

BOARD OF EDUCATION
HANCOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

RECORD OF MINUTES

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Regular Meeting
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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the District Board of the Hancock Public School District, Houghton County, State of Michigan.

Meeting open -Pledge of Allegiance

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Hancock Public Schools was held in the Boardroom on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 5:02 p.m. President Kero called the meeting to order.

Present: Dale Kero, Catherine Jordan, Wendy Chynoweth, Randy Heinonen, Rod Paavola & Steve Koskela

Absent: Michael Lancour

Declaration of Quorum: The Superintendent declared a quorum was present and the Board proceeded with the regular order of business.

Member Lancour arrived.

Genevieve Nordmark and Becky Garnell provided a STEM/Coding Training update for the Board of Education reviewing the recent conference that they had attended.

Ben Larson, Alumni Research - Discussion on how to best obtain information for Alumni and track donations was held.

Katrina Linde-Moriarty, Portage Lake District Library attended to answer questions and provided an overview of the library.

Recognition of Any Delegation or Individual - N/A

Agenda Items:

Routine Matters

Adoption of Agenda

It was recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin that the submitted agenda be adopted as amended including 8 additional action items. Moved by Member Jordan, seconded by Member Koskela, to adopt the agenda as amended with 8 additional action items. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes

It was recommended by Acting Board Secretary Jordan that the submitted regular meeting minutes of July 25, 2022 be adopted as presented. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Paavola, to adopt the regular meeting minutes of July 25, 2022. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of checks written for the Month of July 2022

It was recommended by the CCISD Assistant Business Manager, Jeff Klein, with concurrence by Board Treasurer, Wendy Chynoweth, that the checks written for the month of July 2022 be approved as presented. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Lancour, to approve the checks written for the Month of July 2022. Motion unanimously carried.

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Visitors' Comments were made relative to library operation and content.

Superintendent Report

Discussion was held on having a School Resource Officer through the City of Hancock and contracting with John Stone to assist with a school safety plan.

Principal Reports:

Principal Vaara provided a verbal update on the daycare and BHK as well as the upcoming school year

Principal Impola discussed potential new hires, the upcoming school year and Sneak Peak.

Principal/Director of Athletics Salani shared information on the upcoming school year, athletic practices and summer projects that were worked on.

Old or Unfinished Business - N/A

New Business/Action Items

Accept the resignation of Madeline Gemignani, MS Special Education Teacher.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to accept the resignation of Madeline Gemignani, MS Special Education Teacher. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Heinonen to accept the resignation of Madeline Gemignani, MS Special Education Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

Accept the resignation of Mike Aubin, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to accept the resignation of Mike Aubin, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Lancour to accept the resignation of Mike Aubin, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Motion unanimously carried.

Accept the resignation of Travis Pietila, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to accept the resignation of Travis Pietila, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Lancour to accept the resignation of Travis Pietila, Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Kristen Huffman, MS Social Studies Teacher.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hire of Kristen Huffman, MS Social Studies Teacher. Moved by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Jordan to approve the hire of Kristen Huffman, MS Social Studies Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hire of Christal Kempainen, PT Food Service Worker.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hire of Christal Kempainen, PT Food Service Worker. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Heinonen to approve the hire of Christal Kempainen, PT Food Service Worker. Motion unanimously carried.

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Approve the Ratification of the HESPA Master Agreement.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the ratification of the HESPA Master Agreement. Moved by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Jordan to approve the ratification of the HESPA Master Agreement. Abstain: Chynoweth. Motion carried.

Approve the High School Curriculum Guide and Handbook.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patching to approve the High School Curriculum Guide and Handbook. Moved by Member Paavola, seconded by Member Koskela to approve the High School Curriculum Guide and Handbook. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the Middle School Parent/Student Handbook.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patching to approve the Middle School Parent/Student Handbook. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Heinonen to approve the Middle School Parent/Student Handbook. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the rehire of Fall Coaches.

It is recommended by Chris Salani, Director of Athletics, to approve the rehire of Fall Coaches. Volleyball: Varsity Coach, Heather L'Esperance, Cross Country: Head Coach, Jenn Smith. Football: Varsity Head Coach, Ramon Sague, Varsity Assistant Coach, Paul Dube. Middle School Girls Basketball: 7th & 8th Grade Coach, Elizabeth Aho. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Jordan to approve the rehire of the Fall Coaches. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the Food Service Pizza, Sub and Milk Bids.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the Food Service Pizza, Sub and Milk Bids. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Heinonen to approve the Food Service Pizza, Sub and Milk Bids. Motion unanimously carried.

Accept the resignation of Middle School Science Teacher Chelsea Lurn.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to accept the resignation of M Middle School Science Teacher Chelsea Lurn. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Paavola to accept the resignation of Middle School Science Teacher Chelsea Lurn. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hiring of Danielle Thoune as a long-term sub High School Special Education Teacher.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of Danielle Thoune as a long-term sub High School Special Education Teacher Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Paavola to approve the hiring of Danielle Thoune as a long-term sub High School Special Education Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hiring of Maggie Danielson as Middle School Special Education Teacher.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of Maggie Danielson Middle School Special Education Teacher. Moved by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Koskela to approve the hiring of Maggie Danielson as a Middle School Special Education Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

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Approve the hiring of Sarah Kerttu as PT 2nd Grade Teacher.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of Sarah Kerttu as PT 2nd Grade Teacher. Moved by Member Jordan, seconded by Member Paavola to approve the hiring of Sarah Kerttu as PT 2nd Grade Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve pursuing a MOU with the City of Hancock to collaboratively establish a School Resource Officer in our District.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve pursuing a MOU with the City of Hancock to collaboratively establish a School Resource Officer in our District. Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Heinonen to approve pursuing a MOU with the City of Hancock to collaboratively establish a School Resource Officer in our District. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hiring of John Stone as a consultant on a contract basis to develop a comprehensive and proactive school safety plan, including training to implement it.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of John Stone as a consultant on a contract basis to develop a comprehensive and proactive school safety plan, including training to implement it. Moved by Member Lancour, seconded by Member Heinonen to approve the hiring of John Stone as a consultant on a contract basis to develop a comprehensive and proactive school safety plan, including training to implement it. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hiring of Jennifer Demske as Program Director for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of Jennifer Demske as Program Director for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program. Moved by Member Jordan, seconded by Member Chynoweth to approve the hiring of Jennifer Demske as Program Director for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the hiring of Taylor Sebbas as Daycare Assistant for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the hiring of Taylor Sebbas as Daycare Assistant for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program. Moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member Koskela to approve the hiring of Taylor Sebbas as Daycare Assistant for Hancock Public Schools Daycare Program. Motion unanimously carried.

Approve the purchase of Aperture Software at the estimated cost of \$6,000 using Prepare Grant Funds.

It is recommended by Superintendent Dr. Patchin to approve the purchase of Aperture Software at the estimated cost of \$6,000 using Prepare Grant Funds. It was moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Lancour to approve the purchase of Aperture Software at the estimated cost of \$6,000 using Prepare Grant Funds. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Member Koskela, seconded by Member Heinonen to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Michael Lancour
Board Secretary