

WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular and Budget Meeting
June 29, 2015

President Bruce Caudill called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center and opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Present: B.Caudill, G.Zelinski, P.Peterson, Jr., J.Moll, N.Christ, T.Pallin
Admin. Peterson and Business Manager Robinson
Absent: F.Zelinski
Visitors: T.Hand, J.Ryskey

With the addition of adopting the 2015-2016 School Calendar and the Nurse position, there was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A budget hearing was conducted attesting to the property tax millage rate levied to support the proposed 2015-2016 budget as well as open for public participation. Information pertaining to the proposed and amended budgets with appropriate fund balances were presented.

Ensuing a financial review of the current budget, there was a motion offered by member J.Moll supported by member G.Zelinski adopting the final budget amendment for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A projection overview of the upcoming budget was presented. Upon conclusion there was a motion offered by member G.Zelinski supported by member T.Pallin adopting the projected budget for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried.

There was no one in attendance from Lac Vieux Desert.

There was no Student Council representative present at the meeting.

NEOLA policy and bylaw update Volume 29, #2 was distributed as a first reading and will conduct a final review for adoption at the July 27, 2015 Organizational Meeting. Discussion ensued on the NEOLA policy vs student handbook.

On April 20, 2015 Safe and Civil School Program Consultant, Laura Hamilton visited the School to monitor the climate and atmosphere. A very in depth assessment of the site visit was provided to the Board for feedback and/or corrective action toward a common goal of providing a true Safe and Civil school atmosphere. There was extensive discussion on the program, staff buy-in, consistency, follow through, etc.

A determination from Administrative Law Judge, Karen Carpenter ruled that former Business/Computer Instructor is disqualified for unemployment benefits under the misconduct provision of Section 29(1)(b) of the Act.

On a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by J.Moll the minutes of regular May 18 and Special May 20, 2015 meeting(s) were approved as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously.

There was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to approve the May accounts payable totaling \$122,672.38 for the General Fund and \$2,813.82 for the National School Lunch and Breakfast Fund. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A Reasoning and Writing Curriculum was explored and presented to the Board for approval. There was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by J.Moll to purchase the curriculum. Motion Carried.

Two bids were received for the gymnasium lighting retrofit project. The bids were reviewed and discussed. There was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to approve the low bid of Lindquist Electric, Inc. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by G.Zelinski supported by N.Christ to table agenda item #3, to post for an elementary position or fill within current staff and item #4, Consumer Ed/Art Instructor vs altering the class schedule, due to a new staffing situation. Motion Carried.

There was a motion by J.Moll supported by G.Zelinski to post for a part-time contracted Nursing position. Motion carried.

On a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by N.Christ the Board designated Hot Lunch Fund signatures of the Hot Lunch Director and Superintendent; Athletic and Activity Fund with signatures of the Board Treasurer and Superintendent; the General Fund with signatures of Board Treasurer and Superintendent; and the Payroll Fund, Debt Fund and Capital Projects fund with signatures of Board Treasurer and Superintendent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to table the Administrative Contracts pending negotiations. Motion carried.

With the hiring of a new Superintendent, there was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by J.Moll to authorize a school credit card for Mr. Gerald Pease. Motion Carried by Roll Call Vote.

The MHSAA Membership Resolution was passed on a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. Motion Carried Unanimously.

The July Organizational meeting was set for Monday, July 27, 2015 at 6:30 pm on a motion by J.Moll supported by G.Zelinski. Motion Carried.

Any items purchased for staff through grants or school district funding is the property of the School District and not for personal property. Motion by B.Caudill supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to draft a letter to the 5 coaches that devices purchased through the TRiG grant remain with the District and are District property. Also communication to all staff clarifying that any items related to the school district, instructor position and/or assisting with their position IS school property. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A final draft of the school calendar for 2015-2016 was presented for approval. There was a motion by J.Moll supported by N.Christ to approve the calendar as presented. Motion Carried.

The Principal Report was given.

There was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by J.Moll to go into executive session at 8:05 pm. Motion Carried Unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

There was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by N.Christ to return to regular session at 9:05 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously by Roll Call Vote.

Having no further business before the board, there was a motion by G.Zelinski supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to adjourn at 9:06 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

President, Bruce Caudill

Secretary, Joan Moll