

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 23, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on October 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City High School Library by President Alice Zaleski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stacey Bliss, Alice Zaleski, Emily Lasceski, Janie Meeker, Geroge Batty and Janet Richards

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Osentoski

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, Asst. Principal/A.D. Director Markel, Student Representative Robert Weaver and CFO Zimba.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Emily Lasceski to approve the consent agenda as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book).

Recognition and Presentations:

The Board recognized the following students as the Red Hawk Award of Excellence Winners:
Paula Learman – 6th Grade and Reed White – 12th Grade

School Nurse Kathy LaPonsie was recognized for leading the way in Cass City Elementary and Jr/Sr High Schools receiving the Michigan HeartSafe award 2 years in a row. Cass City is the only school in Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties to receive this award.

Reports and Communications:

Angie Burnette, from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran, P.C., CPA's reviewed the 2016/2017 fiscal audit report. The results of her report stated that Cass City Public Schools ended the 2017 school year conforming to acceptable general accounting practices with a general fund balance as of June 30, 2017 of \$1,657,749.00. It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the audit report as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

CFO Allison Zimba presented the final bond refinancing. The bid from Thumb National Bank at 1.54% was accepted saving the district approx. \$90,000. The resolution was read by Emily Lasceski, supported by Janie Meeker to accept Thumb National Bank's bid of 1.54%. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Emily Lasceski to open a new bank account with Thumb National Bank for the Debt Retirement account and for new signature cards. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Superintedent Hartel presented the board with an Expulsion Summary. After some discussion it was decided that Mr. Hartel will discusse a section of the policy with our NEOLA representative on the wording of a certain section. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

The count day enrollment numbers were presented to the board. We have a total of 985 students entroll district wide. We are +2 from the February count and -2 from last October count.

Trustee Janet Richards gave a report on the Strategic Planning committee. They are making good progress and will meet again next month.

Mr. Hartel shared that Parent/Teacher conferences for both buildings will be held on Tuesday, November 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A time was set for the formal Superintendent Evaluation on November 20, 2017. It will be a closed session meeting held at 6:00 p.m. in the Jr/Sr High School conference room.

On Friday, October 27th, Mr. Hartel will meet at McDonalds at 7:30 a.m. for a time of coffee and discussion with people to get feedback on the district.

Trustee George Batty reported on an MASB conference that he attended.

Public Participation: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Secretary Emily Lasceski read a resolution regarding the Board of Education Governance Standards. A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to adopt the MASB Board of Education Governance Standards. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

The school district is bidding out the lawn mowing service and a timeline for the bidding process was presented. (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.**

Emily Lasceski, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education