor’s office to sign the State budget because the schools depend on it.

Superintendent’s Report: Supt. Curth reported that he used 30 personal/sick days for the year 2022-2023.

Board Comments: J. Bell – none, L. Jackson – absent, S. Powers – none, R. Strittmatter- “thanks to Natalie, she’ll be missed”, S. Staffan – none, S. Rogala – none, E. Trudeau- none.

Motion by J. Bell, support by S. Powers to adjourn at 7:41. Carried.