

Proposed Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
June 27, 2016

President Van Sickler called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

Members present: Davis, Herman, McNerney, Palmer, Van Sickler, Zinn

Members Absent: Drumm

Administrators present: Hubbard, Walderzak, Weaver

Administrators absent: None

Visitors present: Annette Mills, Alaina Moreau, Lori Wolfe, Tammi Daymon, Laura Neelis, Katie Bissell

Approval of Agenda

Van Sickler amended the agenda by adding to New Business

Add:

A. Gary Valentine – School Com 608, School Safety

Move everything in New Business down one.

B. Insurance

Motion by McNerney, support by Davis to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Recognition of Guests: None

Questions on Building Reports: None

Communications: None

Approve Proposed Budgets

Motion by McNerney, support by Palmer to approve the 2015-2016 Proposed Revised Budget

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Motion by Zinn, support by Davis to approve the 2016-2017 General Fund Budget

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Motion by Herman, support by Zinn to approve the Debt Retirements Budget

Motion CARRIED

Motion by Zinn, support by Herman to approve the Food Service Budget

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Approval of Minutes

Motion by McNerney, support by Zinn to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held May 9, 2016

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Motion by Zinn, support Palmer to approve the executive minutes held during the Regular meeting May 9, 2016 as presented

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Van Sickler, support by McNerney to approve the bills as monies become available.  
Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### Consent Agenda

- A. Retirement
  - 1. Connie Marshall – Teacher
  - 2. Ben Steele – Teacher
  - 3. Karen Waldron – Paraprofessional
  - 4. Randy Simmon – Bus Driver
- B. Resignation
  - 1. Stepheny Fouch – Middle School Math Teacher
  - 2. Brad Johnston – JV Football Coach
  - 3. Dave Ruckle – Varsity Baseball Coach
- C. Hire
  - 1. Josh Russell – JV Football Coach
  - 2. Annette Mills – Middle School Teacher
  - 3. Alaina Moreau – Middle School Teacher
  - 4. Karen Gostomski – Renew Preschool Coordinator
- D. Administrative Contracts
  - 1. Darby Weaver – Elementary Principal
  - 2. Matt Walderzak – Dean of Students/Athletic Director
- E. Probationary Teachers
  - 1. Tara Hunter
  - 2. Allison Ritzema
  - 3. Troy Johnston
  - 4. Dustin Mobley
  - 5. Amber Mobley
  - 6. Chelsey Kellams
  - 7. Bethany Wieber
  - 8. Gloria Burns
  - 9. Matthew Koutz
  - 10. Austin Searfoss

Motion by McNerney, support by Zinn to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Mrs. Weaver introduced our two new middle school teachers.

#### New Business

Gary Valentine – School Com 608 – School Safety

Mr. Walderzak introduced Gary Valentine. Valentine is our truancy officer for the ISD. Mr. Valentine also works with school districts in our ISD on school safety. Valentine is a retired police officer. Valentine has come up with the first critical emergency response program for Michigan since the Columbine incident. Valentine makes a response plan with the local fire department and ambulance service for the school district. Valentine will come and do a lock down drill and evaluate response.

Hubbard states that he appreciates the work that Mr. Walderzak has done to get this program started along with our cardiac response.

#### Approve 2016-2017 School Calendar

Hubbard stated this was a collaborative meeting with the VEA and the common calendar with the MAISD. The district has been approved for a waiver to start school before Labor Day.

Motion by Davis, support by Zinn to approve the 2016-2017 School Calendar.

#### Set 2017 Commencement Date

Motion by Zinn, support by Palmer to approve June 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM for graduation.

Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### Approve State Aid Borrowing

Hubbard stated that Mrs. Weaver has been working with Thrun Law Firm on the resolution.

Motion by McNerney, support by Herman to approve the State Aid Borrowing

Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### MSAC Proposed Constitution Changes

Walderzak stated that with the addition of two schools to our league, most of the changes to the constitution are to do with that. Changing percentages, number of league nominations for first team and second team, etc. Also new to the league, the MHSAA has approved 6<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in middle school sports. As far as the league is concerned it is a as needed basis if the 7<sup>th</sup> grade teams are short players. The league is not adding 6<sup>th</sup> grade team sports.

Motion by McNerney, support by Zinn to approve the MSAC Constitution changes.

Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### Priority Update/Quarterly Report

Hubbard stated that you will see a lot the of the data when Mrs. Weaver reports the NWEA score. The district has made a lot of improvement.

#### Discipline/Attendance Report

Walderzak gave the board an overview of the discipline referrals throughout the second semester. Walderzak stated that as a district we met our goals for discipline. 80% of our students did not have a discipline referral. Walderzak stated that our teachers are working hard with the administration, Hope Crew and with the students.

#### Attendance

Walderzak gave the board an overview on the attendance. Walderzak stated we are working with Powerschool on a new attendance report. The truancy officer stated that the district is doing a good job reporting truancy.

#### Bullying

Walderzak stated that we had 5 incidents of bullying reported and dealt with this school year. The bullying stopped after they were reported and dealt with.

#### Homeless Report

Walderzak gave the board a report on the homeless situations in our area. Walderzak stated that Mrs. Gates is our first contact and fills out all of the paperwork.

#### Wellness Team Update

Walderzak stated that the identity of this group is to help students make healthy choices. The team is also looking at Neola Policies and Reproductive Health. They have promoted water and the importance of drinking water. Other projects have been sunscreen awareness, and walking more. The Wellness Team had a walk-to-school day. The team will host a color run for next year as a little fundraiser to help promote healthy choices.

#### NWEA Report- Weaver

Weaver have a presentation to the board on the growth from the NWEA scores. Their growth from fall to spring is amazing. Weaver stated that most students are growing 1 year to a year and a half in growth. Weaver talked about some of the interventions that the districts has done over the year and plans for next year. With the extra ELA teacher in the middle school the students will have two full hours of ELA. Weaver reported that our students and staff are working very hard and making huge growth.

#### Preschool Update

Weaver stated that right now in legislation the governor is changing the law that students have to be 4 by September 1<sup>st</sup> to attend preschool. Because this change next school year the district will only have 2 preschool classrooms.

#### Neola Policies

Van Sickler stated this is the first reading the of Neola Policies. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Hubbard.

Closed Session – Negotiations (P.A. Amended by Act No. 256 of 1978, per 15.268, section 8, paragraph c.)

Motion by McNerney, support by Zinn to enter executive session at 7:55PM

Roll call: Davis – yes, Herman – yes, McNerney – yes, Palmer – yes, Van Sickler – yes, Zinn – yes

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Motion by Herman, support by McNerney reenter regular session at 8:20PM

Roll call: Davis – yes, Herman – yes, McNerney – yes, Palmer – yes, Van Sickler – yes, Zinn – yes

Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### Insurance

Motion by McNerney, support by Zinn to change hardcap set by the State of Michigan

Hubbard would like to thank the VEA and the negotiating team for a very open and honest process and thought everything went very smooth.

Motion CARRIED 6-0

#### Item for Discussion/Other Business:

##### Special Education

Hubbard stated that he has been working with the ISD and they will be having monthly meetings. The ISD is committed to working with us on this situation.

##### Summer School

Hubbard stated that our students are able to take summer school through the virtual program and it is free of charge for our district.

Making a Difference Award

Barb Alexander was nominated by the parent advisory committee for the Making a Difference Award. Weaver read the letter that was submitted on Mrs. Alexander's dedication to making a difference for our students.

Organizational Meeting – July 11, 2016 @ 6:30

Power of One

The Power of One Award is going to Tonya Deverney this month. Tonya covered two additional days for us when we lost our teacher consultant due to an accident. Mrs. Weaver believes she is a real team player and very committed to our students.

Old Business: None

Recognition of Guests: None

Works in Progress: None

Items for next Board Meeting July 11, 2016

Motion by Zinn, support by Davis to adjourn at 8:27PM

Motion CARRIED 6-0

Karen S. Grover  
Recording Secretary