

**Minutes of Special Meeting - Retreat
Board of Education
Harbor Springs Public Schools**

September 25, 2024

Harbor Springs City Hall
160 Zoll Street
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Board Members Present: Paul Fairbairn, President
Diane Novak, Secretary
Tina Honeysette, Treasurer
Margo Damoose, Trustee (departed 2:53pm)
Mike Vandermus, Trustee

Board Members Absent: Gary Morse, Vice President
Brad Backus, Trustee

Staff Present: Brad Plackemeier, Superintendent
Rod Fullerton, Chief Financial Officer
Denise Knight, Administrative Assistant

Special Meeting - Retreat

I. Call to Order

President Fairbairn called the special meeting – retreat to order at 1:02pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and President Fairbairn requested a moment of self reflection.

II. Approval of Agenda

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

III. Public Input - none

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting - September 9, 2024

B. Regular Meeting - Closed Session - September 9, 2024

A motion was made by Damoose, seconded by Vandermus, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting – September 9, 2024 and the minutes from the Regular Meeting – Closed Session – September 9, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

After the approval of the minutes, Superintendent Plackemeier skipped to items VII and VIII to get these approvals taken care of.

V. Bond Construction Update - Plante Moran

Andy Fountain and Robert Stempien from Plante Moran were present. Robert went through the bond project and budget with what has been done and spent, along with what the upcoming projects and budget for remaining items are projected to be. He fielded questions from the board members as well.

VI. Non-Bond Construction Project Planning

Superintendent Plackemeier proposed a list of potential non-bond construction items for the board to consider. There was question and dialog if any of the items could fall under the current bond project.

VII. Approval of Overnight Trip - Middle School Michigan Youth in Government

A motion was made by Vandermus, seconded by Honeysette, to approve the overnight trip for middle school Michigan Youth in Government from November 24, 2024, through November 26, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Approval of Interagency Agreement - Health Department of Northwest Michigan

A motion was made by Novak, seconded by Honeysette, to approve the interagency agreement with Health Department of Northwest Michigan. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. 2024-25 Superintendent Goals

Superintendent Plackemeier listed his goals with the board members. There was discussion between the superintendent and the board members about the goals and other items of interest that the board members have.

X. HSPS School Nurse

Superintendent Plackemeier led discussion to see if there is any interest in hiring a school nurse paid directly by the district.

XI. Public Input - none

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Vandermus, seconded by Honeysette, to adjourn the special meeting – retreat at 3:29pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Novak
Secretary