

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WAS HELD DECEMBER 13, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M., LOCAL TIME, IN THE DISTRICT AT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER, 401 SAUK RIVER DRIVE, COLDWATER, MICHIGAN.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Steel, Kristin Lyon-Welch, Kate Frederick, Ronald Lanford, Jeff Holbrook, Clair Dean, Edward C. Lake, Jr. **ATTENDANCE**

BOARD MEETING ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Ann Whelan, Superintendent; Evelyn Grimes, Rachelle Roby, Jason Hayes, Julie Slusher, Krista Searls, Tobi Reardon, Gary Dancer, Adam Supianoski, Brian Stevens, Bill Milnes, Bryan Shirk, Bill DeBeau, and others. **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Member Lake brought the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. **CALL TO ORDER**

Pledge to the flag was conducted. Roll call for attendance of the board was taken as recorded above. **PLEDGE TO FLAG AND ATTENDANCE**

President Lake made the request for public participation forms. [2] forms were submitted. **VISITORS, DELEGATIONS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- President Lake called for Community Member, Jason Hayes. Jason addressed the board with various concerns about future bond participation and MStep scores.
- President Lake called for Teacher, Brian Stevens. Brian addressed the board with an update from BCADV. CHS students will require a Shelter House card after winter break. He also gave an update from the National Honor Society. The Turkey Trot Fundraiser raised \$4000 for the Shelter House.

President Lake called for Building/Program Highlights. **BUILDING/PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Elementary School Principals/Teachers: Gary Dancer, Tobi Reardon, and Michelle Fondren addressed the board with an update on Guided Reading.

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 29, 2021 were given consideration for acceptance and approval. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 11/29/2021**

MOTION was made by Member Lanford, supported by Member Dean, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 29, 2021, as submitted. Resolution approved unanimously.

President Lake called for agenda additions or deletions. No additions or deletions were recommended. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS**

President Lake called for communications. No further communications were reported. Superintendent Whelan presented the personnel report in its entirety. Member Lanford presented the gifts report in its entirety. Superintendent Whelan offered the November Accounts for Payment Reports for approval. **COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Frederick that the Board of Education resolves to approve the following recommendations:

*the administrative recommendation to employ McKenna Arble for the Young 5's Teacher position at Max Larsen Elementary, effective immediately upon board approval;

M. ARBLE

the resignation of Sarah Strong from the full-time Guidance Office Secretary position at Coldwater High School, effective December 17, 2021;

S. STRONG

the administrative recommendation to employ Keri Gordon and Hayla Ahmed for the full-time Caregiver positions at Kids Club, effective immediately upon board approval;

K. GORDON
H. AHMED

the administrative recommendation to employ Holli Ward for the full-time Guidance Office Secretary position at Coldwater High School, effective as soon as possible, pending replacement at Legg Middle School;

H. WARD

Approve the administrative recommendation for the following extra duty positions as outlined below:

Name	Position	
Ashley Metcalfe-Macklin	ELA Y5s - 1st Grade	A. METCALFE-MACKLIN
Michelle Fondren	ELA 2nd - 3rd Grade	M. FONDREN
Jayne Harris	ELA 4th - 5th Grade	J. HARRIS
Katie Fleming	ELA 6th - 8th Grade	K. FLEMING
Cathy Lewis	ELA 9th - 12th Grade	C. LEWIS
Julia Stetler	Math Y5s - 1st Grade	J. STETLER
Lindsey Dixon	Math 2nd - 3rd Grade	L. DIXON
Alayna Brombach	Math 4th - 5th Grade	A. BROMBACH
Jill Senyk	Math 6th - 8th Grade	J. SENYK
Susan Mueller	Science 2nd - 3rd Grade	S. MUELLER
Cody Fishell & Kim Nichols (co-chairs)	Science 9th - 12th Grade	C. FISHELL K. NICHOLS
Sarah Weekly	Social Studies Y5s - 1st Grade	S. WEEKLY
Nick Bachler	Social Studies 2nd - 3rd Grade	N. BACHLER
Laura Frantz	Elementary EL Y5s - 5th Grade	L. FRANTZ
Becky Heaton	Secondary EL 6th - 12th Grade	B. HEATON
Pam VanZuilen	Enrichment Y5s - 5th Grade	P. VANZUILEN
Katie Jewel	Enrichment 6th - 12th Grade	K. JEWEL
Brian Stevens	Advanced Coursework 6th - 12th Grade	B. STEVENS

And further,

that the Board of Education gratefully accepts the gifts donated to Coldwater Schools as shown in the outline and recorded below:

ACCEPTANCE AND
APPROVAL OF GIFTS
- APPROVED

DONOR	DESCRIPTION	RECIPIENT	VALUE
Good Better Best Shop	Monetary Funds	Coldwater High School Library	\$1500.00

and,

that a letter of appreciation, on behalf of the board, be sent to the donors as recorded above for their worthwhile and generous gifts;

and finally,

that the Board of Education approves the following November accounts for payment as submitted:

November General Fund accounts in the amount of \$2,298,144.75;

November Special Revenue accounts in the amount of \$240,332.35;

and approves the Financial Statements as presented.

Resolution approved unanimously.

President Lake acknowledged the November Building Reports. No further discussion took place.

**BUILDING REPORTS
BOARD COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Superintendent Whelan reported on the upcoming action items further in the agenda. She also reported that the district will be participating in the MI Backpack Home Tests program through the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to provide participating families COVID tests for at home testing. Further, Superintendent Whelan discussed upcoming pre-bid meeting at Legg Middle School to bid on the HVAC projects at Jefferson, Legg and Max Larsen and upcoming Community Meeting to talk with the community about the November bond vote and future.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Discussion ensued.

President Lake presented the resolution to participate in the 2021-2022 MSBO Bus Purchase Program.

**ACTION ITEMS:
RESOLUTION TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE
2021-2022 MSBO BUS
PURCHASE
PROGRAM -
APPROVED**

MOTION made and supported by Members Dean and Frederick that the Board of Education accepts the resolution to participate in the 2021-2022 MSBO Bus Purchase Program.

Roll call vote taken.

Yeas: Members Holbrook, Steel, Dean, Lanford, Lyon-Welch, Frederick, Lake

Nays: None

Resolution unanimously approved.

President Lake presented the recommendation to purchase 10 new school busses.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO PURCHASE 10
NEW SCHOOL
BUSSES - APPROVED**

MOTION made and supported by Members Dean and Holbrook that the Board of Education approves the purchase of three (3) 2022, 65 passenger Special Education busses at a cost of \$102,633.00 each from Midwest Transit with funding to come from the General Fund and seven (7) 2022, 77 passenger General Education busses at a cost of \$98,971.00 each from Midwest Transit with funding to come from ESSER II funds.

Yeas: Members Lyon-Welch, Frederick, Lanford, Holbrook, Steel, Dean, Lake

Nays: None

Resolution unanimously approved.

President Lake presented the recommendation to purchase computers, document cameras and projectors for school buildings in the district.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO PURCHASE
ADDITIONAL
COMPUTERS,
DOCUMENT
CAMERAS AND
PROJECTORS -
APPROVED**

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education approves the purchase of 406 Dell #7090 Desktop Computers and 133 Document Cameras from Presidio Holding, Inc., and 135 Projectors for a grand total of \$503,361 with funds to come from ESSER III.

Yeas: Members Steel, Lyon-Welch, Frederick, Lanford, Holbrook, Dean, Lake

Nays: None

Resolution unanimously approved.

President Lake presented the recommendation to set the 2022-2023 First Day of School and Holiday Breaks.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO SET 2022-2023
FIRST DAY OF
SCHOOL AND
HOLIDAY BREAKS -
APPROVED**

MOTION made and supported by Members Frederick and Dean that the Board of Education approves the start date of August 22nd for the 2022-2023 school-year calendar along with the Winter Holiday break from December 19th through January 2nd and a Spring Break of March 27th through March 31st.

Yeas: Members Frederick, Lanford, Dean, Holbrook, Lyon-Welch, Steel, Lake

Nays: None

Resolution unanimously approved.

President Lake made the following announcement:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. A Special Meeting of the Coldwater Board of Education will take place on Monday, January 3, 2022 at six o'clock in the evening at the Administrative Service Center.
2. The next Organizational Meeting of the Coldwater Board of Education will take place on January 17, 2022 at six o'clock in the evening at the Administrative Service Center.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Clair Dean, Secretary, Board of Education
(Audi Nickerson, Executive Secretary)