

PROPOSED
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
January 15, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Superintendent Steve Head

Members Present: R.Tessier, H.Ruttkofsky, A.Gast, J.Terakedis, R.Reynolds

Members Absent: K.Williams, D.VanBrunt

Others Present: T.Comden, C.Garrison, D.Biringer, M.Swirple, C.McMichael, C.Pennington, K.Springer, S.Head

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Steve Head. The Mission Statement was read by Superintendent Steve Head.

Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the agenda. Seconded by R.Tessier . Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2023 Board Meeting. Seconded by A.Gast. Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of December 2023 in the amount of \$1,158,192.53. Seconded by J.Terakedis . Motion Carried 5-0.

Student Representative Report: Representative not in attendance due to MLK day/school closed
Comments from the Audience: None

Semiannual Reorganization Meeting:

Election of Officers:

Motion by A.Gast to elect J.Terakedis as Board President. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky . Roll call vote: Reynolds-yes, Terakedis-abstained, Gast-yes, Tessier-yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by H.Ruttkofsky to elect R.Tessier as Board Vice-President. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Ruttkofsky- yes, Tessier - abstained. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by R.Reynolds to re-elect A.Gast as Board Treasurer. Seconded by R.Tessier . Roll call vote: Terakedis-yes, Reynolds-yes, Gast-abstained, Ruttkofsky- yes, Tessier - yes Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to re-elect D.VanBrunt as Board Secretary. Seconded by A.Gast . Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Ruttkofsky- yes, Tessier- yes. Motion carried 5 -0.

Auditor Appointment:

Motion by A.Gast to re-appoint Meredith Francis, CPA as auditor. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Ruttkofsky- yes, Tessier- yes. Motion carried 5 -0.

Committee Appointments:

Athletic: Gast, Ruttkofsky, VanBrunt
Bond: Tessier, Terakedis, VanBrunt
Building/Grounds: Reynolds, Terakedis, Williams
Curriculum/School Improvement: Tessier, Ruttkofsky, Gast
Finance: Gast, Terakedis, Williams
Personnel: Ruttkofsky, Reynolds, VanBrunt
Policy: Tessier, Reynolds, Williams
LCASB Representative: Jason Terakedis, Ray Tessier (Alternate)
MASB Representatives: Gast, VanBrunt-Alternate

Motion by A.Gast to accept Committee Appointments with the only change being to the LCASB representatives. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports -

Student of the month will be reported next month for December/January.

Superintendent Search Firm Presentations

Mark Palmer from MASB presented on the MASB proposal to serve as the Superintendent Search Firm. Dr. Randy Liepa presented the Michigan Leadership Institute proposal to serve as the Superintendent Search firm.

Tim Comden presented the HS Building Report. School Resource Officer Matt Swirple was introduced to the board. Principal T.Comden discussed MLK day DPPD, staffing updates, MTSS School Improvement. The instructional coach is settling in well and creating relationships with other staff members. Academic Options that are being offered, MMC is going well and we have 8 students working toward this with 2 graduated, Dual enrollment is getting more popular with approx. 39 enrolled, Tech Center has approx. 79 students enrolled, Work based learning thru the LISD has approx. 13 students involved. There was also an update on Onsted on the Go.

Motion by A.Gast to acknowledge the hiring of Sherri Hardin-Cook/Cashier. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky . Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by R.Tessier to accept the retirements of Brenda Whitehead- Cook/Cashier, Susan McGrath - Cook/Cashier, Mark McKeen - Custodian. Seconded by R.Reynolds . Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held on the Superintendent Search Firms. A special meeting will be called to select a search firm.

Discussion on the 1st reading of the November 2023 NEOLA Policy Update. The Policies/Bylaws include: Policy 0122-Board Powers, Policy 1420 School Administrator Evaluation, Policy 3131- Staff Reductions/Recalls, Policy 3142-Probationary Teachers, Policy 3220- Professional Staff Evaluation, Policy 3120-Employment of Professional Staff, Policy 3139-Staff Discipline, Policy 3130-Assignment and Transfer, Policy 3132-Vacancies, and Policy 3140-Termination and Resignation.

Committee Reports: The policy committee met on December 21, 2023 and discussed the November 2023 NEOLA Policy Updates.

Superintendent's Report - S.Head shared his appreciation for the Board of Education members and the working relationship with them. Steve will be at MASA in Detroit next week. Please RSVP for the LCASB dinner.

Board Member Comments:

R.Tessier - Thanks everyone for coming and thank you to Tim for the HS report.

H.Ruttkofsky - Thanks to everyone for coming and participating in the Superintendent search.

A.Gast - Thank you to Keith for his time as president. He has done a great job.

J.Terakedis - Thank you to Keith Williams for his role as President. Thanks for placing faith in me in this new role. Thank you for the HS report and to everyone for coming.

R.Reynolds - Thank you to the community members for showing up. Looking forward to working with the board.

A.Gast motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:22pm. Seconded by R.Reynolds

Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary
Board of Education
DVB:nlr