Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, NICE Community School District, Townships of Champion, Ely, Humboldt, Ishpeming, Tilden, and Spurr; Counties of Baraga and Marquette; and the State of Michigan held on Monday, June 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Ron Mariani in the Media Center of Westwood High School at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present: Kathleen Carlson, Donna Champion, Randy Couveau, John Grove, Ron Mariani, Wendy Pederson

Members Absent: Brett French

Administrator’s Present: Bryan DeAugustine, Michael Wommer

Administrator’s Absent: David Boase, Jon Beckman, Chris Marana, Nathan Longton

Public Comment (regarding agenda): None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to move the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to approve the General Fund Bills in the amount of $767,865.05 for the period of May 21, 2018 through June 15, 2018; to approve the May payrolls in the amount of $593,997.20 for total disbursements in the amount of $1,361,862.25; to approve the Treasurer’s Report of the General Fund with total receipts of $876,437.50 and total disbursements of $1,132,317.74 to approve the Debt Retirement balance in the amount of $108,728.13; to approve the Sinking Fund balance of $804,943.06 of May 31, 2018. Motion carried.

Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

Superintendent’s Report
Bryan DeAugustine reported about the Marshall Plan meeting he attended with four other local superintendents. He also talked about the most recent test scores and presented those to the board. He gave a grant update for Chris Marana and Nathan Longton for the work that they are doing to try and secure some funds for a behavior program from the Western Marquette County Community Foundation.

Aspen Ridge Elementary School Report
No report

Aspen Ridge Middle School/Athletics Report
No report

Westwood High School Report
No report

Special Education Report
No report

Transportation Report
Mike Wommer reported that the total miles driven for the 2017-2018 school year was 182,597, and the current total fleet mileage is 1,679,011 miles.
Committee Reports

Academic Achievement - Updated with brand new scores Student Growth matrix in your packets. We are still awaiting State reporting for the SAT and MSTEP. The committee itself will be meeting in July/August to review our most recent scores and tackle innovation as part of our district’s push to improve academic achievement.

Finance and Ops - Budget Hearing, Final Amendments and Original Budgets presented and considered tonight.

Personnel - No activity this month.

Policy - Policy updates and revisions in committee members' packets tonight. NEOLA and in-house editing concluded on the afternoon of June 13. Meeting upcoming in July/August.

School Improvement - No activity this month.

Sinking Fund - 2018 Summer Projects underway.

Business / Action Items

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to hire Kristine Burke as a Summer SCI Program Aide for the 2018 SCI Summer Program. Motion carried.

Motion by Donna Champion supported by John Grove to accept Elizabeth Conery's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to hire Rebecca Estelle as an Extended School Year Summer Services Aide for the Summer of 2018. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Kathleen Carlson to accept Jaime Harrington's letter of retirement. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to accept Tammy Keskimaki's letter of retirement. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to accept Mary Sinclair's letter of retirement. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to adopt the General Fund Budget Final Amendment for 2017-18 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson aye Champion aye Couveau aye
Grove aye Mariani aye Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Wendy Pederson to adopt the Sinking Fund Budget Final Amendment for 2017-18 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson aye Champion aye Couveau aye
Grove aye Mariani aye Pederson aye

Motion carried.
Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to adopt the Cafeteria Fund Budget Final Amendment for 2017-18 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to adopt the Debt Retirement Budget Final Amendment for 2017-18 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Randy Couveau to authorize the General Fund Operating Millage collection of 18 Mills for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Kathleen Carlson to authorize the Sinking Fund Millage collection of 1.7415 Mills for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Donna Champion supported by John Grove to authorize the Debt Retirement Millage collection of 1.00 Mill for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to adopt the General Fund Budget for 2018-19 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  
Grove    aye  Mariani   aye  Pederson aye
Motion carried.

**Motion by Donna Champion supported by Kathleen Carlson** to adopt the Sinking Fund Budget for 2018-19 as presented.

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**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to adopt the Debt Retirement Fund Budget for 2018-19 as presented.

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Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to authorize the Superintendent and Board President to sign the contract with Anderson Tackman as presented.

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Motion carried.

**Motion by Donna Champion supported by John Grove** to authorize the superintendent to accept mBank’s bid as presented on behalf of the District.

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Motion carried.

**Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Randy Couveau** to authorize the President, Secretary and Superintendent to sign the one-year agreement to participate in INN for the 2018-19 School Year on behalf of the district as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  Grove  aye  Mariani  aye  Pederson  aye
Motion carried.

**Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Donna Champion** to authorize the President and Superintendent to sign the service contract with MARESA on behalf of the district as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  Grove  aye  Mariani  aye  Pederson  aye
Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to participate in the MHSAA for the 2018-19 school year. Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to participate in MFA Borrowing as presented.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  Grove  aye  Mariani  aye  Pederson  aye
Motion carried.

**Motion by Donna Champion supported by Randy Couveau** to authorize Lifetouch as our School Picture service provider.

Roll Call Vote:
Carlson  aye  Champion  aye  Couveau  aye  Grove  aye  Mariani  aye  Pederson  aye
Motion carried.

**Community Comments:** None

**Closing comments by Board or Superintendent:**

Randy Couveau thanked Mr. DeAugustine and his staff for their continued diligence for preparing and maintaining a tight budget and he also congratulated Donna Champion for her award and years of dedication to the NICE district.

Kathleen Carlson also thanked Mr. DeAugustine and his staff for all of their hard work related to the finances of the district. She thanked the retirees for their years of service as well. She also mentioned that the wrestling team was awarded Academic All-State and were in the top ten teams in the state for grade point average.

Wendy Pederson asked if WHS would be represented in the 4th of July parade. She also asked about the cold temperature in the media center, energy efficiency programs and about the sidewalk project.

Donna Champion thanked everyone responsible for giving her the Distinguished Service Award.
Ron Mariani also agreed that there are a lot of people to thank at the end of the school year. He also mentioned that he hears a lot of questions about the Sinking Fund projects and how they are chosen. He stated that he encourages people to contact Mr. DeAugustine with questions for those who don’t understand the Sinking Fund.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.