

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 20, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on May 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., in the Jr/Sr High School Library by President Emily Lasceski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Emily Lasceski, Scott Richards, George Batty, Stacey Bliss, Mandy Ross,
MEMBERS ABSENT: Janie Meeker and Bryce VanVliet

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Allison Zimba, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Bill Hartzell, Elementary Principal Aaron Fernald, CFO Natalie Pearce, Business Manager Beth Kittle and Julie Bitzer Student Achievement Coordinator

President Lasceski adopted the consent agenda as present in the board packet.

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by George Batty to accept the consent agenda items as presented in the Board packet. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED**

Recognition and Presentations:

1. Red Hawk Award of Excellence
 - Brooklyn Polega - 4th grade
 - John Ferguson - 5th grade
 - Evan Brown - 7th grade
 - Lauryn Hempton - 10th grade

Public Participation: None

Reports and Communications:

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by, Stacey Bliss, to approve the 2024-2025 annual resolution, supporting the Tuscola Intermediate School District's general fund budget. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Paving for the Jr./Sr. High School parking lots will start on June 3rd. Bids for the Classroom/Clinic will be on Wednesday, May 22nd.

Tutoring graph was presented showing the growth in second through fifth grades from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Superintendent Zimba presented the evaluations that Business Manager, Tech Director, Food Service Director, Athletic Director/Operations Manager and Student Achievement Coordinator evaluations were effective and/or highly effective.

A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by Scott Richards to accept Elementary Principal Aaron Fernald's evaluation and add 1 year to his existing contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by Scott Richards, to accept Jr/Sr High School Principal William Hartzell's evaluation and add 1 year to his existing contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by Mandy Ross to accept the bid from SAVVAS for the new ELA curriculum in the amount of \$109,443.44. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Scott Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the bill from Michigan Fence Co., Inc. with the additional cost added for expanded fencing at the football field. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Graduation will be this Thursday, May 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Reminder of the Truth in Taxation Meeting June 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Mandy Ross, that Cass City Public Schools remain a "School of Choice" for the first semester of the 2024/2025 school year. Recommend all grades open except 11th and 12th grade with the option for the board to accept those grade students that are on track to graduate and with no major discipline issues. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

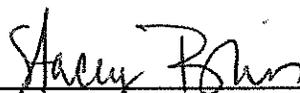
A motion was made by George Batty, supported by Scott Richards, to approve the donation from Tuscola County Community Foundation fund provided by Dr. Ed and Dorothy Scollon Family Foundation to be used for CeeCee in the amount of \$1,000.00. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the hiring of Mark Cooper as a Special Education Teacher. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A retirement letter was read by Stacey Bliss from Tena Rabideau. It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Mandy Ross to accept Tena Rabideau's retirement with gratitude and regrets. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A resignation letter was read by Stacey Bliss from Mike Peter. A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by Scott Richards, to accept the resignation, with regrets. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

At 7:40 p.m., it was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**



Stacey Bliss, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education