

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 20, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on May 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr./Sr. High School Library by President Alice Zaleski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Zaleski, Emily Lasceski, Janet Richards, George Batty and Stacey Bliss

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Osentoski and Janie Meeker

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Asst. Principal/AD Markel, Elementary Principal Fernald, CFO Zimba and Student Representative Tayrn Pisarek.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Zaleski.

President Zaleski adopted the consent agenda as present in the board packet.

Recognition and Presentations:

Cass City students that attend the Tech Center were recognized for placing 4th in a nation-wide cyber security competition. They are Logan Severance, Shane Hoppe and Kris Nika.

The Second semester students of the Month from each building were recognized. Elementary: Elsa Ibarra 6th, Rilyn Pringle 4th, Jannah Sheikh 4th, Kacee Gray 6th. Jr/Sr High: Rebecca Morrish 12th, Layna Mathewson 12th, Landon Scott 8th, Riley Copeland 10th, Mackenzie Lawhorn 10th

Public Participation: None

Reports and Communications:

CFO Allison Zimba gave a brief update on the year end budget and a look into next year's budget. Both will be looked at in depth at next month's board meeting. The annual State Aide Resolution for borrowing funds to meet the district's summer cash flow needs were discussed. It was moved by Janet Richards, supported by Emily Lasceski, that the resolution, as presented in the board packet, in the amount of \$700,000, be approved until state funding payments resume in the fall. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

June's Board Meeting will begin with a Special Truth & Taxation Meeting held at 6:30 p.m. on June 24, 2019 prior to the regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Stacie Bliss, supported by Janet Richards to approve the 2019-2020 annual resolution supporting the Tuscola Intermediate School District's general fund budget as presented in the board packet. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

It was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Janet Richards that **Emily Lasceski** serve as Cass City's voting representative (with Alice Zaleski as the alternative) on Monday, June 03, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. for the TISD Biennial School Board Election. The votes will be cast for James R. Brow and Louise Hodges who are running unopposed for 2 seats. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

Discussed the Snow Day legislation. 4 additional days were forgiven by the Governor for the state of emergency days. June 6th is now a full day of school and June 7th will be a ½ day as the last day of school.

Superintendent Hartel presented, for information only, how the Tech center distributes their slots for programming. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Bond construction is set to begin on June 10th.

Cass City Schools has partnered with Hills and Dales Hospital to serve as an over-flow sight in the event of a Mass Medical Emergency.

Questions in regards to Superintendent, Administration, staffing etc. are due to President Zaleski by May 31, 2019 per evaluation process.

Student Representative Taryn Pisarek presented on the success of the Peer group that was started this year. Both the high school students, that took on younger buddies, and the buddies themselves gained a lot from participating.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

It was moved by Emily Lasceski, supported by Stacey Bliss, that Cass City Public Schools remain a "School of Choice" for the first semester of the 2019/2020 school year. Openings will be available in Kdg-10th grades and class sizes will remain within the contractual limits. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Teachers Adam Dorland, Christina Swiderski, Garret Gordon and Amy Tamlyn along with Social Worker Tessa Campbell and Guidance Counselor Christin Hempton presented a program called Capturing Kids Hearts. This program is a relationship building program to change the climate of the school. To engage more students in a positive culture and change the atmosphere of the classroom and the school itself. There would be a 2-day training that would be held during 2 of the Professional Development days prior to the start of school. A motion was made by Janet Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss to support the Capturing Kids Hearts program with PD in the fall before school starts. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A presentation was given by Jr/Sr High School Principal Chad Daniels on starting an Alternative Ed program for the 2019-2020 school year. We would eliminate our participation in the Tech center GED program and these students would come here instead. They would be in a classroom for 3 hours with a teacher, then for the other part of the day they could participate in electives here at the school or in tech center programs. This would require the hiring of a Math teacher. A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by Janet Richards to remove the school from the Tech Center GED/Alternative Ed program and to hire a new Math Teacher. **4 Ayes and 1 Opposed. MOTION CARRIED.** (a handout is in the Secretary's book)

A letter of retirement from Sean Zawilinski was read by Emily Lasceski. A motion was made by Emily Lasceski, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the resignation of Sean Zawilinski with regrets. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Other:

None

At 8:36 p.m., it was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by Janet Richards, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Emily Lasceski, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education