

**ONTONAGON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 PM, Monday, February 20, 2023
Ontonagon Area School Library**

CALL TO ORDER A regular meeting of the Ontonagon Area Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Tanya Weisinger, in the Ontonagon Area School Library, on Monday, February 20, 2023. Present- Tanya Weisinger, Tammy Strasser, Natalie Morgan, Josh Yaklyvich, Nancy Mattson, Staci Bengogullari. Absent - None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA Mattson made a motion, supported by Morgan, to accept the agenda as amended. All voting aye, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES Strasser made a motion, supported by Mattson, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 16, 2023, special meeting on January 31, 2023, and special meeting on February 5, 2023. AYE: Strasser, Mattson, Bengogullari, Morgan, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS Morgan made a motion, supported by Mattson, to acknowledge the January and February general fund invoices in the amount of \$51,434.45. AYE: Morgan, Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Strasser made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to approve the February general fund invoices in the amount of \$99,207.89. AYE: Strasser, Yaklyvich, Bengogullari, Mattson, Morgan, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE The Board acknowledged letters received from Trisha McIntyre, Davanee Jensen, Emmy Bobula, Cadence Cleland, Halle Floyd, Makennah Uotila, Mason Totzke, Bryce Buzzo, and Chloe Hoffstrom.

VISITORS Per written request, Makennah Uotila, Davanee Jensen, Cadence Cleland, Emmy Bobula, Barb Csmarich, and Julie Roe each addressed the Board.

Tom Csmarich requested a copy of the Proposed General Fund Budget Summary.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION Mattson made a motion, supported by Morgan, to accept the resignation from Kelsey Kempainen, School Board Member/Treasurer, effective January 27, 2023. AYE: Mattson, Morgan, Bengogullari, Strasser, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

APPOINT TREASURER Mattson made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to appoint Natalie Morgan as the School Board Treasurer. AYE: Mattson, Yaklyvich, Bengogullari, Strasser, Weisinger. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Morgan. Motion carried.

STAFFING / COACHING SAFFORD RESIGN Mattson made a motion, supported by Strasser, to accept the resignation from Luke Safford, Varsity Volleyball Coach, effective immediately. AYE: Mattson, Strasser, Bengogullari, Morgan, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

JESSUP HIRE	Strasser made a motion, supported by Morgan, to hire Jim Jessup for the Golf Coach position for the 2022-2023 school year. AYE: Strasser, Morgan, Bengogullari, Mattson, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.
RESOLUTION / BUS BONDS	Strasser made a motion, supported by Mattson, to approve the resolution from Thrun Law Firm regarding the 2023 School Bus Bond. AYE: Strasser, Mattson, Bengogullari, Morgan, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.
GENERAL FUND BUDGET	Mattson made a motion, supported by Bengogullari, to adopt the 2022-2023 revised general fund budget as presented, noting projected revenues of \$3,838,780, projected expenditures of \$3,982,460, leaving a projected fund balance of \$288,533 at June 30, 2023. AYE: Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Morgan, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.
STUDENT SERVICE BUDGET	Strasser made a motion, supported by Morgan, to adopt the 2022-2023 proposed student service fund budget, as presented, noting projected revenues of \$221,867, projected expenditures of \$227,576, leaving a projected fund balance of \$55,518 at June 30, 2023. AYE: Strasser, Morgan, Bengogullari, Mattson, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.
GOALS & BENCHMARK	Superintendent Johnson reported to the Board on the progress of goals and benchmark assessment scores.
VOTE OF CONFIDENCE	Morgan made a motion, supported by Mattson, to voice a Vote of Confidence in Superintendent Lisa Johnson by the Board of Education. AYE: Morgan, Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.
REPORTS	<p>Mr. Uotila reported -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -11 formal disciplinary referrals in the last month. -Ms. Carpenter is having students help with and work on cardboard sleds. -Juniors are going to GCC for College & Career Fair on February 23. -TRIO has been working with students (college readiness/campus visits, study skills, enrichment activities) -Middle school dance was held on February 17. -Mrs. Kalla is directing seniors on college scholarships. -Third quarter ends on March 10; report cards to follow the next week. -S4SD (Strive For Safe Driving) grant program is in full swing; MI State Police will be presenting to 9-12 graders on February 22; posters/buttons/art will be done by March 10. -Welding students going to tour Trident Plant on February 22. -Robotics Team will be competing for the next month. -Jr High students went skiing at the Porkies; thank you to Ms. Carpenter and volunteers. <p>Ms. Johnson reported -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -State grants we will be receiving include 97-School Safety \$32,264.53, 97d-Critical Incident Mapping \$3,000, and 98c-Learning Loss apx. \$30,000. -We have received our School Safety Report which includes over 30 items for the district to consider in relation to the next steps of increasing safety measures. -Liz Leach is currently out on medical leave; we are working collaboratively to support teacher needs and the ISD Superintendent is coming one day a week to help provide some additional support, if able, during her absence. -We had a professional development day on February 17 for staff with a literacy specialist who came to provide training on disciplinary literacy at secondary and worked to discuss more in depth regarding literacy data implementation in elementary.

-Becky has been working to clean up the district website.
-4th thru 8th grade students went on ski trips over the last few weeks; elementary students will be doing a sled competition on February 24.

KUDOS/THANK YOUS

Thank you to Kelsey Kemppainen for her service on the Board of Education.
Thank you to Luke Safford for being the Varsity Volleyball coach last year.
Kudos to Makennah Uotila on her 1,000 points and MHSAA scholarship award; to football players Mason Totzke and Bryce Buzzo on committing to play at St Norbert College in WI; to all students receiving scholarships and awards.
Thank you to the students and audience members for their input and well written letters.
Kudos to the staff and students for their hard work and data growth.

10 minute recess.

SCHOOL BOARD
CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

Interviews were held with Carl Lockhart and ~~Staci Bengogullari~~ *Bill Wood*

Open discussion by the full board regarding the School Board Candidate Interviews.

APPOINT BOARD MEMBER

Yaklyvich made a motion, supported by Bengogullari, to appoint Carl Lockhart AYE: Yaklyvich, Bengogullari. NAY: Mattson, Strasser, Morgan, Weisinger. Motion failed.

Strasser made a motion, supported by Morgan, to appoint Bill Wood AYE: Strasser, Morgan, Mattson, Weisinger. NAY: Bengogullari, Yaklyvich. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION /
ATTORNEY COMMUNICATION

Morgan made a motion, supported by Mattson, to move into closed session for the purpose of discussing an attorney communication. AYE: Morgan, Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

Morgan made a motion, supported by Mattson, to go back into open session at 8:00 PM. AYE: Morgan, Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

THIRD PARTY ATTORNEY

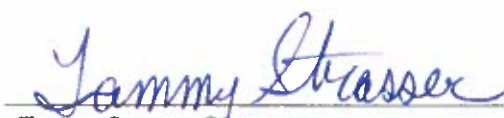
Mattson made a motion, supported by Bengogullari, to hire a third party attorney to handle a complaint received. AYE: Mattson, Bengogullari, Strasser, Morgan, Yaklyvich, Weisinger. NAY: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Strasser made a motion, supported by Morgan, to adjourn at 8:01 PM.



Tanya Weisinger, President



Tammy Strasser, Secretary