

Minutes of the Special 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 **Wednesday, April 24, 2019.**

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Mariani in the Media Center of Westwood High School at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present: Steve Baril, Kathleen Carlson, Randy Couveau, John Grove, Ron Mariani, Wendy Pederson

Members Absent: Donna Champion

Administrator’s Present: Bryan DeAugustine

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Ruben Champion.

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 Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

None

Business / Action Items

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to enter into closed session under Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act for the purposes of negotiations. Motion carried.

The meeting entered closed session at 6:07 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:19 p.m.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to take a ratification vote for the NTA Contract as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Couveau	aye
Grove	aye	Mariani	abstain	Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

Community Comments

None

Closing comments by Board or Superintendent:

Wendy Pederson thanked Ron Mariani for having a moment of silence for Ruben Champion.

Randy Couveau thanked Bryan DeAugustine for being very prepared and researched at the meetings and for coming to an agreement so quickly.

Kathleen Carlson agreed with Randy Couveau and also thanked Bryan DeAugustine.

Ron Mariani thanked everyone for this very important piece to the school year. He knows there is a lot to be done before the end of the school year and end of the fiscal year. He again extended his sympathies to Mrs. Donna Champion.

Bryan DeAugustine thanked the negotiation team and felt that it was approached logically as a group which enabled the agreement to be negotiated pretty quickly.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Board President: _____ **Board Secretary:** _____