

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 25, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on August 25, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr/Sr High Library by President, Emily Lasceski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Emily Lasceski, George Batty, Kevin Rice, Stacey Bliss, Mandy Ross, Bryce VanVliet and Janie Meeker.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Zimba, Elementary Principal Fernald, Jr/Sr High Principal Tamlyn, Assistant Principal Jones, CFO Pearce, Student Achievement Coordinator Bitzer

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Emily Lasceski.

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Mandy Ross, to approve the consent agenda as presented in the board packet. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED**

Recognition and Presentation: A letter was received from Cass City Police WC Hartzell praising Jr/Sr High Principal Amy Tamlyn for quickly taking action, to assure the safety of the staff and students that were on campus during a potential issue in the Village.

Congratulated CFO Natalie Pearce on obtaining her Business Office Manager certification through MSBO.

Public Participation: None

Reports and Communications:

Allison gave an enrollment report for the start of 2025-2026 school year. Enrollment is down 1 student from winter count last year.

Superintendent Zimba talked with the board about a potential bond vote and a sub-committee consisting of George, Emily and Bryce, will be meeting this Thursday at 4:30 pm.

Information was given on the Cass City Promise and the upcoming Donor Wall. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Teacher Barb Graff gave a short recap of the first week of school. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Chloe Franzel was introduced as the new Student Representative to the Board of Education for the 2025-2026 school year. Chloe gave a few highlights from the first week of school. The students thought the opening day assembly was amazing. Athletics has started. She heard good feedback on the new policy of using badges for lunch.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the 1st reading of the Thrun Board Policy updates. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by George Batty, to approve the 1st reading of the Virtual Handbook. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the \$5,000 donation from Douglas and Michele Erla for elementary playground pavilion. **All Ayes, MOTION CARRIED**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the \$5,000 donation from Craig and Joan Helwig for the elementary playground pavilion. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the \$5,000 donation from Jan and Matt Zimba for the elementary playground pavilion. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the \$5,000 donation from Daniel Erla for the elementary playground pavilion. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

At 7:19 p.m., it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss that the regular monthly meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Stacey Bliss, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education