



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, J. Otteman, L. Rutan, R. Schipper, T. Smith and M. Remenschneider.

Members Absent: None

Moved by T. Smith supported by L. Rutan, to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2024, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by J. Otteman, supported by T. Smith, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried 7-0-0.

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

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by L. Rutan, that a probationary contract for the 2024-2025 school year be awarded to the following:

1. Megan Crowley ELA Teacher, Harbor Lights Middle School
2. Theodor Butler Science Teacher, High School

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by L. Rutan, 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, United Bank, MILAF, and West Michigan Community Bank be used as depositories for West Ottawa Public Schools for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by L. Rutan, supported by T. Smith, 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 7-0-0.

**FISCAL ORGANIZATIONAL/
REGULAR MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE**

(regarding agenda items)

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Probationary
Contracts

Designation of Depositories
for School Funds

Check Signature
Authorization

Moved by J. Otteman, supported by T. Smith, that the following people be authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the district: the Superintendent, the CFO, the Associate Superintendent of Human Resources, and administrators to be authorized to sign purchase orders as designated by the Superintendent. Motion carried 7-0-0.

ACTION ITEMS (Cont'd.)
Contract and Purchase Order
Signature Authorization

Moved by M. Remenschneider, 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 7-0-0.

Approval of
Organizational Memberships

Moved by T. Smith, supported by J. Otteman, that the following firms be named legal counsel for the 2024-2025 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 7-0-0.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by D. Duistermars, that the firm of Maner Costerisan be hired as the 2024-2025 district auditor as recommended by the CFO. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of
District Auditor

Moved by D. Duistermars, supported by T. Smith, that the Summer 2025 Tax Collection Resolution be approved as presented.

Approval of Annual Resolution
for Summer Taxes

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Moved by M. Remenschneider, supported by L. Rutan, that the Board approve the Macatawa Bay Furniture Quote from Wenger for \$41,929 as recommended and presented by the CFO. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Approval of MacBay Band Fur-
niture Quote

Opportunity was given for communications from the audience. Sarah Matwiejczyk shared her goals and interests and about running for Ottawa County Prosecutor.

Opportunity was given for communications from the Board. R. Schipper commented on the community college state issue. D. Duistermars and C. Lebster commented on school events / programs.

The next Regular meeting is August 19 at 7 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Moved by T. Smith, supported by M. Remenschneider, that the meeting adjourn at 5:46 p.m.
Motion carried 7-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Remenschneider, Secretary

FUTURE CONSIDERATION
COMMUNICATIONS FROM
THE AUDIENCE
(regarding any items)

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

NEXT MEETING 8/19/24
Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT