

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, September 19, 2022.**

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

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

Members Absent: None

Administrator's Present: Bryan DeAugustine, Chris Marana, Griffin Lawson, Cliff Fossitt, Nathan Longton

Administrator's Absent: Eric Warlin

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 Kathleen Carlson to move the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Kathleen Carlson to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Kathleen Carlson to approve the General Fund Bills in the amount of \$1,110,185.63 for the period of August 15, 2022 through September 16, 2022; to approve the August payrolls in the amount of \$511,591.29; for total disbursements in the amount of \$1,621,776.92; to approve the Treasurer's Reports of the General Fund with total receipts of \$3,734,003.55 and total disbursements of \$4,782,604.77; to approve the Sinking Fund balance of \$698,256.02 for August 31, 2022. Motion carried.

Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

Bryan DeAugustine reported on the updated required reporting of learning goals in reading and math. He also reported on the grant received by Libby Nelson for 40 Specialized mountain bikes for students and the collaboration with John Jessen and his construction students to build storage sheds for bike storage. Lastly, he mentioned that he'll lead a student advisory group for the second time next month with area students and also talked about the rave system (app) that will be rolled out to staff soon as an option in the event of emergency.

Chris Marana reported on the NWEA testing cycle beginning, learning lab and power hour starting back up in October and thanked the teachers and staff for all of their hard work with the startup of the new school year.

Griffin Lawson reported on the NWEA testing cycle beginning, the annual 7th grade Clear Lake trip, and bringing back the Middle School PTO. He also mentioned that he has two student teachers in the middle school and one senior intern from Negaunee High School.

Cliff Fossitt reported on an attendance incentive that has begun in the high school, high school students going to Aspen Ridge for reading buddies, and the upcoming homecoming festivities.

Nathan Longton reported on the annual Handle With Care training provided on-site to our staff by MARESA staff. He also mentioned new staff training for students with autism.

For Transportation, Facilities, Grounds, & Athletics, Bryan DeAugustine mentioned a message sent out to all families and staff as a reminder to drive slowly on campus. He appreciates the efforts of all of the staff, as well as the leadership provided by Eric Warlin, Jon Beckman and Tammy Sandberg. He also mentioned that our students are representing us well in Fall Sports.

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.

Business / Action Items

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to hire Amanda Adriano as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Scott Mann to grant Lindsey Dionne unpaid medical leave as requested. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Wendy Pederson to accept Janice Fredrickson's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Motion by Scott Mann supported by Kathleen Carlson to accept William Hereford's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to hire Carissa Magnuson as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to hire Heather Rice as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by John Grove supported by Wendy Pederson to hire Crystal Simula as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to hire Brooke Skytta as a Kitchen Server. Motion carried.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by Scott Mann to grant Lisa Smith unpaid leave as requested. Motion carried.

Motion by John Grove supported by Scott Mann to hire Kimberly Zogg as an LRE Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Randy Couveau to authorize the filing of our district's L-4029 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to authorize the liquidation of district equipment as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to accept Kingsford, Menominee and Gladstone into the West Pac for football only as presented. Motion carried.

Community Comments

None

Closing Comments by Board & Superintendent

Kathleen Carlson gave kudos to Ms. Nelson for the bike grant and for Mr. Jessen for working on the storage.

Scott Mann stated that closing the gate on Friday night for the football game was a great idea.

Randy Couveau gave special thanks to Libby Nelson for securing the bike grant and stated that the school community appreciates her work on that. He also mentioned that the WHS attendance incentive is a great idea and thanked Mr. Fossitt for the invite to chaperone the homecoming dance.

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Ron Mariani welcomed Steve Baril to his first board meeting of his term. He also congratulated the fall sports teams on their successes so far.

Bryan DeAugustine thanked everyone for a good start to the new school year.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

President: _____

Secretary: _____