

**CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CASS CITY, MICHIGAN  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
November 23, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on November 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr/Sr High School Board Room and Via Zoom by President Alice Zaleski.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Janie Meeker

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Hartel, Elementary Principal Fernald, Jr/Sr High Principal Daniels, Athletic Director Ketterer, CFO Zimba, IT Director Severance and Student Representative Abby Phillips.

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

**Recognition and Presentations:** The following Athletic GTW All-Conference winners were recognized.

1. Athletic GTW All-Conference winners are:

**Volleyball:**

First Team – Madison Cumper

Second Team – Sierra Spry

Honorable Mention – Haven Bouverette and Kalee Gray

**Football:**

First Team Offense – Bryce Fernald – Quarterback; Jeremy Velasquez – Lineman, Ryan DeLong – Lineman, Matt Mihalic – End, Noah Zaleski – Back and Alex Perry - Back

Second Team Offense – Jacob Shantz – End, Connor Herofrd – Lineman and Jordan Mester - Back

First Team Defense – Matt Mihalic – Lineman, Ryan DeLong – Lineman, Alex Perry – Linebacker, Jeremy Velasques – Linebacker, Bryce Fernald - Back

Second Team Defense – Jacob Shantz – Lineman and Noah Zaleski – Lineman

Honorable Mention Team Defense – Connor Herford – Lineman and Jordan Mester - Back

All-Region Honors to Alex Perry – Running Back, Matt Mihalic – Defensive Line and Jeremy Velasques – Linebacker. Coach Cuthrell was named All-Region Coach of the Year.

**Cross Country: Boys and Girls**

First Team – Nick McArdle, D3 State Runner-up

Second Team – Brandon Witherspoon, D3 State Finalist and Riley Copeland

Honorable Mention – Diana Cortes and Madison Ware

**Soccer:**

Honorable Mention Team – Ryder Luana

**Swim - Girls**

Second Team – Autumn Sutton – 50 Free and 200 Medley Relay

**Public Participation: None**

**Reports and Communications:**

The Reconfirmation Plan was presented as required. We are currently all virtual. 3 options were presented to the board for a return to face-to-face. 1: Bring back K-6 on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> while 7-12 stay virtual and return on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, if permitted. 2: Bring K-12 back face-to face on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, if permitted. 3: Bring K-12 back face-to-face after Winter break on Jan 4<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Stacey Bliss, supported by David Osentoski, to go with option 2 and stay all virtual until Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> and return to K-12 face-to-face learning on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, if permitted. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

The percentages of two-way communication for both buidlings are above the state requirements. The meeting was open to public participation on the matter. There was none.

AD Justin Ketter talked about the return to finish fall sports. If allowed fall and winter sports can resume practices on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. If possible the football playoffs will reume on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> with the regional final against Ithaca at Ithaca. State Semi-finals will be Dec 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> at a neutral location with the Finals to be held at Ford Field on Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> .

The board met in closed session prior to this meeting to dicuss the Superintendent's evaluation. The evaluation will be finalized at the December board meeting.

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business**

It was moved by Janet Richards, supported by George Batty, that the first reading of the Board Policy for Employees and Working Conditions, be approved as presented. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

**Other:**

At 7:30 p.m., it was moved by Stacey Bliss, supported by David Osentoski, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Emily Lasceski, Secretary  
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education