

An electronic regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Members Present: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper and Tyson Smith.

Members Absent: None

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by L. Rutan, to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2021, special meeting as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by C. Lebster, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

West Ottawa Administrators were recognized by the Board of Education and the WOE. President McCoy read a statement prepared by the Board expressing their heartfelt appreciation for all the administrators do for the district's students, staff and community. Theresann Pyrett, on behalf of the WOE, also thanked the administrative team for their contributions. The WOE will be making a book donation in each administrator's name to the Bookmobile.

President K. McCoy and Interim Superintendent J. Malloch thanked Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Julie VandenBerg for 10 1/2 years of service and congratulated her on her upcoming retirement.

Interim Superintendent J. Malloch provided an update on pupil count, winter contact sports, and construction at Pine Creek Elementary that will start on March 1, 2021.

Student Senate Representatives Lydia Foy and Leah Hopkins reported on the following upcoming student events:

- Blood Drive—February 19
- West Ottawa Theater production of *Almost, Maine*—Performances will be live streamed on February 20, 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. and February 21 at 2:30 p.m. The February 20 and 26 performances feature the male cast of Scene 5. The February 21 and 27 performances feature the female cast of Scene 5.
- Senior Survivor—April 19-23

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RECOGNITION**

West Ottawa Administrators

Administrative Assistant to  
the Superintendent

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

Interim Superintendent's  
Update

Student Senate Update

D. Duistermars reported the Instructional Services committee discussed the following during its February 3 meeting: a remote learning update; AP/IB Information Night; a curriculum adoption cycle update; WO Virtual first semester student enrollment analysis and achievement data analysis; EL programming; the future of WO Virtual; and summer school programming.

C. Lebster reported the Student Services committee discussed the following during its February 2 meeting: elementary WO Virtual update; elementary District Grade Level Meetings; Kindergarten Showcase; new science curriculum update; and elementary summer school.

R. Schipper reported the Finance & Facilities committee discussed the following items during the February 4 meeting: monthly financial reports, WOEa negotiations, bids, name proposal for the athletic stadium, bond project update, and the January Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference.

T. Smith reported the HR & Communications committee discussed the following items during the February 10 meeting: WOEa negotiations, winter contact sports, state COVID priorities, non-renewals, and the January media coverage report.

Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Todd Tulgestke provided the monthly review of student/teacher interaction rates, reevaluation of the district's 2020-21 Learning Plans, and an opportunity for public comment was provided.

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

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by R. Schipper, that the West Ottawa Board of Education support candidate Diane Ybarra for the MASB Region 3 Board of Directors. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board designate the Secretary to the Superintendent be responsible to vote electronically on behalf of the West Ottawa Board of Education its choice of candidate for the MASB Region 3 Board of Directors. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by C. Lebster, that the West Ottawa Board of Education approve the three-year Fiber Maintenance Agreement bid from Western Tel-Com, Inc., in the amount of \$51,000 as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**  
**(Cont'd.)**

COMMITTEE REPORTS  
 Instructional Services (6-12)

Student Services &  
 K-5 Instruction

Finance & Facilities

HR & Communications

COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS  
 REPORT AND LEARNING  
 PLANS

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM  
 THE AUDIENCE**  
 (regarding agenda items)

**ACTION ITEMS**

MASB Election for Region 3  
 Board of Directors

Designation of Person to Vote  
 Electronically for MASB Region  
 3 Board of Directors Election

Approval of Fiber Maintenance  
 Agreement Bid

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by D. Duistermars, that the Board approve placement of the following high school curricula on a 30-day review at the Administration Office Building:

1. *AP World Human Geography*, College Board 2020;
2. *IB Music Theory SL*, IBO 2020; and
3. *Project Lead the Way-Principles of Engineering*, PLTW 2020

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve placement of the following middle school curricula on a 30-day review at the Administration Office Building:

1. *History Alive and Geography Alive-grades 6-8*, TCI 2020; and
2. *OpenSciEd-grade 6-8*, OpenSciEd, 2021

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Opportunity was given for communications from the audience. Vincent Duckworth, 3360 Elderwood Avenue in Holland, shared his thoughts on the importance of mask wearing by student athletes during a national pandemic.

During board communications, R. Schipper shared the topic of the March 16 Ottawa Area School Board Association's General Membership Meeting will be on what school district's can do to recover from the impacts of COVID-19, and D. Duistermars expressed his appreciation for the weekly newsletter from Cabinet to the Board.

The next regular meeting is March 15, 2021, at 7 p.m. via Zoom.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by R. Schipper, that the meeting adjourn at 8:10 p.m.  
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Remenschneider, Secretary

**ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)**

Approval of Placement of  
High School Curricula on a  
30-Day Review

Approval of Placement of  
Middle School Curricula on a  
30-Day Review

**FUTURE CONSIDERATION**  
**COMMUNICATIONS FROM**  
**THE AUDIENCE**

(regarding items  
not on the agenda)

**FUTURE CONSIDERATION**  
**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

**NEXT MEETING 3/15/21**  
Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**