
**Otsego Public Schools - Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
held in the Board Room
June 14, 2010**

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The meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Herm at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, Stafford
MEMBER ABSENT: Campbell and Weeldreyer
ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Patzer, interested staff and citizens

Motion by Sleeman, support by Stafford to adopt the agenda for June 14, 2010 as presented.

AYES: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, and Stafford
NAYS: None

Superintendent Patzer reported on the reception held for the retirees. He announced that Mark Rollandini would be transferring to the Dix Street Elementary Principal's position for the 2010-11 school year and Alice Hoekstra will be placed at Otsego Public Schools by AAESA as the Otsego/Plainwell Special Education Director. He informed the Board about a fundraiser that Harold Ziegler Ford would be holding on October 2. They will donate \$20 for every vehicle test driven on the course they will set up at the high school up to a maximum of \$6,000. Mr. Patzer also announced that negotiations started today with the Otsego Educational Support Personnel Association.

Motion by Ransbottom, support by Cronen to approve the following agenda items:

- A. Approve Minutes of May 24, 2010**
- B. Payment of monthly bills in the amount of \$1,306,381.97**
- C. Accepted letters of resignation for retirement:**

Jane Adams
Dolores Augustine
Robert Augustine
Ray Bomeli
Julie Bonnette
Kathy Chmielewski
Mike Garvey
Denise Gray
Ruth Hansen

Cathleen Hayes
Janice Honsberger
Ken Knight
Anita Lawson
Pam Marlett
Mark McMillin
Cheryl Morrissey
Sue Newkirk
Rick Palmer

Sara Parlow
Donna Parr
Sue Raven
Al Redder
Art Roberts
Mary Shepich
Sue Squires
Pat Vemich-Burgwald
Barb Wolverton

D. Employed:

Edema, Allison	Kindergarten Teacher at ALA
Eichler, Kaylyne	Kindergarten Teacher at WSE
Farr, Kathryn	Special Education Teacher at ALA
Flack, Jessica	3 rd Grade Teacher at ALA
Howrigan, Richard	Night Custodian at DSE
Jewett, Jacob	4 th Grade Teacher at DSE
Knight, Jennifer	1 st Grade Teacher at WSE
Richie, Aubrey	5 th Grade Teacher at WSE
Sterenberg, Amanda	Special Education Teacher at DSE & WSE
VanderKlok, Mark	4 th Grade Teacher at ALA
Watson, Gina	1 st Grade Teacher at DSE

AYES: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, and Stafford

NAYS: None

Motion by Stafford, support by Ransbottom to approve probation and tenure status for the following employees as recommended by the building principals and Superintendent.

<u>TENURE</u>	<u>HIRE DATE</u>	
1. Long, Steve	July 24 06	<u>3rd Year Probation</u>
2. Ruiz, Merry Beth	Sept 11 06	1. Scott, Justin Aug 25 08
3. Holmes, Josh	Sept 11 06	2. McKinney, Lance Aug 25 08
<u>4th Year Probation</u>		3. Knight-Lucas, Nicole Aug 25 08
1. Strayer, Christine	Jan 29 07	<u>2nd Year Probation</u>
2. Martin, William	Aug 13 07	1. Corbett, Becky Aug 28 09
3. Harthun, Erin M.	Sept 10 07	2. Evans, Jennifer Aug 28 09
4. Steketee, Autumn	Sept 10 07	3. Shabala, Matthew Aug 25 08 LO 2009-10
5. Knash, Jacob	Sept 10 07	

Motion by Ransbottom, support by Cronen to approve the food service contract with Chartwells for the 2010-11 fiscal year as recommended by the Director of Business and Superintendent.

AYES: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, and Stafford

NAYS: None

Motion by Stafford, support by Sleeman to renew our membership with the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the high school and middle school for the 2010-11 school year.

AYES: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, and Stafford

NAYS: None

Motion by Ransbottom, support by Stafford to approve an out of state trip to Cedar Point on Saturday, August 7, 2010 for the high school band as requested by the Band Director and Band Boosters.

AYES: Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Sleeman, and Stafford

NAYS: None

Dan Bushouse, Director of Instruction, reported on the Ed Yes school report card. He said all of our buildings received an "A" grade from the State. He told the Board he will be submitting a request at the June 28 workshop for the purchase of elementary physical education textbooks and materials for next year.

Mr. Bushouse also gave a report on the Transportation Department. He reported that six Special Education bus drivers and five aides will be transferring to AAESA on July 1. AAESA is meeting with them on June 25 to finalize details of the transfer. He announced that Ken Knight, the dispatcher, will be retiring on June 30. Mr. Bushouse also stated that the countywide transportation study report should be available soon.

Business Director Rhonda Plumley submitted the Booster groups' 2010-11 budgets for review. The Board will approve them at the June 28 special meeting. Mrs. Plumley reminded the Board that the annual Budget Hearing will be held on June 28 at 7:00 p.m. just prior to a special meeting.

Superintendent Patzer gave a report on custodial and maintenance summer projects. He said we are replacing gym lights and fixtures with an energy rebate and the savings on the electric bill is huge. The majority of the summer work is the construction of a couple classrooms and lockerroom repair at Washington street and painting. Also we're going to have a storage unit/observation deck near the tennis courts for the band and tennis programs. The custodians start team cleaning the buildings on Wednesday.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Donna M. Weeldreyer, Secretary
Board of Education

NEXT MEETING: BUDGET HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, June 28, 2010 in the Board Room at 7:00 p.m.