

PROPOSED MINUTES
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
December 19, 2022

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

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: D.Blank, A.Aiken, T.Comden, J.Kelly, J.Woods, M.Davis, A.Ellison, P.Burch, K.Springer, S.Head

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Williams. Vision and Mission Statements were read by President Williams.

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by D.VanBrunt
Motion carried 7-0

Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2022 meeting. Seconded by J.Terakedis. Motion carried 7-0 .

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of November 2022 in the amount of **\$1,028,732.88**. Seconded by R.Tessier Motion Carried 7-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - K.Terakedis presented the updates for the Elementary and High School. From the Elementary - Thanks to Representative Bellino and Senator Zorn for making the time last week to discuss the roadblocks that the MTTC test has created in regards to addressing our statewide teacher shortage. Dr.Kyle Griffith, Nate Parker and Marsha met virtually with them to discuss concerns. Mrs.Davis has invited them to Onsted to see our teachers in action. Congratulations to Miss Larson! She has presented 3 wonderful musical presentations with our 2nd, 4th and 5th grade students. Classroom holiday parties will be taking place this week. From the High School, winter sports are in full swing. The band has had some great Christmas concerts and they also performed a glow show for the elementary and middle school. Looking forward to a strong finish to the first semester with exams coming soon. The High School just started a short week that includes Christmas spirit days and a cornhole tournament on Thursday. They are looking forward to the Christmas break! A.Ellison will report on the middle school.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: Pastor Dick Blank-904 Pentecost Hwy. spoke on his beliefs regarding The Marriage Equality Act and the effect on schools. Joe Marcyan - spoke about athletic financials and the Lenawee United Hockey Club.

REPORTS -

Students of the Month from November- A.Ellison read the MS Students of the month. T.Comden read the HS Students of the month.

Middle School Building Report - A.Ellison presented the Middle School MTSS Status Report. The new MS gym bleachers were installed and passed inspection. The cafeteria's audio has been upgraded including cordless microphones. New sound system has been installed in the gym. Additional cameras have been installed throughout the middle school. The new outdoor

equipment is being used on a regular basis. 182 students have accessed the student access center. The center has tools for kids to access on their own. Ms.Martell is participating in the Michigan DNR Salmon in the Classroom program. Her students are caring for the salmon which will be released into an approved waterway. A.Aiken shared that Youth in Government went to Lansing and were on the news. The students are very interested in running for some of the bigger positions next year.

EMPLOYMENT

Motion by A.Gast to acknowledge the hire of Vickie Kennedy - MS Paraprofessional and Sadie Miller -MS Cafeteria/Paraprofessional. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the maternity leave request of Jessica Tillotson - Elementary Special Ed teacher. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion Carried 7-0

DISCUSSION - We received a bid from Current to have the track resurfaced. They did the repainting of the track last summer. Current is the low bid to replace the rubber top surface of the track for \$111,250.00. They still have openings to resurface the track next summer.

Damien and our track coaches feel we can get another couple of seasons out of the track before doing the resurfacing, and it would help us to extend the life of the track a little further if we waited till the summer of '24. Thrun law was consulted to see if we could hold the funds for this project and they have informed us that we can hold the funds for the resurfacing as long as we have spent down to 15% of the funds available.

Overall, we have about \$283,407 to still use between Series One and Series Two. Most of the remaining funds are from Series One. There was discussion regarding holding off on the resurfacing and re-evaluating the track next year to make a decision. We have other tech needs to use some of the money as well including EL media center sound, EL cafeteria sound, and a new electric sign for the front if bond funds can be used for the sign.

ACTION -

Motion by R.Tessier to approve the NEOLA Update Vol.37, No.1 as presented Policies/Bylaws include: Bylaw 0144.1- Compensation(Revised),Policy 6108- Authorization to Use Electronic Transfer of Funds and Automated Clearing House Arrangements Policy 6460- Vendor Relations, Policy 6700- Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), Policy 7440.03- Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS), Policy 8805- Flags and Displays, Policy 9150- School Visitors. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by J.Terakedis to table action to go into executive session for the purpose of superintendent evaluation until end of regular meeting. Seconded A.Gast. Motion Carried 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS - no committee reports this month.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Discussed the strategic plan implementation timeline goals, the steps taken and progress we have made in each area. This information will be posted on the OCS website. There will be a board and admin workshop coming up in the next couple of months to review the plan. The matrix on SOC was shared. 85% of Onsted resident students attend Onsted Schools. This is a very positive number. 292 students are attending from out of district. The net change is 178 in the positive. We are doing very well in SOC. We tend to bring in a large number of special ed students due to the programs that we offer. We have received a

number of donations from our community and staff for the students who have negative lunch money funds.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A.Gast thanked Mrs. Ellison for the MS report and thanked Tony for all he does for the district. He also mentioned that the elementary Pirates of Pinataville presentation was awesome.

R.Reynolds wished everyone a Merry Christmas and mentioned the MS and HS band did a great job at the holiday concert. J.Terakedis thanked Tony for representing what is best about this school by dedicating himself and going above and beyond for this school. He wished everyone a Happy Holidays. K.Williams thanked Joe for coming to the meeting and discussing the topics he presented. He assured him that we will drill down into the expenses for athletics. D. VanBrunt wished everyone a Happy Holidays. H. Ruttkofsky wished everyone a Happy Holidays and commented on how great the building reports are and how excited the administrators are about what they are doing. R.Tessier wished all a Happy Holidays and thanked Joe for coming regarding Lenawee United Hockey. He also thanked everyone for coming and for everything they all do for the district. He asked if there was ever anything he could do for the buildings to please let him know. H.Ruttkofsky echoed the same.

Motion by A.Gast to move into closed session at 8:32 pm for the purpose of Superintendent Evaluation. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Roll Call Vote: H.Ruttkofsky - yes, K.Williams - yes, J.Terakedis - yes, R.Reynolds - yes, A.Gast - yes, R.Tessier - yes, D.VanBrunt - yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by R.Reynolds to go back into open session at 9:40pm. Seconded by A.Gast.

Meeting reopened at 9:40pm

Motion by J.Terakedis to rate Superintendent Head with a Highly Effective Rating and a one year contract extension. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by D.VanBrunt to adjourn meeting at 9:43pm. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary
Board of Education
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