

HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
3886 Van Buren Street
February 26, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Bolhuis, Chanski, Davis, DeWitt, Hall, Hooper, Sneden

Administrators Present: Briggs, Fast, Olson, Taylor, VanderJagt,

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present

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

Gwen Snoeyink

Rich Houtteman

Aron Duby

Elementary Math Textbook Purchase Recommendation

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and teachers Becky Heileman, Holly Mueller, and Julie Reifschneider gave a presentation on the process of selecting a new math textbook for K-5 students. The committee is recommending the adoption of the Bridges in Mathematics curriculum for a total cost of \$304,751.42 beginning implementation during the 2024-25 school year.

AP Physics Textbook Purchase Recommendation

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and Assistant High School Principal Joel Olson presented a recommendation to purchase an updated AP Physics textbook for a total cost of \$7,180 plus shipping costs.

Diversity & Advocacy Committee (DAC) Update

Dr. VanderJagt shared an update on the timeline and phases of the work of the Diversity & Advocacy Committee. Currently they completed phase 3 (Brainstorm & Research Potential Solutions). Their work continues to the next phase at their March meeting. Their goal is to bring a recommendation to the board before the end of the school year.

Maintenance Mower Purchase Recommendation

Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance, presented a recommendation to purchase one Ventrac 4520N, 32.5 horse power, all-wheel drive tractor with an HQ 682 tough cut 68" front mower attachment from Spartan Distributors of Sparta, Michigan at a price not to exceed \$35,673 plus reasonable associated costs

Technology E Rate Purchase Recommendation

Patrick Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance, presented a recommendation to purchase eight Cisco network switches and 96, seven-year licenses (including software updates, maintenance, and tech support) through Sentinel Technologies of Downers Grove, Illinois, for a total amount of \$157,722.

Trip Requests

Dr. VanderJagt presented the following trip requests:

- Girl's Water Polo, Lincolnshire, IL, April 19-20, 2024
- High School, Europe, June 8-19, 2026

Board Code of Conduct Review (#11-14)

Dr. Hooper read numbers 11-14 of the Board Code of Conduct and the board discussed each statement.

Public Hearing for Sex Education Advisory Board (SEAB) Curriculum Recommendation

Ami Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and SEAB chair Chris Morse reviewed a recommendation of replacement videos for the boys and girls fifth grade puberty curriculum. Following the discussion there was a time for public comment. The following individuals addressed the board:

Jennifer Adams
Gwen Snoeyink
Dana O'Dell
Jamie Fleming
Dave Kotman

Adjournment

Motion by Davis, supported by DeWitt, to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. Ayes: All
Motion Carried

Robin VandenBerg, Recording Secretary for the Board of Education