
**Otsego Public Schools
Board of Education
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
September 14, 2009**

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The meeting was called to order by President Campbell at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room in the Administration Office.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sleeman

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Patzer and interested staff and citizens

Motion by Herm, support by Cronen to adopt the agenda for September 14, 2009 as presented.

AYES: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer

NAYS: None

Superintendent Patzer stated that enrollment is holding even from 2008 numbers. We are monitoring class size. OEA negotiations are continuing this week. Mr. Patzer attended a meeting with the Wolverine Conference superintendents last week to discuss common issues such as budgets, curriculum, athletics, etc. He is going to put together a survey to gather more information.

Motion by Herm, support by Stafford to approve the following agenda items:

A. Approve Minutes of August 3, 10 & 31, 2009

B. Payment of Monthly bills in the amount of \$1,436,539.46

C. Accepted resignation of Jerrie Matthews, Tutor at WSE 9/16/02 – 8/24/09

D. Employment of Staff:

Brady, Heather Special Education Aide at DSE

Kitchen, Donna Tutor at WSE

Moulter, Katie Bus Aide

Pickett, Nicole Bus Aide

Vilas, Julie Tutor at WSE

AYES: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer

NAYS: None

Motion by Ransbottom, support by Cronen to approve the Adult Education program schedule and calendar for the 2009-10 school year as required by the Michigan Department of Education.

AYES: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer
NAYS: None

Motion by Ransbottom, support by Stafford to approve the resolution to levy millage for 2009-10.

AYES: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer
NAYS: None

Motion by Herm, support by Cronen to appoint Members Ransbottom and Stafford as the voting delegates at the 2009 Delegate Assembly of the Michigan Association of School Boards' Fall Conference in October 2009. The voting alternate shall be Member Weeldreyer.

AYES: Campbell, Cronen, Herm, Ransbottom, Stafford and Weeldreyer
NAYS: None

Discussion was held regarding selecting the two representatives to meet with the two Plainwell Board representatives and Superintendent. No decision was made at this time. Appointment will be made at a future meeting.

Superintendent Patzer reported on maintenance and operations. He suggested a new name for the Alternative Education program – “West Campus High School”. He reported on H1N1 flu and cleaning precautions we are taking. He is going to survey parents to see if they would have their kids vaccinated here if we held a clinic. He also reported on the roof replacement at Washington Street Elementary, servicing fire protection equipment and snowplowing.

Director of Instruction Dan Bushouse reported on curriculum. He is also supervising the Transportation Department this year so he reported on that department. He said several town routes are large and we may have to be making some changes. There is a new special education route and we have hired a couple new aides. Mr. Bushouse also reported on transportation service to sporting events and after school activities. Sometimes those trips interfere with regular bus routes and parents have been helpful in taking their athlete to events.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**Donna M. Weeldreyer, Secretary
Board of Education**