

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 26, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on April 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm, in the Jr/Sr High School board room and via Zoom by President Emily Lasceski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Zaleski via zoom, David Osentoski, George Batty, Scott Richards, Janie Meeker, Emily Lasceski and Stacey Bliss

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, CFO Zimba, Student Representative Abbey Phillips and IT Director Severance.

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

Recognition and Presentations:

1. Abby Phillips – 20/21 Board of Education Student Representative
2. Mariah Mellendorf
 - Breaking Traditions Merit Award: non-traditional CTE program
 - Michigan CTE Competition – 1st place Computer Security
 - National Competition Qualifier
3. Brandon Witherspoon
 - Michigan CTE Competition – 4th place Server Administration
 - National Competition Qualifier
4. Gary Janik
 - Michigan CTE Competition – 6th place Linux (Linux is an operating system)
 - National Competition Qualifier
5. 2020/21 GTW Athletic All-Conference Winners are:

Girls Basketball: First Team – Saylor Cuthrell; Second Team – Abbey Halabis; Honorable Mention – Haven Bouverette and Sierra Spry

Boys Basketball: Second Team – Bryce Fernald; Honorable Mention – Carter Patrick and Michael Fernald

6. Class of 2021 - Honor Students:

Seniors earning GPAs of 3.50 or higher are: Madison Beckrow, Haven Bouverette, Riley Copeland, Tayler Marshall, Sophie Mazure, Nicholas McArdle, Mariah Mellendorf, Matthew Mihalic, Raeven Periso, Marissa Petiprin-Ball, Abigail Phillips, Jacob Shantz, Sierra Spry, Tasha Tageson, Anthony Thabet, Autumn Turnbull, Macey White

Seniors earning GPAs of 3.00 to 3.49 are: Emily Bootz, Madison Cumper, Ryan Delong, Bryce Fernald, Gianluca Ghinazzi, Isabella Hill, Paige Hudson, Dawson Klein, Hali Kucharczyk, Kayla Pashby, Alexander Perry, Cody Sangster, Kristin Stimpfel, Jeremy Valasquez, Brandon Witherspoon, Noah Zaleski

Public Participation: None

Reports and Communications:

The reconfirmation meeting of the Extended COVID Learning Plan was presented to the board. It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by David Osentoski to accept the Learning Plan for April as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Janie Meeker, Alice Zaleski and George Batty will represent the board in the upcoming negotiations.

George, Alice, Scott, Allison and Jeff worked on finalizing the Thrun Board policy. The documents were sent to the board for review prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Scott Richards, supported by Janie Meeker to accept the first reading the Thrun Board Policy. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

The evaluations for the CFO, Tech Director, Food Service Director, Transportation Director, Athletic Director and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent were presented.

A Special Education summary was presented by Superintendent Hartel showing percentage of students with an IEP, state assessment participation rates and graduation rates. Cass City is doing exceptional. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A recommendation was made by Superintendent Hartel to hire a teacher for each building for the 2021/22 school year to handle virtual education. This came about after a meeting with the staff at both buildings. A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Scott Richards to hire a teacher at each building for virtual instruction for the 2021/22 school year. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Elementary Principal Fernald presented the summer school program for grades K-6. (A copy is in the Secretary's book) Jr/Sr High School Principal Daniels also presented the summer school program for grades 7-11. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Recommendations for continuing employment (Probationary teachers)
It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Matthew Sweeney a Tenure Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Kelli McIntyre a Tenure Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Stacey Gruber a Tenure Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Emily Baur a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Robin Keine a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to grant Kyle Pine a Second Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by George Batty, to grant Heather Middleton a Third Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by George Batty, to grant Susan Hanby a Third Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by George Batty, to grant Chris Kimble a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by George Batty, to grant Jeremy Buxman a Tenure Contract. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Student Representative Abbey Phillips reported that year end events for the Seniors are coming up. Senior awards night, a trip to a Tigers game, the last day of school and graduation.

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

CFO Zimba presented the bids for the purchasing of a new steamer and a tilting skillet for the cafeteria. A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker to purchase a new steamer and tilting skillet from Stafford-Smith, Inc for \$32,567.00. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Other:

At 8:07 p.m., it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Janie Meeker, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education