

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7 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, M. Remenschneider, L. Rutan, R. Schipper and T. Smith. Superintendent T. Bearden was also present.

Members Absent: None

Moved by T. Smith, supported by R. Schipper, to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2022, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

Superintendent Bearden reported on the following:

- Bond Updates
- WOVA Principal Update
- Global Initiatives - Spain visit
- Opening Day Schedule
- Mind Brain Education

L. Rutan reported the following items were discussed during the August 2 Instructional Services committee meeting: summer school update for high school and middle school, WOVA Update, iReady Benchmark assessment system, and the West Ottawa Instructional Coaching update.

D. Duistermars reported the following items were discussed during the August 1 Student Services committee meeting: elementary summer school and migrant program update; Miranda Park party; iReady Benchmarking assessment & personalized learning update; elementary library revitalization update; West Ottawa coaching update.

R. Schipper reported the following was covered during the August 9 Finance & Facilities committee meeting: monthly financials, bond projects updates, bid approvals, and an audit update for FY 2022.

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent's Update

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Instructional Services Report

Student Services Report

Finance & Facilities Report

T. Smith reported the following was discussed during the August 3 H.R. & Communications committee meeting: open positions, district organizational chart, House Bill 4375 update, and new teacher orientation.

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

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve, as presented, the bids for the Waukazoo and Lakewood Elementary construction projects in the amount of \$4,960,018 as presented and recommended by the Associate Superintendent of Business Services. Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

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| 1. Jackie Calzada | MTSS, Pine Creek |
| 2. Amanda Hoving | MTSS, Sheldon Woods |
| 3. Wendi Petersen | MTSS, Woodside |
| 4. Rebecca Vriesema | 3rd Grade Teacher, Pine Creek |
| 5. Debbie Williams | 4 th Grade Teacher, Sheldon Woods |
| 6. Maria Stempky | Math Teacher, High School |
| 7. Hallie Cannady | GSRP, Sheldon Woods |
| 8. Kristie Scholz | EL Teacher, Pine Creek |
| 9. Naomi Sarelis | Chemistry Teacher, High School |
| 10. Erin McCollough | EL teacher, Great Lakes |
| 11. Laura Little | Lower Montessori Teacher, Waukazoo |
| 12. Lauren Robinson | Counselor, High School |
| 13. Danielle Pizzolatto | Kindergarten Teacher, North Holland |
| 14. Michelle Cadot | District Behavior Consultant ASD |
| 15. Jessi Frankhouse | ASD Special Ed, Sheldon Woods |
| 16. Amy Pembrook | Spanish Teacher, Pine Creek and Great Lakes |

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by R. Schipper, that the following travel applications be approved as presented, pending consideration of the world situation at the time of the proposed trip:

1. October 14-16, 2022 – West Ottawa Vocalaires and WOSWE to the Annual Fall Retreat at Howard City, Michigan
2. June 24 – 27, 2023 – WOMS Choirs to the National Youth Festival Chorus Residency at Carnegie Hall in New York, New York

Motion carried 7-0-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS
(Cont'd.)

Human Resources & Communications Report

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

(regarding agenda items)

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the WZ & LW Construction Bids

Approval of Probationary Contracts

Approval of Travel Applications

Opportunity was provided for communications from the audience regarding items not on the agenda. There was no response.

Opportunity was given for communications from the Board. D. Duistermars made a comment.

A work session will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., followed by a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by R. Schipper, that the West Ottawa Board of Education convene in closed session, pursuant to MCL 15-268 Sec. 8(a), at 7:38 p.m. regarding a periodic evaluation of the superintendent.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by K. McCoy, that the Board of Education reconvene in open session at 7:42 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by R. Schipper, that the meeting adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

FUTURE CONSIDERATION

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE**

(regarding items
not on the agenda)

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

NEXT MEETING 9/12/22

Work Session, 5:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

**RECONVENE IN
OPEN SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary