

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
March 20, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on March 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City High School Board Room by President Alice Zaleski.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Emily Lasceski

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, Asst. Principal Markel and CFO Zimba.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Zaleski.

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

It was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by George Batty, that the minutes from the regular monthly board meeting and closed session meeting held on February 27, 2017 and the Special meeting held on March 8, 2017 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 \$249,474.40 be paid in their entirety. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

**Recognition and Presentations:**

The Board recognized the following **2016/17 GTW Athletic All-Conference Winners:**

Girls Basketball – 1st Team – Sayge Cuthrell  
Second Team – Kelsey Bouverette  
Honorable Mention – Lauren Fernald and Kacey Haire

Boys Basketball – 1st Team – Logan Schenk  
2nd Team – Sandyn Cuthrell  
Honorable Mention – Brad Hacker and Chase Winter

Wrestling – 1st Team – Seth Osentoski (State Qualifier), Wyatt Dickson (Regional Champ, 6th place State Medalist), TJ Moore (Regional Champ, 3rd place State Medalist)  
2nd Team – Alex Jeffrey and Tristin Swiderski  
Honorable Mention – Tylor Cowdry, Drew Markel and Hayden Larkin  
State Qualifier – Darren Dickson

Wrestling team was 30-10 and were league and district champions

Gymnastics – Regional Qualifiers – Alexis Bates (Vault, Bars, Beam and Floor)  
Alexa Torres (Vault and Beam), Megan Graham (Vault), Brittany Swiderski (Vault and Floor), Hailey Schmotzer (Vault) and Olivia Schuette (Floor)

The Board recognized the elementary participants from the Tuscola County Spelling Bee. Mr. Fernald reported that this is the best showing we have had in several years. The participants were:

Mrs. Green's Room – Danielle Curtis and Mia Myers-Caister (alternate)  
Mrs. Beckrow's Room – Emily Speirs (4th Place) and Hope Storm (alternate)  
Mrs. Gniewek's Room – Billy Steely (2nd Place) and Mason Gniewek (alternate)

Superintendent Hartel informed the board of the donations that were made to Cass City Public Schools through the Bob Stickle Memorial. Bob was a long time employee of Cass City Public Schools.

**Reports and Communications:**

CFO Allison Zimba presented to the board a preliminary budget scenario for the upcoming 2017-18 school year. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Trustee Janet Richards presented to the board the progress from the March 8<sup>th</sup> Strategic planning committee meeting. A steering committee was formed with a member from the board of education, administration, instructional staff, parent/community and support staff (A copy is in the Secretary's book). Their first meeting will be held on April 17, 2017. There will be a standing agenda item each month to keep the whole board up on what the committee is doing.

High School teacher Jane Reif received an acknowledgment from the Director of ACT Test Administration thanking her for the many years of being an administrator of an ACT test center here at Cass City. Jane has been running this since the 1990-1991 school year and approximately 6,146 students have tested at this site.

**Public Participation: None**

**Unfinished Business:**

The feedback from the Jr/Sr High roundtable meetings were discussed Janie Meeker reported that the teachers were very appreciative of the ability to have access to the schools after hours if they so choose. A couple of other issues that were brought up were some of the windows in the classrooms were in need of sealing or replacing and that some of the classrooms were in need of painting.

**New Business: None**

**Other: None**

At 7:20 p.m., it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, that the regular meeting be adjourned and the board go into closed session to discuss a student issue. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

At 7:41 p.m. a motion was made by David Osentoski, supported by Stacey Bliss to reconvene the open session. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by David Osentoski to expel **Student A** for the remainder of the school year. **Student A** will be required to present a plan at the August Board Meeting before being allowed to attend school in the fall. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

At 7:45 p.m. it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Janet Richards, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Alice Zaleski, President  
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education