

RECORD OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the District Board of the Hancock Public School District, Houghton County, State of Michigan.

Meeting open -Pledge of Allegiance

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Hancock Public Schools was held in the boardroom on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 5:01 p.m. President Jordan called the meeting to order.

Present: Catherine Jordan, Michael Lancour, Wendy Chynoweth, Rod Paavola arrived at 5:02 p.m., Charlie Klein, Emilie Lancour & Taylor Paul

Absent: N/A

Agenda Items:

Routine Matters

Adoption of Agenda

It was recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani that the submitted agenda be adopted as presented. Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Klein, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Election of Vice-President

It is moved by Member Klein to nominate Michael Lancour as Vice-President, seconded by Member Paavola to elect Michael Lancour as Vice-President. Motion unanimously carried.

Amend the agenda to include the Election of a Secretary

It is moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member Chynoweth to amend the agenda to include the Election of a Secretary. Motion unanimously carried.

Election of Secretary

It is moved by Member Chynoweth to nominate Emilie Lancour as Secretary, seconded by Member Paavola to elect Emilie Lancour as Secretary. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the Special Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2023.

It is recommended by Board Secretary M. Lancour to approve the submitted August 16, 2023 special minutes. Moved by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Paavola to approve the submitted August 16, 2023 special minutes. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of checks written for the Month of July 2023.

It is recommended by the CCISD Assistant Business Manager, Jeff Klein, with concurrence by Board Treasurer, Wendy Chynoweth, that the checks written for the month of July 2023 be approved as presented. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member E. Lancour, to approve the checks written for the month of July 2023. Motion unanimously carried.

Visitors' Comments: Karyn Rudak noted the changes with the superintendents/principals; the HEA union supports the hire of Chris Salani as Superintendent.

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Jane Shannahan shared her disappointment in the school district in the past and for the recent purchase of the football field, wants to make sure there is a focus on education.

Old or unfinished business:

Superintendent Search resources held: Discussion was held on options to use for a Superintendent Search.

New Business/Discussion/Action Items:

Approve the high school handbook for 2023-2024.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the high school handbook for 2023-2024.

Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member Paavola, to approve the high school handbook for 2023-2024.

Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the high school curriculum guide for 2023-2024.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the high school curriculum guide for 2023-2024.

Moved by Member M. Lancour, seconded by Member Klein, to approve the high curriculum guide for 2023-

2024. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the middle school handbook for 2023-2024.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the middle school handbook for 2023-2024.

Moved by Member E. Lancour, seconded by Member Paul, to approve the middle school handbook for 2023-

2024. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Marina Kero, 7th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Marina Kero, 7th Grade Girls'

Basketball Coach. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Paavola, to approve the hire of Marina

Kero, 7th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of D'Andra Kero, 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of D'Andra Kero, 8th Grade Girls'

Basketball Coach. Moved by Member Paul, seconded by Member Paavola, to approve the hire of D'Andra Kero,

8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Amanda Cooney, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Amanda Cooney, Elementary

Paraprofessional Aide. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member M. Lancour, to approve the hire of

Amanda Cooney, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Ellie Heinonen, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Ellie Heinonen, Elementary

Paraprofessional Aide. Moved by Member E. Lancour, seconded by Member M. Klein, to approve the hire of

Ellie Heinonen, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Ellie Sturos, Elementary Long Term Sub.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Ellie Sturos, Elementary Long Term Sub. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member Paul, to approve the hire of Ellie Sturos, Elementary Long Term Sub. Ayes: Jordan, M. Lancour, E. Lancour, Paavola, Klein & Paul. Abstain: Chynoweth. Motion carried.

Accept the resignation/retirement of Joan Saari, Kitchen Helper as of 10/31/23.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to accept the resignation/retirement of Joan Saari, Kitchen Helper as of 10/31/23. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member M. Lancour, to accept the resignation/retirement of Joan Saari, Kitchen Helper as of 10/31/23. Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion/approve the purchase of a tactical backpack for the SRO.

Discussion on the purchase of a tactical backpack for the SRO was held. It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve the purchase of the tactical backpack for the SRO. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Klein, to approve the purchase of a tactical backpack for the SRO. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve granting tenure to Joan Kero, Middle School Teacher.

It is recommended by Interim Superintendent Salani to approve granting tenure to Joan Kero, Middle School Teacher. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member M. Lancour, to approve the granting tenure to Joan Kero, Middle School Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion of the Portage Lake District Library - Hancock grant was held.

MASB Virtual Work session was held.

Moved by Member M. Lancour, seconded by Member Chynoweth to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Emilie Lancour
Board Secretary