

HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
High School Auditorium
5037 32nd Avenue
December 8, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Davis, DeWitt, Hall, Hooper, Kapenga, Sneden, Tuttle

Administrators Present: Armstrong, Beel, Briggs, Fast, Geerling, Heagle, Levendowski, Meersma, Ross, Stefanich, Szymanski, Taylor, Thomas, VanderJagt, VanSomeren, VerWys, Waldie

President Hall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Tuttle, supported by Sneden to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Board Recognition

The board recognized Linda Willemstein, Kitchen Manager who was chosen by the School Nutrition Association of Michigan as the Manager of the Year. Food Service Director Mary Darnton shared that Linda goes above and beyond to ensure that our department runs smoothly. She is the point person for all ordering and logistics, making sure our central kitchens run efficiently, and is always thinking of new ways to make our operation run better. She is always ready to step in and help, and has a gift for making complicated tasks simpler. Linda's biggest asset is her heart as she cares deeply about what we do, and it shows in even the smallest of tasks.

Student Council Report

Briella Beemer, Senior, shared that the Student Council most likely will be hosting a Winter Dance on February 17. She reported that the Student Council donated \$500 to the Eagles Landing families in need project. They hosted a movie night and admission was a donated toy that will be given to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. Students are looking forward to Spirit Days next week before the holiday break. She shared kind words about former student Luke Balstad who passed away recently. The Student Council will be making a donation to the National Alliance for Mental Health and will be purchasing an environmentally friendly bench for the school yard in his memory.

Teaching and Learning Feature

The high school chamber orchestra performed under the direction of Adam Davis.

Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present

President Hall opened the floor to the audience. The following addressed the board:

Mindy VandenHeuvel
Keith Leyendecker
Thomas Kapenga
Aron Duby
Jessica DeYoung
Randy Buist
Genna Brong
Emily Brechting

Action Items – Consent Agenda

Motion by Hooper, supported by Kapenga to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - Regular Meeting – November 10, 2022
 - Work Session – November 28, 2022

2. Trip Requests

- Winter Color Guard, New Lenox, IL, February 25, 2023
- Winter Color Guard, Dayton, OH, April 13-16, 2023
- Winter Percussion, Dayton, OH, April 20-23, 2023

3. Presentation of Bills

The following is an analysis of the payments:

Payroll	\$3,837,947
Benefits	2,754,680
Accounts Payable	<u>752,562</u>
Total General Fund	\$7,345,189

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

School Resource Officer Proposal

Motion by Sneden, supported by Tuttle to approve the recommendation of an additional school resource officer for our schools in Georgetown Township as presented by Dr. VanderJagt. Ayes: All

Motion Carried

The World at War: World War 1 – World War 2 Course Proposal – 2nd Reading

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, presented the second and final reading of The World at War: World War 1 – World War 2 course proposal. Motion by Sneden, supported by DeWitt to approve the 1st reading of this proposal. Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Bauer Elementary and Riley Street Middle School Roof Bid Recommendations

Motion by Tuttle, supported by Hooper to approve the roof bid recommendations for Bauer and Riley for a total cost of \$5,435,880 as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance.

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Summer Tax Resolution

Motion by Kapenga, supported by DeWitt to approve the 100% Summer Tax Resolution as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Board Policy Updates/Revisions – 1st Reading

Motion by Sneden, supported by Hooper to approve the 1st reading of the following policy updates/revisions as presented by Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent:

- 0144.1 – Compensation
- 5350 – Student Suicide
- 6108 – Authorization to Use Electronic Fund Transfers and Automated Clearing House Arrangements
- 6460 – Vendor Relations
- 6700 – Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)
- 7217 – Weapons
- 7440.03 – Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Superintendent Evaluation

President Ken Hall reviewed the scores from the recent superintendent evaluation. Dr. VanderJagt received the following scores in the following areas:

- Governance & Board Relations – 3.5 out of 4
- Community Relations – 3.83 out of 4
- Staff Relations – 4 out of 4
- Business & Finance – 4 out of 4
- Instructional Leadership – 3.8 out of 4
- Student Growth – 4 out of 4
- Progress Toward District-Wide Goals – 4 out of 4

Dr. VanderJagt received a Highly Effective Rating and a score of 98% (Total 3.9 out of 4).

Motion by Dewitt, supported by Sneden to approve the evaluation as presented. Davis-No, DeWitt-Aye, Hall- Aye, Hooper-Aye, Kapenga-Aye, Sneden-Aye, Tuttle-Aye
Motion Carried

District Courses/Curriculum Approval

Dr. VanderJagt spoke to the list of courses/curriculum that was shared at the last work session of course/curriculum approval dates and how some of the dates of approval were not recorded. The board policy on course approval will be reviewed brought before the board for suggested revisions. Following the approval of the policy the list will be brought to the board for approval.

RULER Curriculum

Mandy Thomas, Director of Special Services, reviewed a document that had responses to board members Davis and Hooper's questions on the RULER curriculum from the last work session. She provided further clarification to their questions and spoke about the misconception of the video that was brought up at the work session.

SAT Data

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, presented Hudsonville High School SAT scores compared to comparable districts and local districts. These comparisons showed that HHS students are scoring higher than all other districts in Ottawa County. Principals Jordan Beel and Joe Szymanski shared testing information and scores which showed that students are succeeding despite what some have labeled learning loss due to the COVID shut down.

Superintendent Report

Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent, reported that the hallway between the high school and freshman campus would open next week. He thanked Larry Kapenga and Chad Tuttle for their years of service on the board and their commitment to our kids and community.

Adjournment

Motion by Kapenga, supported by Tuttle to adjourn 8:05 p.m. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Robin VandenBerg, Recording Secretary for the Board of Education