

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

Approved Minutes October 19, 2020

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. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the public was able to attend electronically.

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

Members Present: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider,

L. Rutan, R. Schipper and T. Smith. Superintendent T. Martin and Student Senate Representative Lydia Foy were also present.

Members Absent: None

Moved by C. Lebster, supported by R. Schipper, that the minutes from the October 5, 2020, special meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Superintendent Martin reported the following:

- 1. The college advisors were unable to attend the meeting tonight, due to it being FAFSA night, so they will be joining the meeting next month instead.
- 2. Senate Bill 1108 regarding the Open Meetings Act came out Friday afternoon. We will make any necessary adjustments required by law to the manner in which we conduct our meetings.
- 3. There is an uptick in COVID-19 numbers in our region up from 2% testing positive to 5% testing positive and 137 cases per million. Communication will go out on that tomorrow. The Region really needs to get community support around masking up, social distancing, and staying out of large groups. We will continue to monitor that and keep you informed. Grand Rapids Public Schools will continue virtually.
- 4. County leadership will continue to meet weekly via Zoom on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- 5. Superintendent Martin had a conversation with the Holland/Zeeland Foundation on how they might support our at-risk kids.
- 6. The Boys & Girls Club is providing kids with remote support.

Student Senate Representative Lydia Foy reported the students are currently working on three projects. They are next week's Senior Celebration; a Blood Drive at Beechwood Church with the proceeds going toward senior scholarships; and a toy drive for which they will have to quarantine the toys for about a week after contact with them.

REGULAR MEETING
CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Update

Student Senate Update

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L. Rutan provided the Secondary Instructional Services committee's October report.

INFORMATION ITEMS (Cont'd.)

Committee Reports

Secondary Instructional Services Report

K. McCoy provided the Student Services & Elementary Instruction committee's October report.

Student Services & Elementary Instruction Report

T. Smith provided the H.R. & Communications committee's October report.

HR & Communications Report

C. Lebster provided the Finance & Facilities committee's October report.

Finance & Facilities Report

Assistant Superintendents T. Tulgestke and B. Field walked the Board through the COVID-19 Extended Continuity of Learning Plan approved by the OAISD on October 1, 2020, and a review of the West Ottawa Public Schools Safe Schools Handbook. Student/teacher interaction rates will be reported monthly beginning with the November 16, 2020, regular board meeting.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Report and Learning Plans

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by T. Smith, that the board consider the following policies for a first reading as presented:

Board Policies (First Readings)

- 1. Revised Policy 4362.01, Threatening Behavior Toward Staff Members
- Revised Policy 5610, Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students
- 3. Revised Policy 5611, Due Process Rights

Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

(regarding agenda items)

Moved by C. Lebster, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board adopt the Extended Continuity of Learning Plan as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Adoption of Extended Continuity of Learning Plans

ACTION ITEMS

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the Board of Education reconfirm the district's Learning Plans. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Reconfirmation of the District's Learning Plans

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board approve the contract with Illuminate Education in the amount of \$39,171.64 as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of Illuminate FastBridge Contract

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by C. Lebster, that the Board approve the purchase, from CARES funds, of 450 classroom Aver Document/Webcams for teaching staff in the amount of \$202,050 to support in-person and remote learning as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of the Purchase of Aver Document/Webcams Board of Education Regular Meeting Approved Minutes October 19, 2020 Page 3

Moved by T. Smith, supported by C. Lebster, that the Board approve the purchase, from CARES funds, of 450 Chromebooks in the amount of \$101,700 to refresh teacher devices. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by M. Rememschneider, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve renewal of the Odysseyware 6-12 grades Comprehensive All Content License with Edgenuity for math, ELA, science, social studies, world languages and Test Prep in the amount of \$35,000 as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by C. Lebster, supported by R. Schipper, that the Board approve, as presented, the Reading Street Extension Program contract with Savvas Learning Company in the amount of \$25,877.80 to extend the program for grades 4 & 5 through 2024. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve, as presented, the contract with Savvas Learning Company for Balanced Literacy Teacher Guides in the amount of \$5,455.36 for K-3 teachers to pilot and implement this balanced literacy approach. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by R. Schipper, that the Board approve the contract with CDW-G in the amount of \$27,065.03 for the annual renewal of the District's Microsoft license and software as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by T. Smith, that a probationary contract for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year be awarded to Delanie DeCan as First Grade Teacher at North Holland Elementary School. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board approve the following travel applications, pending consideration of the world situation at the time of the proposed trip:

- 1. February 6 & 7, 2021—Girls' Wrestling Team to the MWA Girls Wrestling State Finals at Adrian College in Adrian, Michigan
- 2. March 4-6, 2021—Boys' Wrestling Team to the MHSAA Boys Wrestling State Finals in Detroit, Michigan

Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

There were no communications from the Board.

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)

Approval of Chromebook Refresh of Teacher Devices

Approval of Renewal of Odysseyware 6-12 Comprehensive All Content License

Approval of Reading Street Extension Program Contract

Approval of Balanced Literacy Teacher Guides

Approval of Annual Microsoft License and Software Renewal

Approval of Probationary Contract

Approval of Travel Applications

FUTURE CONSIDERATION
COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE

(regarding any items)

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that the meeting adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrin Duistermars, Secretary

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

NEXT MEETING 11/16/20 Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT