

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
April 25, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on April 25, 2022 at 7:00 pm, in the Jr/Sr High School board room.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alice Zaleski, Emily Lasceski, George Batty, Scott Richards, Janie Meeker, Bryce VanVliet and Stacey Bliss

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Zimba, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Hartzell, Elementary Principal Fernald, Teacher Representative Gruber and IT Director Severance.

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

**Recognition and Presentations:**

1. Abbey Halabis – 21/22 Board of Education Student Representative
2. 2021/2022 GTW Athletic All-Conference Winners are:
  - Girls Basketball: First Team – Saylor Cuthrell and Shelby Ignash  
Second Team – Abbey Halabis  
Honorable Mention – Olivia Krueger and Kalee Gray
  - Boys Basketball: First Team – Michael Fernald and Carter Patrick  
Honorable Mention – Riley Swiderski
  - Bowling: First Team – Vaughn Severance  
Second Team – Kelsey Badger
  - Wrestling: First Team – Logan Kaake, Cameron Gottschalk and Cooper Mallory  
Second Team – Zach Cowdry and Ethan Kampo  
Honorable Mention – Rylan Kruse  
Chelsea Roach – 6<sup>th</sup> in the stat for Girls Wrestling
3. Cass City Students who are members of the National Technical Honor Society at Tuscola Tech Center.
  - Breanna Wolschlager – 2<sup>nd</sup> year
  - Bryce Koch – nominated this year
4. Class of 2022 - Honor Students:
  - Seniors earning GPAs of 3.50 or higher: Alex Hopper, Abbey Halabis, Abigail Essex, Vaughn Severance, Rhett Meeker, Kalee Gray, Olivia Graff, Alexander Swiderski, Lauren Hartsell, Connor Herford and Madison Ware
  - Seniors earning GPAs of 3.00 to 3.49: Autumn Sutton, Laci Anthony, Parker VanWormer, Breanna Wolschlager, Erin Laurie, Asia Morgan, Alexandria Tilt, Jeffrey Mathewson, Kyle Koepf and Grace Keyser

**Public Participation:** T.C. Gruber excited to report that the STEM fair was back and there were lots people out to visit the fair. Some our students competed in the MDOT Bridge competition.

**Reports and Communications:**

Resolution authorizing the bond purchase from OK Financial Securities, Inc. was presented to the board. Total amount available is \$26,000.13 higher that what was. Budgeted.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the resolution authorizing the sale of the bond purchase from BOK Financial Securities, Inc. as presented. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Bond update-Rent a boxes will be coming at the end of April for the teachers to put the contents of their rooms in while under construction. Lyle presented the Technology Part 3: Video surveillance around all the buildings- Incomp TSG/Verkada. Desktops/Laptops/staff chromebooks -Sehi. Both companies are out of Southfield. It was moved by Alice Zaleski supported by Jane Meeker to accept the bond approval for Technology Part 3. All Ayes MOTION CARRIED. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

School bus purchase bid approval was presented to the board from Hoekstra Transportation. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the bid from Hoekstra Transportation as presented. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Budget update: \$450 per pupil increase for next year.

Superintendent evaluation discussion: Board will fill out their own evaluation prior to next month's meeting. They will meet at 6:30 in closed session prior to regular Board Meeting.

Bill Hartzell presented to the Board a requirement modification to PE/Band. If a student is in Marching Band they will not have to meet the PE requirement, but will still have to take Health. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker to accept the requirement modifications for PE/Band as presented by Bill Hartzell. All Ayes MOTION CARRIED

Upcoming events: Prom is coming up, testing is still taking place, spring sports are being played, 9 new pigs for FFA in the barn, Tractor Day, Decision Day, field trips, Senior Awards, other awards, Jr Check in day and other activities.

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the second reading of Thrun updates on Student's, Curriculum and Academic Matters. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Recommendations for continuing employment (Probationary teachers)

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Robin Keine a Tenure Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Janie Meeker to grant Emily Ricker a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Kyle Pine a Third Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Scott Richards to grant Caitlin Lowe a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Abigail Vance a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski supported by Janie Meeker to grant Karn Brown a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Janie meeker to grant Vicki Kiehl a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Chris Kimble a Tenure Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Heather Middleton a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by George batty to grant Susan Hanby a Fourth Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Janie Meeker to grant Jessica Hahn a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss to grant Ashley Hagen a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Jane Meeker, supported by Alice Zaleski to grant Jared Forbes a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Scott Richards, supported by Janie Meeker to grant Jordyn Nordstrom a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by George Batty, supported by Bryce VanVliet to grant Erin Venema a Second Year Probationary Contract. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

**New Business:**

Mid Michigan Co-op Girls Hockey, which is not an MHS A sport has one Cass City student who is on the team.

It was moved by Emily Lasceski, supported by Janie meeker to accept the contract for Julie Bitzer as the new Student Achievement Coordinator for the upcoming school year. Roll Call - Ayes: Emily Lasceski, Alice Zaleski, Stacey Bliss, George Batty, Bryce VanVliet. Abstained: Scott Richards

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by George Batty to hire Alyson Depure as the new Special Education teacher for the upcoming school year. All Ayes. MOTIONED CARRIED

**Other:**

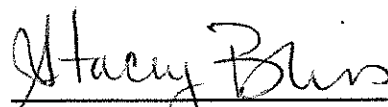
Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> is the Spring Band Concert at 6:00 p.m.

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

At 7:45 p.m. the Board went into Closed Session in regards to student discipline. Roll Call vote. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED

At 8:24 p.m. the Board returned to Open Session

At 8:29 p.m. the Board adjourned the meeting.



Stacey Bliss, Secretary  
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education