

CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CASS CITY, MICHIGAN

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 22, 2012

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on October 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City High School Library by President Craig Bellew.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Bellew, Alice Zaleski, Sloane Stimpfel, David Osentoski, and Kathy Leslie,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Daniel Manwell and Chad Kreeger

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, Asst. Principal Markel, CFO Klosowski, Technology Director Severance, Food Service Director Bock, Outdoor Maintenance Director Schuette and Student Representative Zac Deitering.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bellew.

The meeting agenda was reviewed. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Sloane Stimpfel, that the agenda be approved as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by Sloane Stimpfel, supported by David Osentoski, that the minutes from the regular monthly board meeting and the closed session meeting on September 24th be approved as sent. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (Copies are in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Kathy Leslie, that the bills in the amount of \$197,409.02 be paid in their entirety. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

Recognition and Presentations:

Superintendent Hartel was recognized for being selected as the Michigan Region Five, Superintendent of the Year. He will now be considered among the nominations from the state's other four regions for the selection of Michigan Superintendent of the Year.

Red Hawk Award of Excellence Winners were introduced.

Rebecca Morrish – Elementary School - 6th grade

Michael Rader – Jr./Sr. High - 9th grade

Reports and Communications:

The Board heard the monthly budget report (DS-4868) from CFO, Mike Klosowski. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Craig Bellew, that the report be approved as sent. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

CFO, Klosowski also explained how student FTE's affect the distribution of state aid funds to public schools.

The Board reviewed nominations for the MASB's, "Public Education Believes in Me" program. It was decided to continue accepting applications for another month, with a candidate chosen at the November board meeting.

Superintendent Hartel gave an update on the Campbell Elementary School building and it's contents. Plans were made for the Board to tour the building, at 6:15 p.m. prior to the regular November 26th board meeting.

Principal, Daniels announced that, the high school was recently identified by the Michigan State Board of Education as “Beating the Odds.” The studies for this award focused on areas such as student achievement in reading and science and statewide percentile ranking in spite of obstacles, such as having a large percentage of student qualifying for free or reduced means, and being located in an urban or rural area.

The Board also received news from the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), that the Cass City Elementary School has received recognition for excelling in the National School Lunch Program initiative. This program emphasized improved quality and nutritional value of school meals, while at the same time encouraged students to take part in regular physical activity. The school will be receiving a bronze-level certificate, along with a \$500 check.

The recent parent/teacher conferences held on October 15th were reported as being very well attended.

Public Participation:

High school parent, Kris Milligan, expressed concerns over school fund raising activities and requested that they be more closely monitored.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

The Board reviewed a resolution for the 2012/13 MDE’s “Best Practices Incentive” program. This year schools must meet seven (7) of the eight (8) requirements to be eligible, no later than June 01, 2013, to receive the Section 22f funds. Action on the resolution will be taken at the November 26th regular board meeting. (A copy of the resolution is in the Secretary’s book.)

Other: None

At 8:03 p.m., it was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Sloane Stimpfel, that the regular meeting be adjourned.
All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Sloane Stimpfel, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education