

**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, December 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, Ron Mariani, Wendy Pederson

Members Absent: Scott Mann

Administrator's Present: Bryan DeAugustine, Chris Marana, Nathan Longton, Eric Warlin

Administrator's Absent: Cliff Fossitt, Griffin Lawson

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 move the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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 approve the General Fund Bills in the amount of \$1,171,413.18 for the period of November 21, 2022 through December 16, 2022; to approve the November payrolls in the amount of \$691,404.87; for total disbursements in the amount of \$1,862,818.05; to approve the Treasurer's Reports of the General Fund with total receipts of \$1,343,635.93 and total disbursements of \$1,515,883.21; to approve the Sinking Fund balance of \$507,503.17 for November 30, 2022. Motion carried.

### Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

Bryan DeAugustine reported on the Special Education regional millage disbursement of funds, gave an athletics update and also reported on the status of the school resource officer. He also reported for both Griffin Lawson and Cliff Fossitt that things are steady at both the middle and high schools and everyone is looking forward to a break for the holidays. He also mentioned the successful musical performances for both band and chorus. Lastly, he mentioned that facilities and grounds leadership is still a work in progress, but things are smoothing out.

Chris Marana thanked all involved in making the Christmas program a success again this year. He also reported that the food collections this year totaled 3,700 pounds donated to St. Vincent's.

Nathan Longton was happy to report that the SCI program has resumed field trips with recent trips to both NMU for a peer to peer event and to Thomas Theater.

Eric Warlin reported that the bus fleet passed the Department of Transportation inspections with flying colors.

### Committee Reports

Academic Achievement – No activity this month.

Finance and Ops – No activity this month.

Personnel – No activity this month.

Policy – First Reading of Policy updates.

Sinking Fund – No activity this month.

**Business / Action Items**

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to hire Gabby Hebert as an assistant basketball coach. Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to accept Lisa Smith's letter of resignation. Motion carried.

**Motion by Steve Baril supported by Randy Couveau** to purchase two buses as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Steve Baril	aye	Kathleen Carlson	aye	Randy Couveau	aye
John Grove	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to authorize our planned service agreement with Johnson Controls as presented. Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to recognize the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of NEOLA Policy updates Volume 37 Number 1 as presented.

**Community Comments**

None

**Closing Comments by Board & Superintendent**

Ron Mariani thanked the staff and administration and wished everyone a happy holiday season. He also thanked Wendy Pederson and Randy Couveau for their service on the board.

John Grove wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Kathleen Carlson thanked Eric Warlin for his work in the transportation department.

Wendy Pederson thanked her fellow board members and stated that she has learned a lot in her 12 years on the board and will miss it.

Steve Baril stated that he has enjoyed his time working with both Wendy and Randy and thanked them for their service to the board.

Randy Couveau thanked Bryan DeAugustine for his efforts with the special education fund disbursement. He also stated that he is happy that others have stepped up to run for and get elected to the board. He has enjoyed his time and thanked everyone.

Bryan DeAugustine thanked Wendy Pederson and Randy Couveau for their service on the board.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove** to enter into Closed Session under Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the Superintendent Evaluation. Motion carried.

The meeting entered closed session at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:42 p.m.

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**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Randy Couveau** to authorize the Superintendent's Evaluation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Steve Baril	aye	Kathleen Carlson	aye	Randy Couveau	aye
John Grove	aye	Ron Mariani	aye	Wendy Pederson	aye

Motion carried.

**Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by Steve Baril** to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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

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