

BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORCHARD VIEW SCHOOLS
Muskegon, Michigan 49442

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
16 N. Quarterline Rd., Muskegon, MI 49442
OVHS Community Room
August 21, 2023
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS:

a. Call to Order

Meeting called to Order @ 6:30 p.m. by T. Joppie

b. Roll Call

Members Present: T. Joppie, J. Taylor, C. Bankhead, L. Nelson, S. Horsly, A. Brown

Members Absent: J. Eggeman (arrived 7:00 p.m.)

c. Pledge of Allegiance

d. Consent Agenda Items

i. Modification/Approval of Agenda

- August 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

ii. Approval of the Minutes

- August 14, 2023 Committee of the Work Session Meeting

iii. Report & Payment of Bills

- District Financials July, 2023
- Head Start Financials July, 2023

Motion to modify/approve all August 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Consent Agenda items, as presented:

Motion: L. Nelson

Support: J. Taylor

Carried: 6-0

e. Cardinal Pride

Mr. Nielsen, Superintendent, went into all buildings today. He was very impressed with the classrooms that he saw, especially at the elementary levels. Rooms were super welcoming! Also, he wanted to acknowledge Earl Schaub, Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor, who has been working so hard on getting bus routes together.

Brandy Carey, Director of Community Education, is super excited about the construction progress at the Community Education building. There is so much natural light in the classrooms and the secured entrance is coming right along.

Tom Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director, spend some time today at Cardinal Elementary where there were 16 new teachers engaged in math and reading training.

Heather Lorenz-Babcock, Director of Finance and Technology, shared that she is happy with the executive services assistant at the Central Office.

f. Public Comment

none

II. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Earl Schaub, Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor, recommended that the Board approve an A-91T for the first four Flashing Beacons to be installed in/around Sheridan and Hall Roads. We can spend \$20,000 for these out of Tech and Security Funds. We can assess how those work before making the commitment to purchase more in the future.

b. Earl Schaub, Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor, asked for the Board to give him a direction to go in for the seating at the softball and baseball fields. Should we look further into getting a raised cement pad attached to the existing cement pad for people to sit in their bag chairs or should we look further into getting new bleachers?

III. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. August Personnel Change Form

Motion to approve the staff changes per the August Personnel change spreadsheet as presented:

Motion: J. Taylor Support: A. Brown Carried: 6-0

- b. A-91 Flashing Beacons

Motion to approve the A-91T to Tapco Safe Travels in the amount of \$20,000 for 4 flashing beacons as presented:

Motion: C. Bankhead Support: L. Nelson Carried: 6-0

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S ITEMS:

- a. Board Policy #3120

Mr. Nielsen shared copies of Board Policy #3120 and Schedule B positions. Ashley Joppie was hired by the middle school athletic director to coach middle school volleyball for Orchard View. It was brought to our attention that the hiring of Ashley was a conflict with Board Policy #3120 as her father is a member of the Orchard View School Board. This is being brought to the Board to discuss as Ashley was the only one to apply at the time and is qualified for the position. The Board Policy was inadvertently not taken into consideration when this decision was made. Each board member shared his/her opinion regarding their interpretation of the policy related to this schedule B coach circumstance. Tom stated that he would contact Mr. Nielsen tomorrow to let him know if he was going to step down from the School Board or if his daughter would be asked to step down from her coaching position.

*7:00 p.m. Board Member J. Eggeman arrived.

- b. New Teacher Orientation will be on August 24, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m. @ OVHS community room.

c. All Staff Orientation will take place on August 28, 2023 @ 7:30 a.m. OVHS auditorium.

d. The First Day of School for Students is Tuesday, August 29, 2023. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of that week will be Early Release days District Wide. No school on Friday, September 1st.

V. BOARD PRESIDENT'S ITEMS:

- a. T. Joppie missed out on Red and Gray Night this year.

b. T. Joppie will be unable to attend the Board Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 18, 2023 due to a work conflict.

VI. BOARD MEMBERS' ITEMS:

none

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn:

Motion: J. Taylor Support: C. Bankhead Carried: 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m. by T. Joppie.