

PROPOSED MINUTES
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
November 21, 2022

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

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

Members Absent: D.VanBrunt

Others Present: K.Springer, S.Head, A.Aiken, D.Blank, A.Strong, T.Comden, M.Davis, A.Ellison, G.Gemalsky, M.Gemalsky

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

Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the agenda. Seconded by R.Tessier
Motion carried 6-0

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2022 meeting. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of October 2022 in the amount of \$1,108,484.94. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky Motion Carried 6-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - No student report this month Middle School report by A. Ellison- 1st 9 weeks incentive awards coming soon. Salmon in Martel's classroom. Sound is being installed and bleachers are in. The soccer awards banquet used the sound equipment tonight. High School report given by T.Comden - NHS banquet at Adrian College went well, Fall teacher conferences, blood drive, transitioning from fall to winter sports, Toys for Tots drive, Christmas concert December 7th.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: Tony Aiken - Congratulate board members on their re-election. He relayed his thoughts that the board is a very solid group and thanked them for their work. Pastor Dick Blank - 904 Pentecost Hwy. Onsted - Spoke on the word of God.

REPORTS -

Students of the Month from October- A.Ellison read the Middle School Student of the Month names. T.Comden read the High School Student of the Month names.

Elementary Building Report - Focusing on successfully using MTSS and Evidence Based Literacy Practices. Kindergarteners are not being pulled out for interventions yet, but they are receiving it in the classroom. The small class sizes that we have are good for the increased needs of our students. We have a lot of younger students with lots of needs. District Explicit Instruction Implementation plan - Coaches are gathering data for 2-3 strategies this year. There are 22 teachers in the elementary school who are currently doing the LETRS training. Attendance in the elementary is being discussed by the attendance team, meeting every other week. This is regarding students that miss school, arrive late, or leave early. Parent Teacher Conferences were well attended at 97% attendance. Creative Cats Club with Mr. Jensen has been well received, Willy Wonka was presented by 5th grade, Piper Chamberlain was the winner of the River Raisin Watershed Poster Contest, Halloween was fun with everyone being back in the building. Zack

Mercurio is the current LISD School Psychologist and he is doing great. Youth basketball is going and we had the tournament here with about 75 teams. Family Reading night was last week with pickleball instruction as well. Pickleball is getting very popular with the weather getting cold so if other gyms have space it would be great to set up more courts.

EMPLOYMENT

Motion by A.Gast to accept with regret the resignation of LaToya Gibbs - MS Paraprofessional and Rachael Stace -ES Paraprofessional. Seconded by R.Tessier. Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION

NEOLA Update Vol.37, No.1 (1st Reading)

Policies/Bylaws include: Bylaw 0144.1- Compensation(Revised) - K.Williams requested to put this as an action item for the annual meeting., 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. This will be moved to an action item at the December meeting for the 2nd reading.

ACTION

Snow Removal Bid - One bid was received for snow removal from Adams Property Services. Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the Snow Removal Bid as presented. Seconded by R.Reynolds Motion passed 6-0.

2022 Reproductive Health handbook (2nd Reading). Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the 2022 Reproductive Health Handbook. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky. Motion passed 6-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee report -Set to move forward with Series 3 of bond work. Resolution to start the process will be at the February meeting. May 11th the bond will be closed and the funds will be deposited in the construction account and can be used. We will be purchasing 3 new propane buses. On the tech side, we will be upgrading our phone systems and some other technology purchases. We are going to put a technology committee in place and one issue that will be discussed is a replacement process.

Bleachers are being installed in MS in the next couple of weeks from Series 2 bond.

We have experienced a drop in student count. We are looking at why we are losing students and areas we can make changes to bring students back. We are looking at graduation requirements, Alternative Ed programs, hours per day, and other areas.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Village water project is moving forward. We are dealing with a water boil advisory. We will have more traffic issues in the spring with the paving of major roads. Please let Karen know if you are interested in attending the Legislative Breakfast. Congratulations to R.Tessier, K.Williams, and J.Terakedis for being elected to the Board

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A.Gast - Thanks to Marsha and Gina for coming and presenting. The Creative Cats and Pickleball have been great.

R.Reynolds - Congratulations to the three elected board members and Happy Thanksgiving.

J.Terakedis - Appreciate the trust and support from the community regarding the election. Fall sports were great. Winter sports have started and I am really impressed with the involvement of the community.

K.Williams - Thank you and congrats to Ray Tessier and Jason Terakedis - Thank you to Courtney Chamberlain for running.

D. VanBrunt - Absent

H. Ruttkofsky - Happy Thanksgiving. Thanks to everyone for running for office. Reached out to Courtney Chamberlain regarding the election. Very appreciative of a note from son's teacher.

The engagement is very much appreciated

R.Tessier - Willy Wonka was awesome. Thanks to all the fall sport coaches and to the community for the election.

Motion by A.Gast to move into closed session at 8:35pm for the purpose of superintendent evaluation. Seconded by R.Tessier. Roll Call vote - R.Tessier - Yes, H.Ruttkofsky - Yes, A.Gast - Yes, K.Williams - Yes, J.Terakedis - Yes, R.Reynolds - Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting moved to closed session at 8:35pm

Meeting reopened at 9:13pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:13pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary
Board of Education
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