

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Harbor Lights Middle School, 1024 136th Avenue.

**REGULAR MEETING
CALL TO ORDER**

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members Present: D. Duistermars, K. McCoy, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper and T. Smith. Superintendent T. Bearden was also present.

ROLL CALL

Members Absent: C. Lebster, with notice.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by L. Rutan, that the minutes from the September 20, 2021, regular meeting be approved as presented.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by T. Smith, supported by D. Duistermars, that the agenda be approved as presented.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Bearden reported the following:

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Strategic planning draft will be provided to Board in late November, then publicly discussed at a public meeting. Adoption for this strategic plan is scheduled for January. Constituent group meetings were held last week, and there are more upcoming meetings in the near future.
2. Updates on the 2021 Building and Site Bonds and the 2021 Refunding Bonds. The bonds were nearly 4 times over subscribed with purchasing interest over \$300 million with a par value of approximately \$78 million.
3. Our new Panther Pathways allows students to sign up for after-school programs and free transportation will be available.

Superintendent's Update

Student Senate Representative Meagan Rockafellow reported on the WOHS Boys Tennis becoming Regional Champs and the WOHS Marching Band earning straight 1's for the 18th consecutive year at the District Festival. Homecoming was a success with a high record of about 1,400 tickets sold, and around 25 percent participation during spirit days. Homecoming Court, Senior runout during assembly, and lots of students participating in the powderpuff dodgeball and volleyball made this month great. Upcoming projects include a Blood Drive in the Aux gym and month of caring for November and December.

Student Senate Update

L. Rutan reported the following was discussed during the October 8 Instructional Services committee meeting: Fall testing schedules, YAS, PBIS efforts 6-12, Academy @ WOMS, WO Tech Teams and EdTech Fall Newsletter, and the FastBridge benchmark assessment for the fall.

R. Schipper reported the following was covered during the October 5 Student Services committee meeting: District Elementary Positive Behavior Intervention Supports update and Panther Pathways updates.

M. Remenschneider reported the following items were discussed during the October 7 Finance & Facilities committee meeting: General and Food Service Fund monthly financials, capital projects update, Stadium Plaza suggestions, contract and bid approvals, bond sale update, authorizing resolution, 124th and Ransom appraisal, new elementary name, audit update, and WOTA negotiations.

T. Smith reported the following was discussed during the H.R. & Communications committee meeting: Transportation union, new hires for ESL, legal updates and budget masking order.

Superintendents Bearden provided the following information:

- An executive summary that mentioned that the US is seeing a decrease in cases, while Michigan continues to increase.
- Case trends in the USA and Michigan and Ottawa County in regards to weekly cases, hospitalizations and deaths by age.

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

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board approve the bid from Edgenuity in the amount of \$35,000 for credit recovery software.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by R. Schipper, that the Board approve the bid from Illuminate Education in the amount of \$42,428 for the district 6-12 assessment and data warehouse.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the Board approve the bid from CDW-G in the amount of \$27,727 for the district Microsoft licensing renewals.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS
(Cont'd.)

Committee Reports

Instructional Services Report

Student Services & K-5
Instruction Report

Finance & Facilities Report

Human Resources &
Communications Report

COVID-19 Mitigation Policies

COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE
(regarding agenda items)

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Credit Recovery
Software Bid

Approval of Illuminate
Education Bid

Approval of
Microsoft Licensing
Renewals Bid

Moved by T. Smith, supported by D. Duistermars, that the 2021 Bond Ratification Resolutions for the bond refunding and new money issue be approved as presented.

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)

Bond Ratification Resolutions

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve the bids from various contractors in the amount of \$2,198,948 for the renovations and improvements at Great Lakes and High School South.

Approval of Various Contractors

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, that the Board place the following elementary curricula on a 30-day review: GamePlan K-5 Elementary Music Curriculum, in the amount of \$31,463.60.

Curricula 30-Day Review

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve the following travel application, pending consideration of the world situation at the time of the proposed trip:

Approval of Travel Application

1. December 10 & 11, 2021—West Ottawa Drama Club to the Michigan Thespian Festival in Lansing, Michigan

Motion carried 6-0-0.

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

Approval of Probationary Contracts

1. Kara Higgs ESL Coach/Co-Teacher, MacBay Middle School
2. Alma Tabakovic ESL Coach/Co-Teacher, West Ottawa High School

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Opportunity was provided for communications from the audience regarding items not on the agenda. The following individual shared comments in regards to free breakfast and the amount of sugar breakfast contains:

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

(regarding items not on the agenda)

1. John Trocke, 632 W Lakewood Blvd, Holland

Opportunity was given for communications from the Board. D. Duistermars shared about Chris Glass and the political and important updates he provides to keep the team informed.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the meeting adjourn at 7:53 p.m.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

NEXT MEETING 11/15/21
Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT