

HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
5037 32nd Avenue
May 12, 2022
7:00 P.M.

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

Administrators Present: Armstrong, Briggs, Crete, Gillette, Heagle, Heerema, McClure, Meersma, Ross, Stefanich, Szymanski, Taylor, Thomas, VanderJagt, VanSomeren, Waldie

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Motion Carried

Board Recognition

The board recognized Robotics Team 8031E and Representative Slagh presented them with a Special Tribute from the State of Michigan.

High School Robotics Team 8031E – Joshua DeBoer, Jacob McCuaig, Tucker Wolf, and Samuel Moorehead

- Tournament Championship Award at the 2021-2022 Kettering VEX Robotic Competition

The board recognized Annie Ham for representing the Student Council at this year's board meetings

Student Council Report

Annie Ham, senior, reported that the Student Council's 2022-2023 executive team attended a leadership conference in Wyoming that was beneficial. The Student Council showed appreciation to staff during staff appreciation week and this week they are showing appreciation to the food service staff. They are preparing for a Renaissance ice cream social and they will be hosting summer blood drives on June 9 and August 10. Annie thanked the board for an awesome year.

Action Items – Consent Agenda

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

1. Approval of Minutes
 - Work Session – April 11, 2022
 - Regular Meeting – April 14, 2022
 - Work Session – April 25, 2022
2. Human Resource Item
Administrator Leave of Absence – Matt Baer

3. Presentation of Bills
The following is an analysis of the payments:

Payroll	\$3,209,577.00
Benefits	2,496,171.00
Accounts Payable	<u>567,141.23</u>
Total General Fund	\$6,272,889.23

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District General Fund Budget Resolution

Motion by Bowerman, supported by Davis that the board approve the 2022-2023 Ottawa Intermediate School District general fund budget as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Security System Renovation Bid Recommendation

Motion by Davis, supported by Bowerman that the board approve a contract with Parkway Electric of Holland, Michigan in the amount of \$530,037.90, for the Security System Renovations to be paid with funds from bond proceeds as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Second Life Mac Settlement

Motion by Davis, supported by Bowerman to ratify acceptance of \$70,000 to resolve contract issues with Second Life Mac as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Auditor Selection

Motion by Hooper, supported by Sneden to approve the recommendation to select Maner Costerisan of Lansing as the financial statement audit for the 2021-2022 fiscal year for \$41,500 and also name them the audit firm for July as presented by Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Board Policy Revisions – 1st Reading

Motion by Bowerman, supported by Tuttle to approve the first reading of the following board policies as presented by Dr. VanderJagt:

- 1616 - Staff Dress and Grooming
- 5511- Dress and Grooming
- 6110 – Grant Funds
- 6114 – Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds
- 6325 – Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds

Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Human Resource Items

Motion by Kapenga, supported by Tuttle to approve the following certified hire recommendations presented by Anne Armstrong, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources:

Katelyn Schwerin

Position: ELA Teacher, Baldwin Street Middle
Replacing: Jeff Henderson

Bryan DePotty

Position: ELA Teacher, Riley Street Middle
Replacing: Christine Westveld

Danielle Goodyke

Position: ELA Teacher, Baldwin Street Middle
Replacing: Allison Whittaker

Matthew Borst

Position: PE Teacher, Hudsonville Christian Middle School
Replacing: Luke Holtrop

Stacia Herson

Position: Science Teacher, Baldwin Street Middle
Replacing: Vacancy

Carolynn Herman

Position: Guidance Counselor, Riley Street Middle
Replacing: Connie Brady

Emily Rasmussen

Position: Guidance Counselor, Baldwin Street Middle
Replacing: Vacancy

Adam Nelson
Position: Math Teacher, High School
Replacing: Mike Jones

Diana Joostberns
Position: PBIS Specialist, Park Elementary
Replacing: Heather Stauffer

Angie Faraci
Position: MTSS Building Interventionist, Park Elementary
Replacing: New position

Motion by Kapenga, supported by Sneden to reluctantly approve the following certified retirements as presented by Anne Armstrong, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources:

Certified Teaching Staff Retirements:

Stephen Barnhart (retiring 1/20/23)
Riley Middle, PE Teacher, 30 years

Connie Brady
Riley Middle, Guidance Counselor, 30 years

Jeff Henderson
Baldwin Middle, English Teacher, 27 years

Mindy Huizenga
Georgetown Elementary, 4th Grade Teacher, 31 years

Lori Humphrey
Riley Middle, English Teacher, 30 years

Amy Jurewicz
South Elementary, 3rd Grade Teacher, 20 years

Kristi Mason
Alward Elementary, STEAM Teacher, 24 years

Heather Persch
Jamestown Upper, Resource Teacher, 10 years

Janet Pingel
Alward Elementary, 1st Grade Teacher, 16 years

Paul TenBrink
High School, Resource Teacher, 31 years

Karen Walenta
Georgetown Elementary, 5th Grade Teacher, 11 years

Christine Westveld
Riley Middle, English Teacher, 32 years

Pamela Wise
Riley Middle, Science Teacher, 33 years

Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Administrative Hire

Motion by Sneden, supported by Bowerman to approve Heidi Mucha as the Alward Elementary Principal as presented by Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Board Meeting Communication Discussion

The board discussed various ways to improve communication at board meetings. Bluetooth microphones for each board member are on order but will not be shipped immediately. There was discussion on streaming the meetings live or recording them and posting them online. WCET is researching the cost of purchasing some new equipment and how much it would be to staff the meetings. This discussion will continue at a future work session

Non-Homestead Election Results Discussion

Discussion surrounding the recent milage election was held. Although the milage passed, it was a closer margin than previous years. Discussion was held on changing the milage vote to a multiple year vote, shifting the vote to November, and getting feedback from stakeholders through a poll or townhall type meeting. More discussion will be held at an upcoming work session.

Central Office Updates

Central Office Administrators gave a department update.

Superintendent Report

Dr. VanderJagt, Superintendent, welcomed everyone to graduation on May 26 at the football stadium where we will be celebrating 479 graduates. He thanked Kim Belka and the high school counseling team for the Senior Honor Ceremony. He reported that next week our Senior student athletes will be recognized.

Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present

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

Gwen Snoeyink
Leigh DeHuff
Lucille Spinner
Greg Chanski
Kelli DeHaan
Jenni Gamby
Lauren Nykamp
Ivy Santellan
Joan Bass
Kristi Jensen

Closed Session

Motion by Davis, supported by Sneden to go into closed session to discuss bargaining. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Open Session

Motion by Sneden, supported by Tuttle to return to open session. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Adjournment

Motion by Davis, supported by Kapenga to adjourn 9:46 p.m. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Robin VandenBerg, Recording Secretary for the Board of Education