

2021-2022 Budget Hearing

President K. McCoy called the budget hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. and turned it over to the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services J. Malloch. Mr. Malloch discussed the L-4029 millage rates and provided an overview of the following proposed 2021-2022 budgets: general fund operating budget, fiduciary fund budget, food service fund budget, and repair and improvement (aka “sinking”) fund budget.

**2021-2022
BUDGET HEARING**

Regular Meeting - June 28, 2021

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

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

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Absent: None

Roll Call

Moved by L. Ruttan, supported by T. Smith, that the minutes from the May 20, 2021, special meeting be approved as presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of Minutes

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

Approval of Agenda

Superintendent Bearden reported on the following for his first 100 days:

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 4 Goals Accomplished— established relationships with A Team and Board, established connections with WO Stakeholders and Holland Greater Community, was visible and established expectation of communication from Superintendent’s Office, and established overall impressions for future planning purposes.
- Future planning and priorities to consider, which include 5 year strategic planning, unifying, a marketing plan, and articulation.
- Some immediate priorities, such as marketing for enrollment, equity of access, Pine Creek updates, elementary, middle school and high school boundary/feeder review, and strategic planning.
- Recognition to Assistant Superintendent Malloch for his budget structure, hard work, and dedication.

Superintendent’s Update

L. Rutan reported the Instructional Services committee met on June 2 and discussed the following: MacBay and Harbor Lights end of year activities, 1,057 summer school students enrolled, the transportation and food service staff working hard this summer, WOVA updates, middle school and high school curriculum updates, and Pam Schwallier and Patt Collin's student engagement updates.

R. Schipper reported the Student Services & K-5 Instruction committee met on June 1 and discussed the following: May elementary grade level meeting, new Pine Creek Principal Jessica Rios, Read by Grade 3 Law exemptions due to the pandemic and ensuring support for these students, summer school introduction, and recognition to Dennis White for running the summer school program.

M. Remenschneider reported the Finance & Facilities committee met on June 11 and discussed the following: budget hearing data and General Fund, Food Service Fund monthly financials, and additional information that will be coming up as action items for approval.

T. Smith reported the H.R. & Communications committee met on June 9 and discussed the following: staffing updates, new hires, and a new proposal for floater guest teachers.

Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Todd Tulgestke provided the monthly review of student/teacher interaction rates for May 3 through June 11 and updates on the summer school program and migrant program. Currently, there are 1294 students enrolled for summer school. Todd thanked the Food Service Department, Transportation Department, and summer school staff for their hard work. He also discussed identifying needs at schools. An opportunity for public comment was provided.

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

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that an administrative contract for 2021-2022 be awarded to Jessica Rios as Pine Creek Elementary Principal.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS
(Cont'd.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Instructional Services

Student Services &
K-5 Instruction

Finance & Facilities

H.R. & Communications

COVID-19 Coronavirus Report
and Learning plans

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE**

(regarding agenda items)

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of
Administrative Contract

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by R. Schipper, that a probationary contract for the 2021-2022 school year be awarded to the following:

1. Sasha Englesman Science Teacher – Harbor Lights Middle School
2. Jessica Hanson ELA Teacher – Harbor Lights Middle School
3. Stephanie Hop MTSS – North Holland Elementary
4. Hannah Vankampen Pre-school ASD – Lakewood Elementary
5. Addyson Gerig MTSS – Sheldon Woods Elementary
6. Alison Sobkoski MTSS – Waukazoo Elementary
7. Noemi Sackett Spanish Teacher – High School
8. Lindsay Williams District School Psychologist
9. Megan Wills ELA interventionist – High School
10. Jayna Haase MTSS – Pine Creek Elementary
11. Jeni Visser Kindergarten – Great Lakes Elementary
12. Anthony Seville Math – High School
13. Kelsey Ambrose 3rd grade Spanish Immersion – Lakeshore
14. Kathrine Kroll ELA Interventionist – Macatawa Bay Middle School
15. Matt Bremer MTSS – Great Lakes Elementary
16. Colin Baron MTSS – Lakewood Elementary
17. Rachel Zuverink Math Teacher – Macatawa Bay Middle School”

Action Items
(Cont'd.)
Approval of Probationary
Contracts

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board of Education approve the West Ottawa Education Association contract for 2021-2024 as presented.

Approval of WOEa Contract

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: C. Leinster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan,
R. Schipper, and T. Smith
Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0-0. D. Duistermars had to abstain.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the Board approve the L-4029 millage rates as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of the L-4029

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve the purchase of a Caterpillar Telehandler in the amount of \$129,563 for construction at the stadium, PAC, and new elementary school as presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of Caterpillar
Telehandler Purchase

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by R. Schipper, that the West Michigan Janitorial Custodial contract in the amount of \$1,500,000 for custodial services be approved as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

West Michigan Janitorial
Custodial Contract

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Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, that the contract for Maner Costerisan be approved as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services for the following fiscal years and amounts:

2022: \$32,300

2023: \$32,800

2024: \$33,300

Motion carried 7-0-0.

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)
Approval of District Auditor Contract

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by C. Lebster, that the Board approve the bids from various contractors in the amount of \$25,848,426 for the new Performing Arts Center at the high school campus as presented.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of Performing Arts Center Bids

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, that the Board approve the bids for Harbor Lights furniture as presented in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of Harbor Lights Furniture Bids

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that the 2020-2021 final budget amendments to the General Operating Fund, Food Service Fund, Fiduciary Fund and Repair and Improvement (aka Sinking) Fund income and appropriations be accepted as presented.

Approval of 2020-2021 Budget Amendments

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper, and T. Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the 2021-2022 General Fund Operating Budget, Fiduciary Fund Budget, Food Service Fund Budget, and Repair and Improvement (Sinking) Fund Budget resolutions be approved as presented.

Adoption of 2021-2022 Budget Resolutions

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper, and T. Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the 2021-2022 Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Membership Resolution be approved as presented.

Approval of 2021-2022 MHSAA Membership Resolution

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: D. Duistermars, C. Lebster, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper, and T. Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the 2021-2022 Student Handbooks for the elementary schools, middle schools, West Ottawa High School, and The Dunes Alternative High School be approved with the changes presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of 2021-2022
Student Handbooks

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, that the 2021-2022 Student Handbooks for West Ottawa Virtual Academy be approved as presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of WOVA
Handbook

Moved by T. Smith, supported by C. Lebster, that the 2021-2022 Mobile Device Care & Usage Handbook be approved with the changes presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of 2021-2022
Mobile Device Care & Usage
Handbook

Moved by M. Remenschnieder, supported by L. Rutan, that the 2021-2022 Athletic Handbook for Grades 6-12 be approved with the changes presented.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of 2021-2022
Athletic Handbook

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by L. Rutan, that the following travel applications be approved as presented, pending consideration of the world situation at the time of the proposed trip:

Approval of
Travel Applications

1. August 20 & 21, 2021 – Boys’ Varsity Tennis to the team building event at the Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor, Michigan
2. October 14-16, 2021 - Boys’ Varsity Tennis to the MHSAA D1 State Finals in Midland, Michigan
3. March 18-20, 2022 – Harbor Lights & Mac Bay 8th graders on a trip to Washington, D.C.
4. June 25 -28, 2022 – Mac Bay Choirs to the Choral Residency with Manhattan Concert Productions in New York, New York
5. Mid-June 2022 – Early July 2022 – WOPS Classes of 2023-2025 to a Europe Tour event in Italy, Spain, and France”

Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Communications from
the Audience
(regarding any items)

Opportunity was given for communications from the Board. L. Rutan extended special thanks to the WOECA negotiation team for being understandable and easy to work with. T. Smith gave thanks on behalf of the community to the assistant superintendents, teachers, and the administrative office for their commitment in doing what’s best for the students and keeping them in school. K. McCoy gave thanks to the high school staff for working hard and determination in holding high school events. R. Schipper stated parents trusted the district in making the right calls and that people have said the board made a good choice with the new superintendent. D. Duistermars congratulated Tim for being the father of a state champion.

Board Communications

The next meeting is the fiscal organizational/regular meeting on Thursday, July 1, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at West Ottawa Public Schools' Administration Office.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by T. Smith, that the meeting adjourn at 8:25 p.m.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Next Meeting 7/1/21:
Fiscal Organizational / Regular
Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary