

**CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CASS CITY, MICHIGAN**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 28, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on October 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr/Sr High School Library.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stacey Bliss, Mandy Ross, Emily Lasceski, Janie Meeker, George Batty, Scott Richards and Bryce VanVliet

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Zimba, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Hartzell, Elementary Principal Fernald, CFO Pearce and Student Representative Chelsea Roach.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lasceski.

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to approve tonight's consent agenda as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Recognition and Presentations: Tom and Kathy Smentek for starting an engineering scholarship for CCPS. This will be awarded to 1 senior going to college for engineering. Wanted to that all the generous sponsors of the Dodge the Discipline Dodgeball activity. Also wanted to thank Cass City Oil and Gas and Paul Brown for their work on getting the AG greenhouse ready for use.

Public Participation: Madeline Tschirhart and Kayla Smith were introduced and are working on their masters in social work and are both assigned to Cass City Schools.

Reports and Communications:

Angie Burnette, from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran, P.C., CPA has reviewed the 2023-2024 fiscal audit report. The results of her report stated that Cass City Public Schools ended the 2023-2024 school year conforming to acceptable general accounting practices. It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the audit report as presented.) **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (Copy of the audit available upon request)

Aaron Fernald and Bill Hartzell went over the MStep/SAT scores from the beginning of the school year to present and a 3 and 5-year comparison. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to approve the change order from Thumb Cooling and Heating, for the Wellness Clinic, to include the sinks that were not in the original bid in the amount of \$4,688.00. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Barb Graff gave a wonderful account of all the great things that are going on district wide. (A copy is in the secretary's book)

Student Representative Chelsea Roach presented on the great things that the students have going on. Homecoming was a great success, The Prom committee raised over \$300 with the fundraiser that was held at the Cass Theater. They are beginning their treat train to help offset costs for the prom as well. The students are enjoying the Dodge the Discipline and are looking forward to the assembly where the winners of the tournament take on the staff. Oher things that have been going on are the calculus class spent time at the Zilwaukee Bridge, 9th grade US History class went to the Henry Ford Museum, NHS induction and Interact held a carnival at the elementary. They are looking forward to the upcoming Veterans Assembly.

Reminder of the upcoming Superintendent Evaluation dates: self-evaluation due to board by November 4th, Formal evaluation will be a closed session meeting on November 11th @ 5pm and at the regular board meeting on November 25th will be the final review outcome.

Fall Board Workshop/Dinner is November 20th, 5:30 p.m. Reception and 6:00 Dinner & Program.

Unfinished Business:

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the 1st reading of the revised Athletic Handbook. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by George Batty, to approve the Red Hawk Wellness Clinic Interagency Agreement, Consent Forms, the Request of Medical Records and Release of Information Policy, the Confidential Services and Confidentiality Policy, the Informed Consent Policy and Mandated Report Policy as presented in the board packet. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

New Business:

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the donation made by the Biddinger Family Foundation. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the donation to the CDL program from Kathy and Tom Dorland. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by George Batty, to approve the hiring of Natasha Binder for the food service department. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Mandy Ross, to approve the hiring of the winter athletic coaches. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Other: None

At 8:11 p.m., it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Stacey Bliss, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education