

Minutes of the Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education
Regular Meeting Monday, August 10, 2015

The August 10, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Oscoda Area Schools, Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan, Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2015 by President Tony Johnson. The meeting was held in the Board of Education Meeting Room located in Oscoda Area High School, 3550 East River Road, Oscoda, Michigan 48750. President Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Davis read the district's Vision, Mission, and Belief statements.

Members Present: Ellis, Johnson, Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom, Reitler, Schlink
 Members Absent: None

Technology Director Jana Stepp updated the Board on the technology changes that have taken place. She reported:

- The district changed phone carriers from AT&T and Centurylink to Clear Rate to save money
- Internet service was upgraded from 50mg to 200mg
- Two refurbished servers were installed
- Added wifi to district and this resulted in a complete overhaul of the network
- 85% of the cost of wifi was paid for through a grant
- The district purchased 800 Acer Aspire computers which will be housed in OHS classrooms and available to students
- Computer labs from the high school were moved to the elementary school
- A computer for middle college classes was set up at the high school
- Fifty-one Dell Latitude 3450 laptops were purchased with Title funds to replace a lab that was purchased with these funds

Future technology endeavors include:

- Look for a better server backup solution
- Upgrade network server from Windows 2003 to Windows 2012
- Look for an inventory solution

Staff training in the realm of technology will include:

- Goggle training – Google classroom, Google drive forms and docs
- Skyward online assessments, new letters, RTI referrals, discipline referrals, and what's new in the gradebook
- Ongoing technology training throughout the school year during morning and afterschool professional development time
- the Institute for Excellence will be working with staff for 20 days on how to use technology to enhance student learning

The Board of Education heard no public/general comments.

Motion: by Ellis, supported by Kahila, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda Items which includes: the approval of the Agenda for the August 10, 2015 Regular Meeting; the tentative minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, July 13, 2015; the tentative minutes of the Facilities Improvement Meeting held on Wednesday, July 8, 2015; and the payment of the General Fund checks #11459 through #11533 totaling \$489,450.27, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Yeas: Ellis, Johnson, Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom, Reitler, Schlink
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Kellstrom, supported by Davis , that the Board of Education approve sending up to four Board Members to the 2015 MASB Annual Fall Conference, to be held October 22-25, 2015 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, MI, and to be reimbursed as per the Board Policy Bylaws.

Yeas: Johnson, Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom, Reitler, Schlink, Ellis
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7– 0 vote.

Motion: by Kellstrom, supported by Reitler, that the Board of Education name Tony Johnson as a delegate to the MASB Delegate Assembly which will begin on Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, MI

Yeas: Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom, Reitler, Schlink, Ellis, Johnson
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Ellis supported by Kellstrom, that the Board of Education approve an attendance incentive of \$150.00 for perfect attendance and \$75.00 for outstanding attendance for OAA, OEA, Local #1545, OSA and Central Office employees for the 2015-2016 school year. The maximum paid to Local #1545 employees eligible for sick day accumulation payment under Article 20 (4) of their Master Agreement combined with the attendance incentive shall not exceed \$150.00 for perfect attendance or \$75.00 for outstanding attendance.

Yeas: Kahila, Kellstrom, Ellis, Johnson,
 Nays: Reitler, Schlink, Davis
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 4– 3 vote.

Motion: by Ellis, supported by Kellstrom, that the Board of Education approve the 2015-2016 School Year Richardson Elementary School Student Handbook as presented and as recommended by the Administrative Team and the Superintendent of Schools.

Yeas: Kellstrom, Reitler, Schlink, Ellis, Johnson, Davis, Kahila
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Kellstrom, supported by Ellis, that the Board of Education grant a leave of absence without pay to RES teacher Whitney Dettmer for the 2015-2016 school year.

Yeas: Reitler, Schlink, Ellis, Johnson, Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7 –0 vote.

Motion: by Schlink, supported by Kahila, that the Board of Education approve the proposed addition to the OHS Student Handbook regarding credit recovery requirements as presented and as recommended by the High School Administration and the Superintendent of Schools.

Yeas: Schlink, Ellis, Johnson, Davis, Kahila, Kellstrom, Reitler
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 7 – 0 vote.

The Board of Education has its first presentation of the following policies:

- Policy #5605 – Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities
- Policy #5136 – Personal Communication Devices
- Policy #7530.01 – Board-Owned Personal Communication Devices
- Policy #7530.02 – Staff Use of Personal Communication Devices (New Policy)
- Policy #7540.03 – Student Education and Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
- Policy 7540.04 – Staff Education and Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
- Policy #7542 – Access to District Technology Resources from Personal Communication Devices (New Policy)

The Board of Education took a break at 8:16 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

Superintendent Moore announced that the staff welcome back will be held on Monday, August 31, 2015 at 7:40 a.m. Board members and administrators will cook pancakes and sausages for the staff.

Superintendent Moore updated the Board on the proposed irrigation of the baseball and softball practice fields. The Facilities Improvement Committee recommended that the irrigation on the softball and baseball JV fields be addressed. Bids were solicited, and the district received three quotes:

- Raindance Sprinkling Systems - \$24,581.75
- Marlo Lawn Sprinkler Systems - \$44,895.00
- Kokaly Lawn Sprinklers - \$16,870.00, with a two-year warranty.

Superintendent Moore noted that Kokaly Lawn Sprinklers installed the system at Dow Diamond. They came in with the lowest quote. The district will hire Kikaly Lawn Sprinklers to proceed with the project.

Superintendent Moore reported the hiring of National Honor Society Advisor Linda Skodack, Freshman Class Advisor Valorie Moeller, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach Kirk Franklin, and Varsity Softball Coach Mark Whitley, and the resignation of 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach Chris Manick.

The Board of Education acknowledged the 2015-16 list of probationary teachers, the list of volunteers, and the fundraising calendar.

Superintendent Moore reported the renewal of MSBO Technology Management Certification for Technology Director Jana Stepp.

Superintendent Moore stated that Cross Country and Competitive Cheer have been considered self-funded sports since 2011. He stated that in 2010 when district administrators were looking at closing Cedar Lake Elementary School the teachers rallied together and came up with a plan to cut \$1,000,000 from the budget. The plan was adopted through the budget adoption process. Part of the plan included making these two sports self-funded. However, the OEA contract still has cross country and competitive cheer as paid coaching positions, and these positions are filled by OEA members. It was determined that these two coaching positions should be paid, as they are still listed in the OSE master agreement. Superintendent Moore stated that the cost to the district will be approximately \$10,000.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.