

WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 29, 2014  
6:30 P.M.

In honor and respect, the Board observed a moment of silence and reflection for former President, Michael A. Hazen, Sr.

Vice President, George Zelinski assumes the role of President and called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm in the Media Center.

Roll Call: Present: G.Zelinski, D.Giannola, Dr. Hobart, J.Moll, P.Peterson, Jr.,  
Administrator Peterson and Business Manager Robinson  
Absent: G.Robinson, Jr.  
Visitors: T.Hand, C.Williquette, C.DeForge, S.Zelinski, F.Zelinski,  
N.Powell, R.Pallin, M.Fisk, J.Hook, E.McGeshick,  
N.Ellenberger

Instructor Cara DeForge was in attendance to make a National Honor Society presentation and request a stipend of \$550 for performing this honorary service. Upon conclusion of all discussion, there was a motion by D.Giannola supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to allow Instructor Cara DeForge to serve as the National Honor Society sponsor with a stipend of \$600 for the 2014-15 fiscal year only. Motion Carried. All Ayes.

Instructor Cole Williquette made a presentation to explore the possibility of incorporating an Environmental Tourism and Marketing curriculum experiment to our class offering that will start with the second semester on January 19, 2015. On a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by D.Giannola the class curriculum was approved as presented. Motion Carried.

One letter of interest and/or intent was received to fill the Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball vacancy. There was a motion by D.Giannola supported by Dr. Hobart to approve Elizabeth McGeshick to serve as the Jr. Varsity Basketball Coach for the 2014-15 school year. Motion Carried.

There was no LVD representation, correspondence and/or information.

On a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by Dr. Hobart the meeting minutes from August 18, 2014 were approved as presented. Motion Carried.

There was a motion made by Dr. Hobart supported by D.Giannola to approve the September accounts payable, which are tabulated and presented for payment. Motion Carried.

The Scout Lake Timber Harvest financial report was approved as presented with discussion about re-planting our renewable resource and possible policy and guidelines for use and/or what liability the school district would be responsible for.

Discussion took place regarding the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District applying for the Head Start Program. On a motion by J.Moll supported by Dr. Hobart a letter of support was approved and will be forwarded on to the GOISD in support of applying for the Head Start Grant for possible implementation of the program, if approved, in the future. Motion Carried.

There was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by D.Giannola to purchase “Stomp Out Bullying” T-Shirts for students, staff, board members and administration from the Nimrod Fund to support an Anti-Bullying Campaign targeting October 6<sup>th</sup> as the day of recognition. Motion Carried. A committee needs to be formed for disbursement of future Nimrod funding projects.

Member D.Giannola inquired about crossing guards to assist in getting students across the highway. Administrator Peterson will research the possibility.

Member D.Giannola inquired about the Marenisco bus run and how it was worked out and/or changed to accommodate the decreasing number of students being transported. Administrator Peterson advised the board that the route was changed to save the District \$6,000.

In an attempt to preserve the southern parking lot blacktop from the upcoming winter snowfall and plowing, there was a motion by P.Peterson, Jr. supported by Dr. Hobart to accept a quote from First Finish Line Services. Motion Carried.

Principal Report was given.

There was a motion by J.Moll support Dr. Hobart to go into executive session for negotiations at 7:45 pm. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.

Motion by D.Giannola supported by J.Moll to return to regular session at 8:35 p.m. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.

At the conclusion of the executive session for negotiations, there was a motion by D.Giannola supported by Dr. Hobart to keep the current contract language in the Support Staff contract reflected in Article 12.1 to try and maintain management rights to hire the most qualified applicants. Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Dr. Hobart, P.Peterson, Jr., J.Moll, D.Giannola

Nays: G.Zelinski

Motion Carried.

There was a motion by D.Giannola supported by P.Peterson, Jr. to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Motion Carried.

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President, George Zelinski

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Secretary, Joan Moll