

PROPOSED MINUTES  
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
September 20th, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Todd Gentner.

Members Present: A. Gast, T. Gentner, J. Terakedis, R. Reynolds, D. VanBrunt, K. Williams

Members Absent: H. Ruttkofsky

Others Present: S. Head, B. Boughton, M. Davis, A. Ellison, J. Woods, J. Kelly, T. Comden, P. Stark, A. Rogers, K. Webb, K. Smith, M. Amthor, M. Rivera, E. Nighswander, K. Bartenslager, M. Biek, S. Peters, M. Wagner, B. Wagner, A. Roesch, S. Cunningham, J. Chamberlain, C. Chamberlain, A. Jewell, K. Head, O. Garrison, A. Lamb, C. Garrison, J. Daweritz, A. Daweritz

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

Motion by Gast to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Reynolds. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion by Terakedis to approve the minutes of the August 16th, 2021 Board Meeting. Seconded by Gast. Motion Carried 6-0.

Motion by Williams to approve the disbursements for the month of August 2021 in the amount of \$1,012,106.10. Seconded by VanBrunt. Motion Carried 6-0.

Comments from the Audience: Scott Peters (9042 Rome Rd, Adrian MI 49221) spoke about quarantine matters for healthy kids and due process of law. Marsha Davis (11820 Slee Rd, Onsted MI 49265) introduced her new elementary teachers to the board. Justin Chamberlain (161 Twin Lakes Dr, Onsted MI 49265) spoke regarding a possible impending mask mandate, personal liability, school board decision making, and parent choice. Gabriel Wallace (212 Barbara Dr, Brooklyn MI 49230) spoke about current procedures at the Columbia Central School District and about the effects of isolation. Anthony Jewell (6985 Onsted Hwy, Onsted MI 49265) demonstrated oxygen levels/CO2 levels while masked, using a CO2 monitor. Sarah Cunningham (11548 Lakeview Dr, Brooklyn MI 49230) expressed concerns about not allowing parents in the buildings and feeling disconnected from the district. Annette Roesch (318 Parkside Dr, Onsted MI 49265) presented some data on suicide rates and bacteria found on masks, and expressed the desire for parent choice to decide what is best for individual students/safety. Phil Stark (Transportation Director) spoke about needing bus drivers. Building principals shared upcoming district information: NWEA, book fairs in the elementary and middle school, PTO Ice Cream Social on Friday, September 24th 2021, 6th Grade Camp, upcoming conferences in October, and upcoming Homecoming events to look forward to.

Motion by Reynolds to accept with regret the resignation of Don Buiten, Middle School Lunchroom Assistant, Lisa Johnston, Elementary Paraprofessional, Christine Verville, High School Spanish Teacher, and Leonard Mohr, Bus Driver. Seconded by Williams. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Gast to approve the hire of Debbie Wobrock, Custodian, Matthew Rivera, Elementary Teacher, Michelle Nieto, Elementary Recess Aide, and Teresa Pawson, Temporary/Sub Custodian. Seconded by Terakedis. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by VanBrunt to approve the purchase of new bus cameras for seven school buses from Pro-Vision, for the total amount of \$15,043.00. Seconded by Williams. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Head reviewed the current construction projects, delays, and timeframes. The project is close to the end of Series 2. The top asphalt coat will be laid over the weekend, and new sidewalks and drainage are complete. There are new monitors in the classrooms, and new furniture will arrive over Christmas break. Last week was the first home football game against Columbia Central. The Kiwanis Scholarship Dinner will take place at 4:30 on October 8th, 2021. The State Superintendent's Conference takes place this week in Traverse City, Michigan.

Motion by Williams to move to Executive Session for the purpose of Superintendent evaluation at 8:01 p.m. Seconded by Reynolds. Roll Call Vote: Reynolds- yes, Gast-yes, Terakedis-yes, Gentner -yes, Williams-yes. Van-Brunt-yes. Motion Carried 6-0.

Meeting reopened at 8:52 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

David VanBrunt, Secretary

Board of Education

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