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REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 15, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Kathy Reed, Mary Ling, Keith Szajnecki, Mark Ashley, Frank Lamberti
Members Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER

President Reed called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Reed led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Christina Rowe, 1645 Bear Creek Lane Apt L, Petoskey – Miss Rowe gave a presentation to the Board requesting that Petoskey High School consider going to an open campus. She noted restrictions, consequences and compromises. A packet of information was given to the Board with more details.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Szajnecki and supported by Trustee Ashley that the written minutes of the following meeting be approved as recorded:

Regular Meeting Minutes, May 18, 2017

AYES: Reed, Szajnecki, Ashley
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Ling, Lamberti

Motion was Declared Adopted

[APPROVAL OF WARRANTS](#)

Motion by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Szajnecki that the warrants paid, as submitted by the administration, be approved in the amount of \$2,735,083.47.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: POLICY #9070, ACCEPTABLE IMAGERY FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF PETOSKEY](#)

Dr. Scholten provided an explanation and answered questions from the Board. He recommended the Board's approval.

Motion by Trustee Szajnecki and supported by Trustee Ling to approve Policy #9070, Acceptable Imagery for the Public Schools of Petoskey, as presented.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: MHSAA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2017-18](#)

Dr. Scholten provided a brief explanation and requested the Board's approval.

Motion by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Ling that the resolution for membership with MHSAA for 2017/2018 be approved as attached.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE EDUCATIONAL STAFF](#)

Dr. Scholten introduced our new employee.

Molly Werden – Social Studies Teacher at Petoskey Middle School

Motion by Trustee Szajnecki and supported by Trustee Ling that Molly Werden be appointed to the position of Social Studies Teacher at the Middle School in the Public Schools of Petoskey.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS](#)

Dr. Scholten recommended the Board's approval for the extension of the administrative contracts.

Motion by Trustee Szajnecki and supported by Trustee Lamberti to accept the superintendent's recommendation as to the extension of the administrative contracts.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: WAGE ADJUSTMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF](#)

Dr. Scholten recommended the wages of the administrative staff be increased by 0.25%, and answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Trustee Ling and supported by Trustee Ashley that the wages of the administrative staff be increased by 0.25% for 2017/2018 school year.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: WAGE ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON-AFFILIATED SUPPORT STAFF](#)

Dr. Scholten recommended that the Board increase wages for the non-affiliated support staff by 0.75%, and answered questions from the Board.

Motion by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Lamberti that the wages of non-affiliated support staff be increased by 0.75% for 2017/2018 school year.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: TEXTBOOK PURCHASE](#)

Mr. Cartwright explained the need for the textbook purchase and recommended the Board's approval. Discussion followed.

Motion by Trustee Lamberti and supported by Trustee Ling to accept the attached bid for math textbooks from McGraw-Hill in the amount of \$64,315.95.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: TRIANGLE ASSOCIATES CHANGE ORDER #31](#)

Mr. Cartwright recommended the Board's approval of Change Order #31 and answered questions from the Board regarding the Change Order.

Motion by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Ling to accept Change Order #31 to the Triangle Associates contract for a decrease of (\$203,202.98) from the Sinking Fund.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: TRIANGLE ASSOCIATES CHANGE ORDER #30](#)

Mr. Cartwright recommended the Board's approval of Change Order #30 and answered questions from the Board regarding the Change Order.

Motion by Trustee Ling and supported by Trustee Lamberti to accept Change Order #30 to the Triangle Associates contract for an increase of \$412,073 from the Athletic Stadium Construction Bond fund.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: 2016-17 FINAL BUDGET](#)

Mr. Cartwright provided a brief explanation of the 2016-17 final budget revisions. He recommended the Board's approval and answered the Board's questions.

Motion by Trustee Szajnecki and supported by Trustee Ashley that this resolution shall be the appropriations for the Public Schools of Petoskey for the fiscal year 2016-2017: A resolution to make appropriations for expenditures and provide for the disposition of their fund incomes received by the Public Schools of Petoskey, as presented.

This act is to take effect on July 15, 2017.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: 2017-18 INITIAL BUDGETS](#)

Mr. Cartwright provided an overview of the 2017/2018 initial budget projections. He recommended the Board's approval, and addressed the Board's questions and comments regarding the 2017/2018 initial budget proposal.

Motion by Trustee Ling and supported by Trustee Ashley that this resolution shall be the appropriations for the Public Schools of Petoskey for the fiscal year 2017-2017: A resolution to make appropriations for expenditures and provide for the disposition of their fund incomes received by the Public Schools of Petoskey, per the enclosure.

This act is to take effect on July 1, 2017.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

[RESOLUTION: CHAREM ISD REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL](#)

Dr. Scholten explained the state of school financing and recommended that the millage proposal be placed on the ballot for the November 2016 election. The Board discussed the proposal and Dr. Scholten answered their questions.

Motion by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Lamberti to accept the CharEm ISD Regional Enhancement Millage Proposal Resolution as attached.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

EDUCATIONAL REPORTS

Mrs. Thola presented for the elementary schools.

- All four schools held their field days at Northmen Stadium. Thank you for letting kids of all ages participate in using the new stadium.

Mr. Wilcox presented for the middle school.

- All grade levels participated in end of the year field trips.
 - Sixth grade went to Mackinac Island.
 - Seventh grade went to the Kaliseum in Kalkaska.
 - Eighth grade went rafting on the Sturgeon River.
- The end of year award ceremony went well. The ceremony for each grade level is at a different time. This goes very smoothly. A parent requested permission to film the ceremony for a student who has been diagnosed with cancer and is downstate. She had post-it-notes out at the end of the ceremony so that every 8th grade student could write a note to her.

Dr. Stewart presented for the high school.

- The graduation ceremony is complete! Everything went well.
- Summer school has started. It takes place Monday through Thursday, this week and next.
- Early College Cohort – 100% finished with a B or better. 23 of the 25 are enrolled in a four year college for next year.
- Jump Start – 95% of the students passed all their classes.

Dr. Slanec thanked the Board for approving the textbook purchase.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS

Trustee Ashley noted that registration for the PEF golf outing is full. The event will take place on July 14, 2017.

Trustee Reed thanked the school for allowing PYSA to use Northmen Stadium for their tournament that will take place this weekend.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Scholten introduced George Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong is applying for a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. This competitive Very Special Arts grant requires Board approval if funds are received. All Board members informally approved moving forward with the program if the grant is received.

Mr. Armstrong also noted that all proceeds earned at Pirates Cove over Labor Day weekend are donated to the Petoskey Education Foundation.

Dr. Scholten presented to the Board.

- The Administration is meeting as a team to look at growth and achievement data. They will be meeting next Tuesday and Friday.
- July 15 and July 16 is Kayak for a Cause. You can support Dr. Scholten and/or Trustee Ling by going to the Camp Daggett website to donate. Proceeds go directly to support the Full Value Agreement work with our schools.
- Senate Bill 443 is looking to modify the definition of bullying. The words “repeated” and “real or perceived power imbalance” would be added if the Bill goes through.
- 2016/2017 Bullying Report

	PHYSICAL	VERBAL	CYBER	TOTAL
PHS	1	1	4	6
PMS	0	2	1	3
ELEMENTARY	0	1	0	1

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Dr. Scholten gave an update on the MSPERS Senate Bill.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

RESOLUTION: CLOSED SESSION – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act allows a Board of Education to meet in closed session for the purpose of strategy and negotiation sessions connected with a collective bargaining agreement.

Moved by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Ling that the Board meet in closed session for the purpose of discussing strategies related to collective bargaining as permitted in Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call Vote:

- Trustee Reed - yes
- Trustee Ling - yes
- Trustee Szajnecki - yes
- Trustee Ashley - yes
- Trustee Lamberti - yes

Motion was Declared Adopted. The board went into closed session at 8:40 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board returned to open session at 9:28 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Trustee Ashley and supported by Trustee Ling to adjourn.

AYES: Reed, Ling, Szajnecki, Ashley, Lamberti
NAYS: None

Motion was Declared Adopted

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Kathy Reed, President

Frank Lamberti, Secretary

Lori Lewis, Recording Secretary