PROPOSED ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING February 19, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jason Terakedis

Members Present: K. Williams, A. Gast, R. Tessier, J. Terakedis, D. Van Brunt

Members Absent: H.Ruttkofsky, R.Reynolds

Others Present: S.Head, K.Springer, A.Strong, T.Aiken, C.McMichael, T.Comden, M.Davis, A.Ellison

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

Motion by K.Williams to approve the agenda with the deletion of the band report. Seconded by A.Gast. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by D.VanBrunt to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2024 Special Board Meeting. Seconded by R.Tessier . Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of January 2024 in the amount of \$1,110,805.82. Seconded by K.Williams. Motion Carried 5-0

Student Representative Report: Kaylee Rankin presented the Student Representative Report as follows: The middle school would like to recognize Tanya Anderson, our behavioral specialist as National Counseling Week was February 5-9th. The Middle School is in the middle of our annual fundraiser, working to improve our outdoor areas with turf and purchase additional items for students to play games with. This fundraiser is extra fun, with the day of Awesomeness in May for those who qualify. We are also already planning for Spring, planning the Spring Expo (April 15th). March is Reading Month and our ELA team has already planned a fun month. Of course, this also means our annual Talent Show is underway. At the HS: We had another successful winter Homecoming that included a couple of fun assemblies. This included the return of the student vs staff Basketball game. Jonah Raglow and JayElle Christian were crowned as King and Queen at half time of the Varsity Homecoming game. The winter formal dance at the Adrian College Boathouse was a great time and well attended. Winter sports are entering the post season with many successes already, and Spring sports sign ups are happening already. HS Band festival is this Thursday at 7:30 at Adrian HS. The next few months promise to be busy as we look towards parent teacher conferences, spring break, MME testing, field trips and a variety of Senior activities. Stay tuned.

Comments from the Audience: Craig McMichael Associate Pastor at Gateway Church in Onsted 238 Westland Court - Thank you to the school for continuing to allow the KYB program. 130 kids are attending KYB release time each week from the elementary school. March 20th is a free event for the community in the HS auditeria @6pm. Flyers are around the community.

Reports - A.Ellison announced the MS students of the month. T.Comden announced the HS students of the month. M.Davis gave a report for the elementary. They are almost at the 80% goal for the 3rd tier in reading. This is a huge achievement and shows that systems that have been put in place are working. We are working with Siena for very beneficial "grow your own"

opportunities which are very exciting. Our Preschool is growing and going well. Kindergarten Roundup is coming up on April 17th.

Motion by A.Gast to acknowledge the hiring of Ashli Coleman - Transport Para/Cook/Cashier and Jennifer Pummell - 5th Grade Teacher. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion Carried 5-0

Discussion - Discussion on the reinstatement of Board compensation was proposed by K.Williams. This was suspended 13 years ago due to layoffs and a large fund deficit. Motion by K.Williams to move the board compensation item to an action item at the March meeting. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by K.Williams to approve the Budget Amendment as presented. Seconded by A.Gast Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by D.VanBrunt to approve Sehi Computer server purchase of \$16,030.72. Seconded by R.Tessier Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by K.Williams to approve the Sehi Lab 24 Computers purchase in the amount of \$38,290.32. Seconded by D.VanBrunt Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to approve the Nerd Express, Inc. Network and Fiber Upgrade Bid Purchase of \$219,631.56. Seconded by K.Williams Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to table the D&P phone purchase until questions regarding service agreement are clarified. Seconded by K.Williams. Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the Superintendent Search Plan/Job Posting as presented. Seconded by R.Tessier Motion Carried 5-0.

Committee Reports: Finance Committee met tonight to discuss the budget amendment as well as contract negotiations.

The Superintendent's Report: We finished up the DCA with the DIT team. We scored over 90% which means the systems in all of our buildings are almost completely in place and we are making great strides. Shout out to our school counselors for school counselor week last week. This Thursday is Bus driver appreciation day. We have some really cool things going on for them. Athletic Updates - Competitive Cheer team is off to a really tough regional this weekend, Bowling is wrapping up this weekend with regionals. Boys Basketball Districts is this, We will be hosting Girls BBall Districts in March. We have had some really great band solo and ensembles this year.

## **Board Member Comments:**

K.Williams - Thank you everyone for your service and attending. Looking forward to negotiations.

A.Gast - Would like to recognize Anita and Marsha as well as Craig for your work in the community.

R.Tessier - Thanks all for coming and to acknowledge that Lenawee United Hockey has had their best season ever.

D. VanBrunt - Thank everyone for the reports as well as a special thanks to Anita

J.Terakedis - Thank you to the entire staff for all of the educational, arts and athletic opportunities that our students are given within our district.

Motion by A.Gast to go into closed session for contract negotiations. Seconded by K.Williams. Roll Call Vote - K.Williams - Yes, A.Gast, Yes, J.Terakedis - Yes, R.Tessier - Yes, D.VanBrunt-Yes - Motion Carried 5-0.

Meeting moved into closed session at 8:42pm

Meeting reopened at 9:13pm

Motion by A. Gast to adjourn meeting at 9:13pm. Seconded by K. Williams

Meeting adjourned at 9:13pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary Board of Education DVB:nlr