

An organizational/regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at West Ottawa Public Schools' Administration Office, 1138 136th Avenue.

President C. Lebster opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Members Absent: M. Remenschneider (*with notice*)

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by T. Smith, to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2022, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Superintendent Bearden reported on the following:

- Congratulated the Business Office for receiving the Certificate of Excellence for the 7th time out of the last 8 years.
- ISTE training update and ISTE Pilots
- Fiscal Year 2023 Budget update: Budget makes progress on a weighted-student funding formula with increases in the foundation, at-risk, special education and English learners. Significant one-time investments in MPSERS, teacher attraction initiatives, school security and mental health. With this budget agreement, they will leave a significant amount of funds on the state balance sheet for future appropriations.
- Other major uses of School Aid Fund (ASF)

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

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by R. Schipper, that a probationary contract for the 2022-2023 school year be awarded to the following:

1. Nathan Stempky Math Teacher - High School
2. Elizabeth Bradley Resource - Great Lakes Elementary

Motion carried 6-0-0.

**FISCAL ORGANIZATIONAL/
REGULAR MEETING**
CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

INFORMATION ITEMS
Superintendent's Update

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

ACTION ITEMS
Approval of Probationary
Contracts

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Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, that Bank of America, Bank of New York, Chase Bank, TCF National Bank, Fifth/Third Bank, First United Credit Union, Flagstar Bank, Horizon Bank, Huntington National Bank, JP Morgan, Lake Michigan Credit Union, Level One Bank, Macatawa Bank, Mercantile Bank, Old National Bank, PNC Bank, and West Michigan Community Bank be used as depositories for West Ottawa Public Schools for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Motion carried 6-0-0.

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)

Designation of Depositories
for School Funds

Moved by T. Smith, supported by L. Rutan, that Tim Bearden and Jeff Malloch be authorized signers for the West Ottawa Public Schools checking accounts and that Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions be authorized and completed as detailed in Policy 6144. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Check Signature
Authorization

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by K. McCoy, that the following people be authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the district: the Superintendent, the Associate Superintendent of Business Services, the Associate Superintendent of Human Resources, and administrators to be authorized to sign purchase orders as designated by the Superintendent. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Contract and Purchase Order
Signature Authorization

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by T. Smith, that the West Ottawa Board of Education retain membership in the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) - Legal Trust Fund, and the Michigan Institute for Educational Management (MIEM). Motion carried 6-0-0.

Approval of
Organizational Memberships

Moved by K. McCoy, supported by L. Rutan, that the following firms be named legal counsel for the 2022-2023 fiscal year or as otherwise directed by the Board of Education:

Approval of
Annual Retainer Contracts

- Clark Hill, P.L.C. for general district needs
- Miller Johnson for general district needs
- Thrun Law Firm, P.C. for general district needs

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by K. McCoy, that the firm of Maner Costerisan be hired as the 2022-2023 district auditor as recommended by the Associate Superintendent of Business Services. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Approval of
District Auditor

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by T. Smith, that the Summer 2023 Tax Collection Resolution be approved as presented.

Approval of Annual Resolution
for Summer Taxes

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: M. Remenschneider

Motion carried 6-0-0.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by K. McCoy, that the Board approve, as presented, the bid from Hardman Construction in the amount of \$740,000 for precast concrete bridge at Riley Farms, as recommended by the Associate Superintendent of Business Services. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Approval of
Riley Farms Precast
Concrete Bridge Bid

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Moved by L. Rutan, supported by R. Schipper, that the Board approve, as presented, the bid from Reith-Riley in the amount of \$786,240 for asphalt paving at Riley Farms, as recommended by the Associate Superintendent of Business Services. Motion carried 6-0-0.

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

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

The next Regular meeting is August 15 at 7 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by T. Smith, that the meeting adjourn at 5:51 p.m. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Approval of
Riley Farms Asphalt
Paving Bid

FUTURE CONSIDERATION
COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE
(regarding any items)

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

NEXT MEETING 8/15/22
Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary