

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, February 21, 2022.**

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Mariani at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Dave Boase, Randy Couveau, John Grove, Scott Mann, Ron Mariani, Wendy Pederson

Members Absent: Kathleen Carlson

Administrator's Present: Bryan DeAugustine, Jon Beckman, Cliff Fossitt, Nathan Longton, Chris Marana, PJ O'Brien

Administrator's Absent: None

Public Comment (regarding agenda): Kris Sibley complimented the hard working staff in our district which leads to the positive test scores and success our students have.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Scott Mann supported by John Grove to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to move the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to approve the General Fund Bills in the amount of \$981,877.55 for the period of January 17, 2022 through February 18, 2022; to approve the January payrolls in the amount of \$592,749.62; for total disbursements in the amount of \$1,574,627.17; to approve the Treasurer's Reports of the General Fund with total receipts of \$1,635,271.60 and total disbursements of \$1,285,703.36; to approve the Sinking Fund balance of \$985,906.96 for January 31, 2022. Motion carried.

Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

Bryan DeAugustine reported on a MARESA personnel update, a current budget snapshot, the upcoming Sinking Fund election, a snow day update, negotiations for both AFSCME and NTA this spring and summer, our current covid numbers and the federal mask mandate on buses that should hopefully be rescinded soon and finally the MCHD Vaccine clinic that is being hosted at our school.

The building administrators gave an update on how things are going in their areas.

Committee Reports

Academic Achievement – No activity this month.

Finance and Ops – No activity this month.

Personnel – No activity this month.

Policy – No activity this month.

Sinking Fund – No activity this month.

NTA Negotiations – To begin this spring.

AFSCME Negotiations – To begin this spring.

Business / Action Items

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to hire Lisa Beauchamp as a part-time assistant caregiver in our daycare program. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Scott Mann to hire Jennifer Hodgins as a special education teacher.

Roll Call Vote:

Dave Boase	aye	Randy Couveau	aye	John Grove	aye
Scott Mann	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Scott Mann supported by John Grove to hire Emily Meier as our Assistant Varsity Track Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Wendy Pederson to hire Korie Sleeter as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott Mann supported by Randy Couveau to approve our Class of 2022 graduation list as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by John Grove to award our Sinking Fund Window Project to Nasi Construction as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Dave Boase	aye	Randy Couveau	aye	John Grove	aye
Scott Mann	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Scott Mann to authorize the addition of a single stall restroom at ARS as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Dave Boase	aye	Randy Couveau	aye	John Grove	aye
Scott Mann	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Dave Boase to authorize the resurfacing of our Tennis Courts as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Dave Boase	aye	Randy Couveau	aye	John Grove	aye
Scott Mann	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to resolve to continue to participate in Schools of Choice as presented. Motion carried.

Community Comments: Jen Nutini spoke against the upcoming MCHD vaccine clinic being held at our school.

Closing Comments by Board or Superintendent

Dave Boase stated that Mr. DeAugustine deserves praise for his support of the MARESA employee and that personnel issue.

Ron Mariani expressed, on behalf of the board, sympathy for the family of Mrs. Woolard.

Bryan DeAugustine stated that we are creeping back to normal and in light of disagreements that may happen we have great staff. We are doing our best to get through this and if we can hang on a little longer will be back to normal.

Motion by Wendy Pederson supported by Scott Mann to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

President: _____

Secretary: _____