

WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
January 19, 2015
6:30 P.M.

President George Zelinski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the media center.

Present: G.Zelinski, D.Giannola, J.Moll, P.Peterson, Jr., N.Christ, F.Zelinski,
Administrator Peterson and Business Manager Robinson

Absent:

Visitors: S.Zelinski, T.Pallin, J.Barajas, J.Ryskey, T.Hand, K.Caudill, M.McGrath,
B.Caudill, N.Powell, G.Robinson, Jr.

With the unfortunate passing of esteemed board member Dr. John M. Hobart, four (4) citizens of our community submitted letters of interest. Two of the applicants were in attendance and were given an opportunity to present to the Board.

At the conclusion of the two presentations, there was a motion by D.Giannola supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to appoint Bruce Caudill to the vacant position. Discussion ensued. Roll Call Vote: Unanimous vote was cast for Bruce Caudill. Motion Carried.

On a motion by P.Peterson Jr. supported by N.Christ, a nomination was made for Bruce Caudill to serve as President. A motion was made by J.Moll supported by G.Zelinski to close the nominations. Roll Call Vote: N.Christ-Nay, P.Peterson, Jr.-Aye, F.Zelinski-Nay, J.Moll-Aye, D.Giannola-Nay, George-Aye, Bruce-Aye. Motion Carried.

President Caudill, once again, took the Chair.

On a motion by F.Zelinski supported by N.Christ a nomination was made for George Zelinski to serve as Vice President. A motion was made by N.Christ supported by F.Zelinski to close the nominations. Roll Call Vote: N.Christ-Aye, P.Peterson, Jr.-Aye, F.Zelinski-Aye, J.Moll-Aye, D.Giannola-Nay, G.Zelinski-Aye, B.Caudill-Aye. Motion Carried.

On a motion by D.Giannola supported by G.Zelinski, a nomination was made for Joan Moll to serve as Secretary. A motion was made by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by N.Christ to close the nominations. A unanimous ballot was cast for Joan Moll to serve as Secretary. Motion Carried.

On a motion by J.Moll supported by G.Zelinski. a nomination was made for Dino Giannola to serve as Treasurer. Member Giannola declined the nomination.

There was a nomination by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by D.Giannola for Nick Christ to serve as Treasurer. A motion was made by G.Zelinski supported by J.Moll to close the nominations. A unanimous ballot was cast for Nick Christ to serve as Treasurer. Motion Carried.

The remaining members, P.Peterson, Jr., D.Giannola and F.Zelinski were declared Trustees.

Member P.Peterson, Jr. initiated a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Discussion was held regarding the updating of District job descriptions as previously discussed during support staff negotiations and G.Zelinski requested meeting dates be added. The motion was rescinded.

A motion was made by member P.Peterson, Jr. and supported by D.Giannola to add "Job Descriptions" under "Old Business" and "Board Meeting Dates" under "Other Matters" and then approved agenda. Motion Carried.

There was no one in attendance from Lac Vieux Desert

Student Council Representative, Jessica Barajas was in attendance to report on Homecoming Activities and their next meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2015 during grades 7-12 lunch break.

There was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by G.Zelinski to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 16, 2014. Motion Carried.

On a motion by G.Zelinski supported by D.Giannola the December accounts payable were approved totaling \$77,529.29 for the General Fund and \$2,639.71 for the National School Lunch and Breakfast Fund. Motion Carried.

The Financial Statement and Report was accepted as presented.

The added agenda item of "Job Descriptions" was discussed at length. Administrator Peterson was advised to e-mail and/or mail job descriptions to the Board for review.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by member G.Zelinski and supported by J.Moll:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been blessed with the services of
Dr. John M. Hobart

And has served the people of Watersmeet competently, diligently, and faithfully as a member of the Watersmeet Township School Board of Education for the past Four (4) Years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hobart served as an officer of this Board bringing the qualities of honor, integrity and loyalty to the position; and

WHEREAS, we, as Board members wish to extend our utmost appreciation and thanks to Dr. Hobart for his willingness to serve the community of Watersmeet, in general, and the School in particular; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by this resolution we recognize the services of Dr. Hobart for his valuable contributions to the educational progress of the Watersmeet Township School District and the well-being of its students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this honor, recognition and resolution be a matter of public record for posterity and be duly recorded in the minutes of the Watersmeet Township Board of Education on this Nineteenth day of January, 2015.

The Board was in receipt of a retirement request from Business Manager, Sandra Robinson effective June 30, 2015. There was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by G.Zelinski, to offer a retirement payout of \$6500 for 5 years commencing January 2016. Roll Call Vote - N.Christ-Aye, P.Peterson, Jr.-Aye, F.Zelinski-Aye, G.Zelinski-Aye, J.Moll-Aye, D.Giannola-Nay, B.Caudill-Aye. Motion Carried. Business Manager Robinson gratefully accepted the offer.

The previously distributed Volume 29: No.1 NEOLA Bylaw and Policy update was discussed. On a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. the update was approved as presented. Motion Carried.

A listing of 2% Gaming Request projects were presented. There was a motion by D.Giannola supported by G.Zelinski to approve the projects as presented. Motion Carried.

Communication from Danielle Richardson requesting the Board consider writing a letter of recommendation to the GOISD Board for her to serve on the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) was reviewed. On a motion by G.Zelinski and supported by J.Moll the request was approved and communication will be forwarded to the GOISD Board. Motion Carried.

With areas of personnel needing to be looked at, the followed committees were set up for research:

Administration Position: B.Caudill, P.Peterson, Jr. and G.Zelinski
D.Giannola as alternate

Teaching/Support Staff: J.Moll, G.Zelinski and F.Zelinski
D.Giannola as alternate

Nick Christ volunteered to serve on the School Improvement Committee

The added agenda item of scheduled meeting dates was discussed With member F.Zelinski skating on Monday evenings, the possibility of changing the February and March meeting dates was discussed. There was a motion by F.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to not change the meeting dates, but to set the meeting time at 5:30 p.m. for the February and March regular meetings. Motion Carried.

Principal Report was given

On a motion by D.Giannola supported by J.Moll the Board adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Motion Carried.

President, Bruce Caudill

Secretary, Joan Moll