

BOARD OF EDUCATION
HANCOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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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, February 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. President Kero called the meeting to order.

Present: Dale Kero, Catherine Jordan, Michael Lancour, Wendy Chynoweth, Randy Heinonen, Rod Paavola & Steve Koskela

Absent: N/A

Declaration of Quorum: The Superintendent declared a quorum was present and the Board proceeded with the regular order of business.

Recognition of Any Delegation or Individual
Elementary/Middle School VEX Robotics teams for participation in the Manistee Competition

Agenda Items:

Routine Matters

Adoption of Agenda

It was recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin that the submitted agenda be adopted as presented. Moved by Member Jordan, seconded by Member Chynoweth, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes

It was recommended by Board Secretary Lancour that the submitted regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2023 be adopted as presented. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Heinonen, to adopt the regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2023. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of checks written for the Month of January 2023

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

Approval of the finance statement for the Month of January 2023

It was recommended by the CCISD Assistant Business Manager, Jeff Klein, with concurrence by Board Treasurer, Wendy Chynoweth, that the finance statement for the month of January 2023 be approved as presented. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Heinonen, to approve the finance statement for the month of January 2023. Motion unanimously carried.

Visitors' Comments: N/A

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Superintendent Reports

Superintendent Dr. Patchin noted that the School Resource Officer position remains available; the Hancock Police Chief will review eligible candidates. Jon Stone will conduct a walk through in March of the buildings to continue work on the safety plan. A bond update was provided; Thrun was able to secure 3.87% for the bonds. A Committee of the Whole Meeting date of February 27 will be held to review district financials and any other items of need. A review of the Campus & Community Joint Committee meeting was given, there are currently 10 seniors scheduled to attend Finlandia this fall.

Principal Reports

Thank you to the John Wheeler memorial fund for donating \$800 to purchase nature or Native American themed books for our classrooms. Celebration of the 100th day of school was held. Congratulations to Viviana Paoli who finished first in the 5th grade Spelling Bee and to Gracie Hammerstrom who finished second. Both will be competing in the regional competition this week and to the other finalists, Sunny Yettaw, Brietta Keranen, Jocelyn Turnquist and Amelia Pennala. A STEM update was given. The first ever-elementary Robotics Team consists of six students who recently competed at the VEX IQ Robotics Tournament in Manistee. The trip was a great success for the students and thank you to Genevieve Nordmark for coaching the team and Abby Kuntzleman for all of her assistance.

Principal Asiala shared a PBIS update, SEL lessons focusing on responsible decision making was held, the gym was decorated as a school for Wing Dine versus a competition, data review for implantation of an attendance campaign and reduction of minor referrals was conducted, reached the goal for attendance and did not reach the goal for reduction of minor referrals. Congratulations to 7th graders Alex Freeman and Mac Brogan for earning 1st ratings at Solo/Ensemble and thank you to Mrs. Meyers for accompany students to their first VEX robotics competition in Manistee.

Principal Salani covered the completion of and future professional development for staff with Hancock hosting the Area Wide In-Service on 2/17/23. Congratulations to Ms. Meckler and Ethan Perrault-Fill, Mason Wiitanen, David Bylka, Charlie Brogan and Jordyn Neher for their 1st ratings at Solo/Ensemble. Wing Ding coronation court - Congratulations to Lily Ruoho, Queen, Vandan Jacques, King, Morgan Sintkowski, Princess and Kyle McKeller, Prince. Thank you to Houghton County Arena for allowing the students to skate, Mont Ripley for student snow tubing, Ms. Thoun, Ms. Jarvi, Ms. Swetich and ISD Staff for Unified Game Logistics and the Unified players and mentors.

Director of Athletics Salani congratulated AJ Dulong for placing 2nd at the UP Finals in Bowling, review of upcoming athletic events was shared.

Old or Unfinished Business - N/A

New Business/Action Items

Approve the Bond Ratification Resolution.

It was recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the Bond Ratification Resolution. Motion by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Jordan to approve the Bond Ratification Resolution. Roll call vote: Yeas: Kero, Jordan, Lancour, Chynoweth, Heinonen, Paavola & Koskela. Nays: N/A. Motion unanimously carried.

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Approve the support for Brad Baltensperger on the MASB Board of Directors.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the support for Brad Baltensperger on the MASB Board of Directors. Discussion was held. Moved by Member Jordan, seconded by Member Koskela to approve the support for Brad Baltensperger on the MASB Board of Directors. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the CCASB Community Award Recipient.

It was recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the CCASB Community Award Recipient. Discussion was held. Moved by Member Lancour to recommend the Houghton County Road Commission as the CCASB Community Award Recipient, seconded by Member Heinonen. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the yearly student progress.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the yearly student progress. Moved by Member Chynoweth, discussion was held, seconded by Member Paavola to approve the yearly student progress. Motion unanimously carried.

Accept the resignation of Joni Wuebben, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to accept the resignation of Joni Wuebben, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Chynoweth to accept the resignation of Joni Wuebben, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Member Heinonen, seconded by Member Paavola to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

Michael Lancour
Board Secretary