

**Minutes** of the Organizational 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, January 20, 2020.**

The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Bryan DeAugustine in the Media Center of Westwood High School at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call: Members Present: Steve Baril, Kathleen Carlson, Donna Champion, Randy Couveau, John Grove, Ronald Mariani, Wendy Pederson

Members Absent: None

Administrators Present: Bryan DeAugustine

**Election of Officers:**

**The Superintendent called for nominations for Board President.**

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Donna Champion to nominate Ron Mariani as Board President for the 2020 year. No other nominations were made. Motion carried.

Motion by Donna Champion supported by Wendy Pederson to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Ron Mariani as Board President. Motion carried.

**President Ron Mariani opened the floor for nominations of Board Vice President.**

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Donna Champion to nominate Randy Couveau as Board Vice President for the 2020 year. No other nominations were made. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Randy Couveau as Board Vice President. Motion carried.

**President Ron Mariani opened the floor for nominations for Board Secretary.**

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Kathleen Carlson to nominate Donna Champion as Board Secretary for the 2020 year. No other nominations were made. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Donna Champion as Board Secretary. Motion carried.

**President Ron Mariani opened the floor for nominations for Board Treasurer.**

Motion by Donna Champion supported by Randy Couveau to nominate Wendy Pederson as Board Treasurer for the 2020 year. No other nominations were made. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Wendy Pederson as Board Treasurer. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bylaws (Section 0000 Bylaws of the NEOLA Policy Manual)**

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Donna Champion to approve the bylaws which establish the district's legal status and board functions as presented. Motion carried.

**Scheduling of Regular Monthly School Board Meetings**

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Randy Couveau to open the discussion for scheduling the regular monthly board meetings. Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the WHS Media Center as the time and place for the regular monthly meetings of the NICE Community School District Board of Education with the exception of the December meeting which will take place on Monday, December 14, 2020. Motion carried.

**Discuss Ad Hoc Committees**

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to open the discussion for the ad hoc committee structure. Motion carried.

Discussion of committee structure took place and committee assignments will be provided by the Board President at the next meeting.

**Designation of Depositories for School Funds**

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Randy Couveau to resolve that mBank is the depository of school funds (and possible future payroll direct depository) along with Wells Fargo/FlagStar as an additional payroll direct deposit distribution bank. Motion carried.

**Check Signature & Electronic Transfer Authorizations**

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to designate administrators (Superintendent; Administrative Assistant for Finance, Melissa Maki; Payroll Clerk, Jody Salmi; Principals/Assistant Principals, building secretaries, and athletic director) to execute checks and authorize electronic transfers from respective school accounts as needed. Motion carried.

**Delegation of Election Duties**

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Kathleen Carlson to designate the Superintendent or designee to manage election duties on behalf of the Board of Education. Motion carried.

**Approval of Annual Retainer Contracts**

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to retain Thrun Law Firm as the Board's attorney for the 2020 year.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Champion	aye
Couveau	aye	Grove	aye	Mariani	aye
Pederson	aye				

Motion carried.

**Discussion of Open Board Seat**

N/A

Public Comment:     None.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Kathleen Carlson to adjourn the Organizational meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM.

President: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_