

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 23, 2017**

The organizational meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on January 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr/Sr High School Board Room by President Alice Zaleski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Zaleski, Stacey Bliss, David Osentoski, Janie Meeker, Emily Lasceski, George Batty and Janet Richards.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Asst. Principal Markel, CFO Zimba and Student Representatives Paige Bagnell and Emily Peters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Zaleski

Board Members Janie Meeker, Emily Lasceski, Janet Richards and George Batty were sworn in for their 4 years terms by Superintendent Hartel.

President pro tem Alice Zaleski opened the floor for nominations of 2017 school board officers:

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Janet Richards, to nominate **Alice Zaleski for president. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by David Osentoski, to nominate **Janie Meeker for vice president. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Janie Meeker, to nominate **Emily Lasceski for secretary. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, to nominate **David Osentoski for treasurer. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED**

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

It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Janie Meeker, that the minutes from the regular meeting held on December 19, 2016 be approved as sent. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (Copies are in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Janie Meeker, that the bills in the amount of \$619,669.39 be paid in their entirety. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

Recognition and Presentations:

Superintendent Hartel recognized the Board with a gift and thanked them for their hard work and dedication to Cass City Public Schools. Each board member was presented with a gift from the High School student council.

Janie Meeker read a letter from TISD social worker Kathy Mroz commending Cass City Schools for their hard work, caring and dedication to the students of Cass City Public Schools. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Superintendent Hartel presented the results of the Mackinac Center Context and Performance (CAP) report card and the high school received an A grade (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

Reports and Communications:

A presentation was given to the board by Randy Schuette of Schuette Services and Chris Rittmueller of Tri-City Controls proposing to change the elementary heating/cooling controls from Honeywell to Tri-City Controls with a cost of \$30,000.00. A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, for an upgraded server project for the heating controls by Tri-City Controls, with a cost of \$30,000.00. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Emily Lasceski, to accept a 3 year contract renewal with Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran for audit services. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

The board heard the 2016/2017 Budget Amendments (general & food service) from CFO Allison Zimba. It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Janie Meeker that the amended budget be approved as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

The board had a discussion about the recent board workshop held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017. It was felt that overall it was a productive meeting and would recommend doing it when new board members are elected in.

There will be a board training on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to train the board on the new superintendent's evaluation. Everyone must be trained in order to participate in the evaluation.

New subcommittee members are:

- Strategic Plan: Janet Richards, Stacey Bliss, Alice Zaleski
- Building/Grounds: Alice Zaleski, David Osentoski
- Negotiations: Dave Osentoski, Janie Meeker, George Batty
- Finance/Budget: The board will work as a whole

Round table discussions for the Elementary school will be held on January 31, 2017 @ 3:15 p.m. with George Batty, Alice Zaleski and Janet Richards representing the board. The Jr/Sr High school discussion will be held on February 7, 2017 @ 3:15 p.m. with Emily Lasceski, Janie Meeker and Dave Osentoski representing the board. Both meetings, board members will meet with the teaching staff from 3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. the building administration will join the discussion.

Public Participation: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Regular Board meeting dates and times were established: It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Emily Lasceski, that the regular meetings for the 2017/2018 year be held the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the high school board room, unless specified, including the Red Hawk Award of Excellence presentation (scheduled for the months of October, December, February, and April). **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by David Osentoski that Beth Kittle be designated as the person for posting all of the school board meetings. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker that Superintendent Jeff Hartel and CFO Allison Zimba be designated as the persons to handle school district funds, accounts and financial transactions. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker, that Emily Lasceski be appointed as the MASB delegate to cast votes on TISD issues. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Asst. Principal Markel and Jr/Sr High Principal Daniels gave reports on some of the things that are going on in each of the buildings.

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Emily Lasceski, to approve the request for an all school play performance scheduled for Sunday, March 19, 2017. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Other: None

At 8:34 pm, it was moved by George Batty, supported by Janie Meeker that the regular meeting be adjourned and the Board go into closed session to discuss a student issue. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

At 9:23 pm a motion was made by Emily Lasceski, supported by Janie Meeker to return to open session. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

The following action was read by President Alice Zaleski, The following conditions were set for Student A:

- Student A will be required to follow guidelines established by administration.
- Student A will be required to complete weekly check ins.
- Student A will submit a monthly report from counselor.

At 9:24 pm a motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, to reinstate Student A for the remainder of the school year. A roll call vote was taken. The vote was 7 – 0. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

At 9:25 pm a motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by David Osentoski, to adjourn the open session. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Emily Lasceski, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education