

**ONTONAGON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 PM, Monday, January 15, 2024
701 Parker Avenue, Ontonagon, MI 49953
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 Vice President Nancy Mattson, in the Ontonagon Area School Library, Ontonagon, Michigan, on Monday, January 15, 2024. Present - Nancy Mattson, Natalie Morgan, Josh Yaklyvich, Pat Tucker, Bill Wood, Carl Lockhart. Absent - Tonya Weisinger.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA	Yaklyvich made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to accept the agenda. All voting AYE, motion carried.
APPROVE MINUTES	Yaklyvich made a motion, supported by Wood, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 18, 2023, as presented. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.
FINANCIAL REPORTS	<p>Morgan made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to acknowledge the December and January General Fund invoices in the amount of \$71,039.10. AYE: Morgan, Yaklyvich, Lockhart, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.</p> <p>Yaklyvich, made a motion, supported by Wood, to approve the January General Fund invoices in the amount of \$67,179.10. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.</p> <p>Morgan made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to approve the January Capital Project/Sinking Fund invoices in the amount of \$5,036.00. AYE: Morgan, Lockhart, Yaklyvich, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.</p>
CORRESPONDENCE	Policy #0143.1 Handout - Public Expression of Board Members was tabled until the next meeting, as the handout was not included in the packet.
PUBLIC COMMENT	None.
2024 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS	Tucker made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to table the 2024 Committee Assignments until the next meeting. All voting AYE, motion carried.
AD HOC EARLY CHILDHOOD COMM	Ms. Johnson announced the formation of an Ad Hoc Early Childhood Committee, which will include Board, staff and community members. Local daycare providers will be invited to participate. The committee will start meeting in the Spring. Morgan expressed her interest in participating on the Committee.
CONTRACT ADDENDUM	Morgan made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to accept the Support Staff Letter of Agreement related to Unpaid Leave. AYE: Morgan, Yaklyvich, Lockhart, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.
STAFFING/FACULTY A DREW LEAVE	Morgan made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to approve a leave of absence for Anna Drew, beginning 01/08/2024, from her Elementary Kindergarten/Recess Para position for

the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. AYE: Morgan, Yaklyvich, Lockhart, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

HIRE A DREW

Wood made a motion, supported by Tucker, to hire Anna Drew for the Limited Term Elementary Teacher position starting 01/08/2024 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. AYE: Wood, Tucker, Lockhart, Yaklyvich, Morgan, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

HIRE M LaBINE

Morgan made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich, to hire Michelle LaBine for the Limited Term Elementary STEM Teaching position, 1 hour per day, starting 01/22/2024 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. AYE: Morgan, Yaklyvich, Lockhart, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

STAFFING/ADMIN HIRE P KUKANICH

Morgan made a motion, supported by Wood, to hire Peggy Kukanich for the Business Specialist position starting on 02/05/2024 at a salary of \$42,000 a year, pro-rated for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. AYE: Morgan, Wood, Lockhart, Yaklyvich, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

BANK ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATIONS

Morgan made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to name Lisa Johnson, Peggy Kukanich and Nancy Walker as authorized signatures on the following bank accounts: General Fund, Student Service Fund, Payroll Account, Capital Projects Fund, Student Activity Fund, Debt Retirement Funds, Retirement Fund and the Scholarship/Memorial Funds. AYE: Morgan, Lockhart, Yaklyvich, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTATION

Ms. Johnson presented each Board Member with a Certificate of Appreciation for School Board Appreciation Month, thanking them for their dedication and service to the School and to the Community.

NEOLA POLICY UPDATES/ SECOND READING

Morgan made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to acknowledge a second reading and adopt the NEOLA Policy updates from the September 2023 packet and Policy 0122 from November 2023 Special Update packet. AYE: Morgan, Lockhart, Yaklyvich, Wood, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: ~~Lockhart~~ Weisinger. Motion carried.

OVERNIGHT TRIP REQUEST/ ROBOTICS

Yaklyvich made a motion, supported by Wood, to approve the overnight trip request from Glen Beck for the following Robotics Competitions: March 7-9 in Escanaba, March 14-16 in Sault Ste. Marie and April 3-6 in Saginaw if they qualify for the State Competition. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

REPORTS

BOARD COMMITTEE - The Operations Committee met on January 3, 2024, to review RFP's for Audit Services and Accounting Services, discuss Sinking Fund work schedule for Summer 2024, discuss event licensure requirements, discuss budget work timeline and discuss community communication for the upcoming Bond renewal.

Ms. Johnson reported –

- Recent ISD Student Record audit - no areas for improvement
- Finance Projects - Budget sessions for next school year
- Capital Projects - begin to meet with architects
- Grant Updates - 23G and Summer Program Grants
- RFP's for Audit Services and Accountant
- Speech and Language Services - temporary change in service delivery
- Early childhood program exploration
- Math Curriculum

- MTSS System
- Class scheduling for 2024-2025 School year

Ms. Leach reported -

- Exams this week
- M-Class and STAR testing
- Officer Trooper Joe coming January 22
- MTU STEM Family Night
- PTA meeting
- Jeff Olson coming in February - Do it for Daniel Presentation

Mr. Uotila reported -

- 219 reported behavioral entries
- 50/50 major write-ups/minor
- 14 positive entries (leadership/good behavior)
- High percentage of issues occurring at beginning of day/end of day
- Majority of issues with Middle School grades

KUDOS

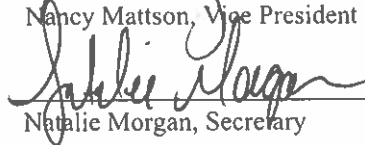
Kudos to Jodi Store for her clear student audit.
Thank you to Mrs. Kalla for designing and making staff T-shirts.
Thank you to Nancy Walker for helping with Board and extra duties during transition.
Thank you to all teachers for their PD discussions.
Thank you to Glen Beck for his leadership and work with the kids in Robotics.
Thank you to Anna Drew for doing the cheerleading clinics with the littles.

ADJOURN

Tucker made a motion, supported by Yaklavich, to adjourn at 6:37 PM.



Nancy Mattson, Vice President



Natalie Morgan, Secretary