

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Education
Harbor Springs Public Schools**

October 11, 2021

Large Group Instruction Room
Harbor Springs Middle School
800 State Road
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Board Members Present: Tim Davis, President
 Gary Morse, Vice President
 Brad Backus, Treasurer
 Diane Novak, Secretary
 Margo Damoose, Trustee
 Paul Fairbairn, Trustee
 Tina Honeysette, Trustee

Staff Present: Michael Behrmann, Superintendent
 Maresi Witte, Executive Secretary
 Pam Zazula, Chief Financial Officer via Zoom
 Chris Cerrudo, Technology Director
 Nathan Fairbanks, Elementary School Principal
 Heather Keiser, Middle School Principal
 Brad Plackemeier, High School Principal

Regular Meeting

I. Call to Order

President Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Fairbairn, seconded by Morse, to amend the agenda as follows: add item XI.B. Approval of Co-operative Agreement with Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian Academy for Softball for 2022 spring season. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Board President's Report - None

V. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Behrmann reported on the following: parent/teacher conferences starting; post-season play for sports; thanked Wequetonsing Association for providing picnic tables; French Associates' architects spent time in district touring the facilities as part of the visioning process; new signs installed throughout district.

VI. Administrative Reports

- High School principal Plackmeier reported on the following: homecoming activities; post-season sports.
- Middle School principal Keiser reported on the following: parent/teacher conferences next week; sports; 8th Grade Chicago trip planning and fundraising; academic intervention classes.
- Elementary School principal Fairbanks reported on the following: parent/teacher conferences; picture day; hosting Birthday Breakfast recognizing birthdays and achievements; professional development day coming up; Halloween parade and activities.

VII. General Announcements

Backus and Morse thanked the administration for the new district signs. Great Homecoming!

VIII. Public Input

Eli Urman, parent and Pop Warner coach, inquired about the condition of the football field.

IX. Consent Agenda Items

A. Approval of Invoices

1. General Fund - \$801,484.02
2. Community Schools Fund - \$20,060.63
3. Food Service Fund - \$18,689.76
4. Building & Site Fund - \$228,689.64
5. Fiber Build Project Fund - \$600.00

B. Approval of Minutes

1. Rescheduled Regular Meeting - September 13, 2021

A motion was made by Damoose, seconded by Novak, to approve the the consent agenda as follows: General Fund \$801,484.02; Community Schools Fund \$20,060.63; Food Service Fund \$18,689.76; Building and Site Fund \$228,689.64; Fiber Build Project Fund \$600.00 and the minutes from the September 13, 2021 rescheduled regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

X. Recommended for Action - Old Business

A. Reaffirmation of COVID Protocols

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Backus, to approve the continuation of our COVID Preparedness Plan revised on September 13, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

XI. Recommended for Action - New Business

A. Approval of Hiring Chief Financial Officer

A motion was made by Backus, seconded by Honeysette, to approve the hiring of Rodney Fullerton as Chief Financial Officer starting November 1, 2021 and approve a two-year (2021-23) contract. The 2021-22 contract is pro-rated due to the starting date of November 1, 2021 at \$60,231.00 based on \$90,000.00 and a tax sheltered annuity pro-rated at \$2,667.00 based on an annual annuity of \$4000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of Co-operative Agreement with Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian Academy for Softball

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Fairbairn, to approve pursuing and entering into a cooperative agreement with Burt Lake Northern Michigan Christian Academy, if feasible, for the 2022 spring softball season. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. Public Input

Eli Urman, parent, commented on the district's COVID protocols and the Health Order requiring masks for K-12 students. Audrey Lustgarten, Sarah Ford and Sarah Baughman, parents, all commented on Board adopted COVID quarantine guidelines for testing that are keeping students in school.

XIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Backus, seconded by Fairbairn, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Novak
Secretary