

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
October 26, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public Schools Board of Education was called to order on October 26, 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:** Stacey Bliss, Alice Zaleski, Emily Lasceski, George Batty and Janet Richards

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Janie Meeker and David Osentoski

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, Technology Director Severance, Student Representative Abby Phillips and CFO Zimba.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Zaleski.

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

**Recognition and Presentations:**

Congratulations and thanks were given to all those who made homecoming a success. This includes Mr. Daniels, the advisors and the students themselves. Congratulations were also given to varsity football coach Scott Cuthrell for achieving his 100<sup>th</sup> win here at Cass City.

**Public Participation:** None

**Reports and Communications:**

Angie Burnette, from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran, P.C., CPA has reviewed the 2019/2020 fiscal audit report. The results of her report stated that Cass City Public Schools ended the 2019/20 school year conforming to acceptable general accounting practices. It was moved by Emily Lasceski, supported by Stacey Bliss to accept the audit report as presented. **All Ayes.**

The monthly COVID-19 reconfirmation meeting was held as required. It was moved by Emily Lasceski, supported by George Batty to accept the reconfirmation plan as presented in the board packet. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Benchmark testing data was presented to the board from the beginning of this school year. As expected numbers were lower due to being out of school for so long. Will test again in the winter and hope to see the numbers go back up. (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Amanda Hartzell, Daycare Director, provided information regarding the daycare's staffing, number of children enrolled, safety precautions implemented for COVID, 3 yr. old preschool numbers and screening tools to screen children on their social, emotional, cognitive, fine motor and gross motor growth that will be used every 6 months and the lead teachers will hold a bi-yearly parent/teacher conference.

Superintendent Hartel has completed his self-evaluation. A formal evaluation has been set for November 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. during the regular board meeting.

Superintendent Hartel informed the board that we will be staying with the 6 snow days that we have always had and will determine whether to go virtual or make up any over the 6 days should they arise.

MASB conference is being held November 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and will be held virtually and is free for any MASB member schools. President Zaleski encouraged any board members that were able to attend to do so.

**Unfinished Business:**

A motion was made by Emily Lasceski, supported by George Batty to approve the second reading of the Title IX plan. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Janet Richards, supported by Stacey Bliss to approve the second reading of the NEOLA Fall Updates. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Emily Lasceski, supported by Stacey Bliss for Cass City Schools to remain a school of choice for the second semester. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Other: None**

At 7:53 p.m., it was moved by Emily Lasceski, supported by Stacey Bliss, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

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Emily Lasceski, Secretary  
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education