

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting** 

Approved Minutes September 16, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at West Ottawa Public Schools' Administration Office, 1138 136th Avenue.

REGULAR MEETING
CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL** 

President K. McCoy opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** 

Members Present: C. Lebster, K. McCoy, S. McKanna, L. Rutan, R. Schipper and

T. Smith. Superintendent T. Martin, Associate Superintendent for Business Services/Treasurer J. English and Student Senate Repre-

sentative Laryssa Solomon were also present.

Members Absent: D. Duistermars, absent with notice

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by S. McKanna, to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2019, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** 

Moved by S. McKanna, supported by C. Lebster, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Harbor Lights Design Presentation

Associate Superintendent J. English introduced Lisa Maycroft from GMB Architecture & Engineering. Ms. Maycroft presented the expanded scope of the design plans for Harbor Lights after the passing of the 2019 bond. The district will go out to bid on Halloween and will seek Board approval in November. This project will consist of six phases of construction and will wrap up sometime in 2022. Mr. English thanked the staff members at Harbor Lights who were part of the planning committee.

Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Martin shared we are still waiting on the state budget; Count Day is coming up in early October; and he will be in attendance at the MASA Conference this week, where Bill Daggett and Stephanie Grant will speak. He added that he is responsible for working concessions during the Homecoming Game on October 4 and he is about three people short of his need of 12 volunteers from the Board and his Cabinet to work with him at this event.

Student Senate Update

Student Senate Representative Laryssa Solomon introduced Andrew Ky, who will present the Student Senate update if/when she is unable to attend the board meeting. Laryssa reported on the freshman mixer and the following upcoming events:

- Homecoming Spirit Week Days: PJ Day (Monday), ER Day (Tuesday), Waikiki Wednesday, Region Day (Thursday) and Black & White Day (Friday).
- September 28: Powderpuff Volleyball at 7 p.m. in the North Gym
- September 30-October 5: Dress up days and lunch games
- October 1: Powderpuff Football at 6 p.m. at the Varsity Field
- October 4: Fox17 Food Fight Friday, LIVE from the North Gym (collecting non-perishable food items for Feeding America West Michigan)
- October 4: Homecoming Assembly and Football Game vs. Wyoming
- October 5: Homecoming Dance at 7 p.m. in the North Cafeteria

She also shared National Merit Semifinalist Catherine Krueger is one of the top 15,000 in the nation, and that this is the third consecutive year West Ottawa High School had at least one National Merit Scholarship recipient.

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L. Rutan reported the Instructional Services Committee discussed the following during its September 11 meeting: an update on all of the learning that has taken place over the summer. There were 38 professional development opportunities for teachers.

Committee Reports Instructional Services Report

S. McKanna reported the Student Services Committee met on September 3 and discussed Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) and the district's Anti-Bullying curriculum.

Student Services Report

C. Lebster reported the Finance & Personnel committee discussed the following during its September 10 meeting: an update on 2019-2020 staffing, Harbor Lights Middle School design renderings, health insurance premium rate changes beginning January 1, and the committee toured the current Harbor Lights facility.

Finance & Personnel Report

K. McCoy reported the Finance & Facilities committee met on September 5 and reviewed the following: monthly financial reports, a report showing how the District has used the Repair & Improvement Fund over the last decade, the Harbor Lights plans for improvements, and toured the completion of the construction at North Holland Elementary School.

Finance & Facilities Report

Opportunity was given for communications from the audience. There was no response.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM** THE AUDIENCE

(regarding agenda items)

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by S. McKanna, that a probationary contract for the 2019-2020 school year be awarded to the following:

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Approval of Probationary Contracts

<ol> <li>Kelli Boes</li> </ol>	Physical Wellness/Health Teacher, West Ottawa High School
<ol><li>Heidi Draft</li></ol>	ASD Teacher-Grades K-2, Lakewood Elementary School
<ol><li>Livingston Garland</li></ol>	ELA Teacher, West Ottawa High School
4. Lindsey Hicks	Speech Language Pathologist, .20 FTE, District
5. Renee Nibbelink	ASD Teacher-Grades 3-5, Lakewood Elementary School
6. Cody Ryan	Social Studies Teacher, West Ottawa High School
7. Amber Saur	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, Great Lakes Elementary School
8. Christina Scheur	Spanish Teacher, West Ottawa High School
9. Shannon Witvoet	Social Studies Teacher, West Ottawa High School

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the following travel applications be approved:

Approval of **Travel Applications** 

- 1. January 16-19, 2020 W.O. Model United Nations club to the Conference competition at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan
- 2. March 13-15, 2020 W.O. Model United Nations club to the Michigan State University MUN Conference in East Lansing, Michigan
- 3. November 6-8, 2020 8<sup>th</sup> Grade U.S. History Trip to Washington, D.C.
- 4. June 16-30, 2021 WO Goes (West Ottawa Travel Club) to Europe (France, Spain and Italy)

Motion carried 6-0-0.

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Opportunity was given for communications from the audience. Robert Mihos, 3821 Tallgrass West Court in Holland and Roberta Kearns, 17022 James Street in Holland, shared comments and concerns with the Board.

Opportunity was given for board communications. R. Schipper stated while in attendance at the Chamber's Governmental Affairs Breakfast that morning, he had the opportunity to speak with representative Mary Whiteford about the budget.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, October 21, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by S. McKanna, supported by C. Lebster, that the meeting adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried 6-0-0.

**FUTURE CONSIDERATION** 

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

(regarding any items)

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS** 

**FUTURE CONSIDERATION** 

**NEXT MEETING 10/21/19** 

Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Respectfully submitted,	
Darrin Duistermars, Secretary	