

PROPOSED MINUTES  
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
November 22nd, 2021

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

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

Members Absent: H. Ruttkofsky, D. VanBrunt

Others Present: S. Head, B. Boughton, M. Davis, J. Woods, J. Kelly, A. Strong, G. Gemalsky, D. Hiram, P. Stark, P. Tessier, J. Chamberlain, C. Chamberlain, E. Fouty, S. Peters, J. Rankin, J. Rankin, O. Garrison, M. Garrison, R. Blank, D. Ross, D. England, J. Christian, J. McRobert, B. Freshcorn, M. Freshcorn, M. VanBrunt, M. Schultz, T. Comden (arrived 7:01 pm), C. Garrison (arrived 7:12 pm)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Williams.

Vision and Mission Statements were read by President Williams.

Motion by Terakedis to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Gast. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Reynolds to approve the minutes of the October 25th, 2021 Board Meeting. Seconded by Terakedis. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of October 2021 in the amount of \$1,439,515.46. Seconded by Terakedis. Motion carried 5-0.

Comments from the Audience: Pastor Richard Blank (904 Pentecost Hwy, Onsted MI 49265) spoke regarding the 2020 election, parents participating in board meetings, and upcoming prayer sessions with various pastors in Onsted. Justin Chamberlain (161 Twin Lakes Dr, Onsted MI 49265) spoke about a recent FOIA request for information communicated between Superintendent Steve Head and the Lenawee County Health Department. Courtney Chamberlain (161 Twin Lakes Dr, Onsted MI 49265) yielded her time to Justin Chamberlain to continue his comments regarding the FOIA request. President Williams addressed some formal questions submitted to the board by Scott Peters (9042 Rome Rd, Adrian MI 49221) regarding quarantines for healthy kids.

Reports: Elementary Principal Marsha Davis and Literacy Coach Gina Gemalsky presented a Title I report for the Elementary Building. Marsha Davis spoke about structures set up within the building for interventions and programs to promote engagement among families. Gina Gemalsky shared BIT Team information and goal alignment around literacy. Tim Comden presented the High School Students of the Month. Steve Head presented the Middle School Students of the Month. Marsha Davis presented the Elementary Students of the Month (Wildcats of the Week).

Student Representative Report: Annika Berg spoke about events happening around the district. The middle school had its first assembly with NFL player Shawn Harper, OMS Builder's Club raised \$613 and 506 hygiene items for homeless and hungry students in the community, and has its first formal dance coming up. The high school volleyball team won a regional championship, Annika Berg made it to the state golf tournament, and field trips are happening.

Motion by Gast to approve the hire of Siara Niner, GSRP Associate Teacher, Gwen Sutka, GSRP Associate Teacher, Chantelle Talley, Elementary Lunchroom, Michelle Garland, Elementary Paraprofessional, Jodie Sherman, Middle School Social Studies Teacher, Denise Huff, Middle School Cook/Cashier, Evan Reed, Middle School Lunchroom, Jaemi Godette, Combined Support Position, and Donald Williams, Part-Time/Sub Bus Driver. Seconded by Tessier. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Terakedis to accept with regret the resignation of Debbie Wobrock, Custodian. Seconded by Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Terakedis to accept with regret and well wishes the retirement of Bill Morse, Middle School Science Teacher. Seconded by Tessier. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held regarding the first reading of Volume 36, Number 1 NEOLA updates to Bylaw 0100 - Definitions, Bylaw 0167.3 - Public Participation at Board Meetings, Policy 3120 - Employment of Professional Staff, Policy 5722 - School-Sponsored Publications and Productions, Policy 6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds, Policy 6152 - Student Fees, Fines, and Supplies, Policy 7450 - Property Inventory, Policy 8310 - Public Records, Policy 8320 - Personnel Files, and Policy 8330 - Student Records.

Motion by Terakedis to table the 20-21 Audit until the December Board Meeting. Seconded by Gast. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Terakedis to approve the 2021-2022 Snow Removal Bid. Seconded by Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Gast to approve the Project Lead the Way computer bond purchase for the total of \$23,677.00. Seconded by Tessier. Motion carried 5-0.

Committee Report: The Finance Committee met earlier in the evening to discuss the 20-21 Audit, COVID sick days for staff, and a possible pay increase in the daily sub rate.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Head spoke regarding the new Test to Stay (TTS) quarantine option for students, and the Lenawee County Health Department possibly extending this option to staff members. COVID cases for the year total 92, so far. Landscaping is wrapping up around campus. A survey to stakeholders regarding the spending of ESSER III funds will be sent out on November 23rd, 2021. Congratulations to the girls cross country team, who qualified for state, Annika Berg, who qualified for state in golf, and the girls volleyball team, who won the regional title. Winter sports have kicked off, as well as NHS and OAC. He wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving break.

Board Member Comments: R. Reynolds noted that he would be available after the meeting to anyone who wanted to talk. A. Gast welcomed R. Tessier for his first board meeting, and thanked the staff for all of their work. J. Terakedis spoke regarding viewing the positives and being willing to speak with anyone, anytime, encouraging meeting attendees to keep showing up. R. Tessier thanked everyone for coming, reiterated that his priority is and will be the kids, and congratulated Annika Berg on her golf achievement. K. Williams thanked everyone who attended, encouraged attendees to reach out to board members, and reminded everyone to keep doing their due diligence to make this the best school possible.

Motion by Gast to move to Executive Session at 8:31 pm for the purpose of Superintendent Evaluation. Seconded by Terakedis. Roll call vote: Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Terakedis- yes, Tessier- yes, Williams- yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting moved to Executive Session at 8:31 pm.

Meeting reopened at 9:26 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm.

David VanBrunt, Secretary  
Board of Education  
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