

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

December 12, 2022

Middle School Cafeteria
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
 Paul Fairbairn, Trustee
 Tina Honeysette, Trustee
 Margo Damoose, Trustee

Staff Present: Brad Plackemeier, Superintendent
 Denise Knight, Administrative Assistant
 Rod Fullerton, Chief Financial Officer
 Chris Cerrudo, Technology Director
 Leigh Inglehart, Interim High School Principal
 Heather Keiser, Middle School Principal

Regular Meeting

I. Call to Order

President Davis called the meeting to order at 7pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Fairbairn, seconded by Backus, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Mission Excellence

Superintendent Plackemeier recognized outgoing President Davis for his 16+ years of serving on the Harbor Springs Board of Education. He was presented with a gold athletic pass and a coat as a token of appreciation for his service.

V. Board President's Report

President Davis thanked the community of Harbor Springs for entrusting him on the Board of Education and commented that it has been a journey and also a privilege.

VI. Superintendent's Report

Construction Update

- Updates posted on our website along with pictures
- Interior design team continues to meet to finalize the inside finishes for the new elementary

Winter Sports and Activities

- Championship banners
- Winter sports are in full swing

- Holiday performances
- Holiday break runs from December 22nd through January 2nd with school resuming on January 3rd

5G

- Continue to provide monthly updates to the district committees to report back at the building level
- EMF and RF testing at HSHS-will be looking at the rooftop antennas and inside of the building
- Verizon has not gone to 5G yet

VII. Committee Reports

A. Finance

Morse reported the review of invoices, along with discussion on construction update, 5G update and the EMF and RF testing to be done, field turf discussion and personnel updates.

B. Facilities

Fairbairn reported they received a facilities report from Ron, construction update and demolition progress, discussed the technology budget with the bond project, 5G update, turf discussion and a personnel update.

C. Communications

Damoose reported they discussed much of the same as the other two committees but also added they received an athletic update on winter sports, including the MS boys basketball nearing the end of their season and the HS adding some additional events to their schedule. The girls basketball is also playing a game at Ferris State University. They are still looking to fill the new strength and conditioning position and Sports Med continues to try to fill the open Athletic Trainer position. There are a few open spring coaching positions and the Hall of Fame is currently under construction.

VIII. Administrative Reports

Interim High School Principal Inglehart thanked President Davis for his service. She also reported winter sports being well underway, quiz bowl has started, robotics has been invited to the college, Key Club is working with Kiwanis to host an event at the Lyric and NHS is working with the hospice team to get students back in the Hiland Cottage Hospice House in February.

Middle School Principal Keiser reported on the 5th grade food drive with 1000 items going to the food pantry, celebrated positive behavior with the basketball game, ski team is transitioning to the ski hills, successful concerts last week, 8th graders finished Outsiders and going to the Lyric, Char-Em mobile stem to visit next week. She also thanked Tim and appreciated his leadership and honesty, along with being an advocate for students and staff. She mentioned she hired in the same year he joined the Board.

IX. General Announcements

Backus thanked President Davis for his service and help. Fairbairn thanked President Davis commenting, that although they had differences of opinion at times, they always worked through it. Novak thanked him and appreciated his leadership. Damoose thanked him for his service, efforts, energy and dedication. Damoose also commented on how awesome the music concerts were. Morse commented that he began on the Board just prior to President Davis and thanked him and enjoyed working alongside him over the years saying his expertise will be missed.

X. Public Input

Chris Cerrudo thanked President Davis.

Superintendent Plackemeier read a letter he received from Michael Behrmann which expressed his sincere gratitude to President Davis at his final board meeting.

XI. Consent Agenda Items

A. Approval of Invoices

1. General Fund -\$960,233.21
2. Community Schools Fund - \$29,065.66
3. Food Service Fund - \$20,587.69
4. Building & Site Fund - \$12,775.00
5. Fiber Build Project Fund - \$403.92
6. 2022 Bond Project Fund - \$353,072.55

B. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting - November 14, 2022

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Damoose, to approve the consent agenda items as follows: General Fund - \$960,233.21; Community Schools Fund- \$29,065.66; Food Service Fund - \$20,587.69; Building & Site Fund - \$12,775.00; Fiber Build Project Fund - \$403.92; 2022 Bond Project Fund - \$353,072.55; and the minutes from the regular meeting on November 14, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. Recommended for Action - New Business

A. Approval of Mechanical Contractor for Blackbird Elementary

A motion was made by Backus, seconded by Fairbairn, to award Cooke Sheetmetal as the mechanical contractor for Blackbird Elementary. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of Cooperative Education Agreement

A motion was made by Fairbairn, seconded by Novak, to enter into a cooperative education agreement with the Oxford Community Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. Information & Proposals

A. High School Jazz Band overnight trip - CMU Jazz Festival

The High School Jazz Band is planning to attend the Central Michigan University Jazz Festival in February. They will depart on February 10, 2023 and return on February 11, 2023.

XIV. Public Input - none

XV. Adjournment

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Novak, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:32pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Novak
Secretary