

PROPOSED MINUTES
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
August 21, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Keith Williams

Members Present: D.VanBrunt, J.Terakedis, K.Williams, A.Gast, H.Ruttkofsky, R.Tessier

Members Absent: R.Reynolds

Others Present: S.Head, K.Springer, T.Comden, M.Prettyman, V.Prettyman, K.Lafolette, T.Stull, D.Stull, M.Davis, A.Ellison, A.Moore, H.Thompson, K.Bjorem, C.Garrison

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Williams. The Mission Statement was read by President Williams.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the agenda Seconded by J. Terakedis. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to approve the minutes of the July 17th, 2023 Board Meeting. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of July 2023 in the amount of **\$994,260.42**. Seconded by J.Terakedis. Motion Carried 6-0.

Comments from the Audience: A.Ellison 7895 Wadding Dr. as a parent is excited to have her kids start the school year as well as an exchange student. Not worried about them having the support they need for the upcoming school year.

Reports - No building reports for the month of August

Motion by H.Ruttkofsky to acknowledge the hiring of Kyle Bjorem - HS ELA, Andrew Moore - HS Social Studies, John McCormick - HS Art, Rachael Schroeder- Secondary Instructional Coach, William Kish - MS Graduation Coach, Ruth Ford-Arnett - Transport Para/Cook/Cashier, Samantha Kerr - ES Para, Carmen Pelham - Cook/Cashier, Kaylene Hayes - Mental Health Specialist, Deborah Patrick - ES Para. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion by H.Ruttkofsky to accept with regret the resignation of LeeAnn McMichael - HS Art, Hannah Silveiria - ES Para, Kevin Merrill - HS Social Studies, Jennifer Gorsuch - HS Math. Seconded by A.Gast. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to approve the Milk Bid from Prairie Farms for the 2023-2024 school year. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the fuel bid from Avery Oil and Propane for diesel and Lyon's LPG fuel for propane for the 2023-2024 school year. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion carried 6-0

Motion by D.VanBrunt to approve the Camera Server Purchase from Redletter for \$46,524.00. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent's Report: Finance will meet next month. A board workshop will be scheduled. Today was the welcome back for the staff with close to 200 employees. We have a lot of great learning going on this week re: MTSS, literacy, PBIS, safety, de escalation training. We are really working on adding additional emotional/mental health support for our kids in all buildings. We have added a mental health specialist to the elementary and will have support in the High School from the LISD 5 days a week. Tomorrow is the welcome back picnic with the board serving hot dogs. There will be a 6th grade orientation from 3-4 and open houses in all buildings from 4-6. We are still searching for our athletic trainer. We have 4 OCS employees working on the Michigan Talent Together program to become certified teachers.

Board Member Comments:

H.Ruttkofsky - Welcome to the new folks. Do buildings need anything?

R.Tessier - Meet the Team night was really cool. Looking forward to back to school night. Welcome to all the new staff.

A.Gast - Sad to see the resignations but exciting to see everybody that is coming in.

K.Williams - Kudos to the grounds team for getting campus looking so good. It is looking really great.

D.VanBrunt - Thanks to the new staff for coming to the meeting.

J.Terakedis - Welcome to the new staff. Meet the Team night was a very great event. Looking forward to the new year.

Motion by J.Terakdis to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by D.VanBrunt

Meeting adjourned at 7:47p.m.

David VanBrunt, Secretary
Board of Education
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