

PROPOSED MINUTES  
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
ONLINE MEETING (ZOOM)  
November 16th, 2020

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

Members Present: K. Brooks, R. Curtis, T. Gentner, K. Williams, J. Terakedis, H. Ruttkofsky, D. VanBrunt

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: S. Head, B. Pratt, K. Ohrman, A. Ellison, M. Davis, R. Raglow, K. Head, P. Jensen, D. Tison, J. Johnson, L. Dowling, R. Reynolds, L. Gifford, G. Gemalsky, M. Barth, V. Kennedy, H. Nelson, K. Dennis, T. Puckett, J. Tillotson, P. Stark, J. Hutchinson, A. Gast, J. Rankin, S. Callahan, K. Stark, A. Reynolds, T. Hunt, J. Reed, L. George

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

Motion by Ruttkofsky to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Terakedis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Curtis- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Brooks to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting and October 19, 2020. Seconded by Terakedis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Curtis- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Williams to approve the disbursements for the month of October 2020 in the amount of \$1,349,239.73. Seconded by Curtis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Curtis- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Comments from the Audience:

T. Gentner addressed an incident with political paraphernalia and how this incident was handled with the employee. He also addressed that per our attorneys we are required as a school to follow MDHHS orders and mandates.

J. Rankin, 13608 Slee Rd, Manitou Beach, MI 49253, spoke to address that she has been told by multiple students that the incident with the employee was not a one time incident.

J. Reed, 16432 Manitou Rd, Manitou Beach, MI 49253, spoke about worries that Onsted is too divided and that we all need to get on the same page.

S. Head reported that he is always happy to set up meetings with concerned families/parents and K. Ohrman.

## Reports:

M. Davis gave a status update on the Tiered Fidelity Inventory at the Elementary. G. Gemalsky spoke about literacy coaching and the new position posted for a Secondary Literacy Coach. A video presentation was provided by the Elementary specials team.

C. Verville spoke about a possible Galapagos Island trip in 2022, which was moved to action (Action Item #31).

Students of the month from the High School and Middle School were recognized.

Student Representative Report: M. Barth reported on notable events happening in the district. The Middle School Media Center has had furniture delivered. High School students began their scheduled Zoom meetings today; sports have been postponed. All schools are transitioning to distance learning.

Motion by Curtis to accept with regret the resignations of Sherry Costelli (only resigning her Middle School lunchroom position), and Ryan Callahan (bus driver). Seconded by Terakedis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Curtis- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion was held regarding age relevancy in Sex Education and staying up to date. The Middle School plans to stay with the current grade level for this year (7th Grade), but move to 6th Grade for the 2021-2022 school year. Boys and girls will be kept separate.

Motion by Williams to approve the OCS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan and October Attendance rate as presented. Seconded by Terakedis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Curtis-yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Second reading of NEOLA Policies fall update were held as follows: Policy 7440-Facility Security; Policy 8450.01-Protective Facial Coverings During Pandemic/Epidemic; AG 7420F-Hand Washing Protocol; po4362.01-Threatening Behavior Towards Staff Members. Policy 5610-Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students; Policy5611-Due Process Rights.

Motion by Brooks to approve the NEOLA Policies fall update. Seconded by Ruttkofsky. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Curtis-yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Terakedis to approve the 2020-2021 Snow Removal Bid. Seconded by Curtis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Curtis-yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Terakedis to approve the 2022 High School Spanish Trip to the Galapagos Islands. Seconded by Ruttkofsky. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Curtis-yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Committee Reports: None

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Head thanked R. Curtis and K. Brooks for their years of service to the Onsted Board of Education. He congratulated newly elected members R. Reynolds and C. Gast, and re-elected member D. VanBrunt, who will take office in January 2021. He would like to do a board work session with current and incoming board members on December 14th, 2020. He addressed the COVID situation in Lenawee County, and reminded board members about the upcoming Virtual Legislative Breakfast on December 11th.

Motion by Ruttkofsky to move to Executive Session at 8:52 p.m. for the purpose of Superintendent Evaluation. Seconded by Terakedis. Roll Call Vote: VanBrunt- yes, Terakedis- yes, Gentner- yes, Curtis-yes, Brooks- yes, Williams- yes, Ruttkofsky-yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting reopened at 9:20 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 pm.

Kevin Brooks, Secretary  
Board of Education  
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