

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

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 27, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on September 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City Jr/Sr High School Board Room by President Emily Lasceski.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alice Zaleski, Emily Lasceski, George Batty, Stacey Bliss, Scott Richards and Janie Meeker

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Osentoski

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Zimba, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Hartzell, Elementary Principal Fernald, IT Director Severance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lasceski.

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

Recognition and Presentations:

The Biddinger Foundation is making a donation to Cass City Schools to put toward mental health and creative arts opportunities. There is a group looking into how to utilize these funds. A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker to accept this donation from the Biddinger Foundation. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Public Participation: None

Reports and Communications:

There was a board retreat held on September 17th where they discussed the board goals for the district. These also relate to the strategic plan that is due to expire this year. The board has decided to extend last years goals into this year, with some additions, due to the COVID pandemic. A copy is in the Secretary's book as well as on the school website.

A discussion was held in regards to the Wind Turbine Tax Appeals and our exposure to this. The estimated cost to our district is \$26,384.00. There are talks still going on in regards to this matter. (A copy of the letter is in the Secretary's book)

There is some 31p money that will be coming in. One of the ways we are looking to spend this money is with a TRAILS (Transforming Research into Action to Improve the Lives of Students) This is a program to help schools and communities foster mental health awareness for all student and identify those students that need addition support.

Addition 31n money will be used to provide Cass City Schools with an additional social worker.

A schedule for the Superintendent's evaluation will be postponed until May/June due to the fact of Superintendent Zimba only being on the job since August.

The Board annual board dinner will be held on November 11, 2021 at the tech center. Any interest board memebers should contact Mrs. Zimba.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Janie Meeker, supported by Alice Zaleski, to approve the second reading of the Thrun July board policy updates. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

Secretary Janie Meeker read a letter of resignation from Jr/Sr High School Secretary Stephanie Langenburg. A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker to accept the letter of resignation, with regrets. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book)

A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Janie Meeker to approve the position change of Abigail Vance from virtual paraprofessional to half time GSRP teacher and half time virtual teacher. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by Stacey Bliss, to approve the position change of Beth Kittle from Superintendent Secretary to Business Manager. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Alice Zaleski, supported by George Batty to approve the position change of Deidra Zdrojewski from Elementary Secretary to Superintendent's Secretary. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Other: None

At 7:21 p.m., it was moved by Janie Meeker, supported by Stacey Bliss, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Jane Meeker, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education