

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WAS HELD MARCH 28, 2022 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; Julie Slusher, Adam Supianoski, Krista Searls, Rachelle Roby, Kim Nichols, Bill Milnes, Todd Farmer, Penny Brockway, Audi Nickerson, and others. **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

President 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. No forms were submitted. **VISITORS, DELEGATIONS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 28, 2022 were given consideration for acceptance and approval. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 2/28/22**
MOTION was made by Member Lanford, supported by Member Dean, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 28, 2022, 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. **COMMUNICATIONS AND CONSENT AGENDA**

Superintendent Whelan presented the personnel report in its entirety. Member Steel presented the gifts report in its entirety. Member Lanford offered the February Accounts for Payment Reports for approval. MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education resolves to approve the following recommendations:
*with regret, the resignation of Kim Nichols, Physics/Anatomy Teacher at Coldwater High School, effective April 30, 2022; **K. NICHOLS**

with regret, after 6 years of service, the retirement resignation of Robert Iwanicki, 6th Grade Science Teacher at Legg Middle School, effective June 30, 2022; **R. IWANICKI**

with regret, after 20 years of service, the retirement resignation of Jackie Schwind, English Teacher at Coldwater High School, effective June 30, 2022; **J. SCHWIND**

with regret, the resignation of Lois Myers from the bus monitor position for Coldwater Schools, effective February 25, 2022; **L. MYERS**

with regret, the resignation of Sierra Wolfcale from the caregiver position at Kids Club Childcare Center, effective February 28, 2022; **S. WOLFCALE**

with regret, the resignation of Pat Gooldy, Supervisor at Jefferson Elementary, effective March 2,

2022;	P. GOOLDY
with regret, the resignation of Isabella Hartwell from the part-time caregiver position at Kids Club Childcare Center, effective March 25, 2022;	S. HARTWELL
the administrative recommendation to employ Jessica Pike for the full-time bus driver position for Coldwater Schools, effective March 7, 2022;	J. PIKE
the administrative recommendation to employ Cherri Erickson for the bus monitor position for Coldwater Schools, effective March 28, 2022;	C. ERICKSON
the administrative recommendation to employ Shaima Aboali for the full-time caregiver position at Kids Club Childcare Center, effective March 28, 2022;	S. ABOALI
the administrative recommendation to employ Samantha Sauber for the Supervisor position at Jefferson Elementary, effective immediately upon board approval;	S. SAUBER
the administrative recommendation to employ Joey Wright for the JV Baseball Coach position, effective immediately upon board approval;	J. WRIGHT
and	

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

DONOR	DESCRIPTION	RECIPIENT	VALUE	
Branch County Community Foundation	Monetary Funds	Interact Club ABC Challenge	\$500.00	
Good Better Best Shop	Monetary Funds	McKenna Arble's Classroom at Max Larsen Elementary	\$500.00	
Good Better Best Shop	Monetary Funds	Janet Breza's Classroom at Max Larsen Elementary	\$100.00	
Good Better Best Shop	Monetary Funds	Emily Benjamin's Classroom at Jefferson Elementary	\$500.00	
Good Better Best Shop	Monetary Funds	Rachael Hoard's Classroom at Jefferson Elementary	\$500.00	
Schweitzer Engineering Laboratory	Monetary Funds	Jon Larson, Teacher at Jefferson Elementary (STEM Donation)	\$100.00	
Adventure Zone	(9) Gift Certificates	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
Aquatic Center	(100) Aquatic Center passes, (5) punch cards	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
Biggby Coffee	(10) Free Drink Coupons	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
Bill's Grill House	\$25 Gift Card	Family Fun Fair Raffle	\$25.00	
Craft Out Loud	(3) Paint By Numbers Art Sets	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF GIFTS - APPROVED
Culver's	(2) Free Concrete Mixer Coupons, (2) Free Value Basket Coupons	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
Dairy Queen	(5) \$10 Gift Cards	Family Fun Fair Raffle	\$50.00	
Honor Credit Union	Several Gift Baskets	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
NCG Cinemas	(2) Movie Passes	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	
Owen-Ames- Kimball Co.	(4) Gift Baskets	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A	

Tasty Twist	Coupons for Free Sundaes	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
Terry Ann Whelan	MSU/UofM Rug	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
The Patio	(10) free small bowl cards	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
Tibbits Opera House	(2) Vouchers to attend a show	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
Tilted Tulip Florist	\$25 Gift Certificate	Family Fun Fair Raffle	\$25.00
Tower Pinkster	(4) \$50 gift cards and (4) \$25 gift cards	Family Fun Fair Raffle	\$300
Two Bandits Brewery	Gift Card	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
Wood Class at CHS	(3) handmade wooden tables	Family Fun Fair Raffle	N/A
Chartwells Food Service	Monetary Funds	Family Fun Fair	\$500
Coca-Cola	(68) 2-Liters	Family Fun Fair	N/A
Conagra	(500) all beef frank hotdogs	Family Fun Fair	N/A

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 February accounts for payment as submitted:

February General Fund accounts in the amount of \$1,766,235.31;

February Special Revenue accounts in the amount of \$192,486.80;

and approves the Financial Statements as presented.

Resolution approved unanimously.

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

**BUILDING REPORTS
BOARD COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Superintendent Whelan provided the board with an overview of the action items later on the agenda. Whelan also gave an update on the Summer Projects, including the Jefferson, Larsen and LMS projects, which all have an extended timeline due to supply chain delays and issues.

Discussion ensued.

President Lake presented the request to approve the Jefferson School Field Trip.

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education approves the request for a field trip to Archbold, Ohio, as presented.

Resolution approved unanimously.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

**ACTION ITEMS:
RECOMMENDATION
TO APPROVE
JEFFERSON SCHOOL
FIELD TRIP –
APPROVED**

President Lake presented the request to approve 2022-2023 Legg Middle School Elective Course Changes. Motion made and supported by Members Frederick and Lanford that the Board of Education approves the adoption of the 2022-2023 Legg Middle School Elective Course Changes.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Resolution approved unanimously.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO APPROVE 2022-
2023 LMS
CURRICULUM
CHANGES
- APPROVED**

President Lake presented the first reading of the new and revised policies.

MOTION made and supported by Members Dean and Frederick that the Board of Education acknowledges the recommendation of the first reading of the new and revised board policies, as

**FIRST READING OF
NEW AND REVISED
POLICIES
- APPROVED**

submitted.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Resolution approved unanimously

President Lake presented the recommendation to purchase 2022-2023 student athletic accident insurance.

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education approves the renewal of the Student Athletic Accident Insurance Policy with the 1st Agency of Kalamazoo, Michigan, for the 2022-2023 school year in the amount of \$30,721.00,

And further,

that the Board of Education approves the purchase of both Catastrophic and Heart/Circulatory Insurance Policies with the 1st Agency of Kalamazoo, Michigan, for the 2022-2023 school year at a cost of \$2.83 per student athlete.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Resolution passed unanimously.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO PURCHASE 2022-
2023 STUDENT
ATHLETIC INSURANCE
- APPROVED**

President Lake presented the recommendation to purchase curriculum for Legg Middle School.

MOTION made and supported by Members Frederick and Dean that the Board of Education approves the purchase of Exact Path and Study Island from Edmentum, to be used at Legg Middle School for a total of \$113,205.11, which includes 3 years of professional development for teachers and staff, as presented.

Discussion ensued.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Resolution passed unanimously.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO PURCHASE
CURRICULUM FOR
LMS
- APPROVED**

President Lake made the following announcement:

1. The next Regular Meeting of the Coldwater Board of Education will be held on Monday, April 25, 2022, at six o'clock in the evening at the Administrative Service Center located at 401 Sauk River Drive in Coldwater.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Lake requested an Executive Session to be held, pursuant to PA267, Section 8(a), for the purpose of considering a periodic personnel evaluation of an employee.

MOTION made and supported respectively by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education enters into Executive Session pursuant to PA267, Section 8(a), for the purpose of considering a periodic personnel evaluation of an employee.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Motion unanimously passed.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION CALLED –
ROLL CALL VOTE**

Open session of the regular meeting recessed, and the Board of Education entered into Executive Session at 6:34pm.

**OPEN MEETING
RECESSED**

Open session of the regular meeting reconvened at 6:50pm.

**OPEN MEETING
RECONVENED**

President Lake presented the recommendation to accept and approve Superintendent Evaluation and one-year extension and terms of the Superintendent and CFO employment contracts.

**RECOMMENDATION
TO ACCEPT AND
APPROVE
SUPERINTENDENT
EVALUATION AND
ONE YEAR
EXTENSION AND
TERMS OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT
AND CFO
EMPLOYMENT
CONTRACTS -
APPROVED**

MOTION made and supported by Lanford and Dean that Superintendent Whelan’s evaluation be accepted and that the board approves a one year extension of her current Superintendent contract to run through June 30, 2025 and approves the negotiated terms of the contract or the 2022-2023 school year; and further that the Board of Education approves the additional one year employment contract fir Terry Ann Whelan to serve as Chief Financial Officer for the 2022-2023 school year, beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, as submitted.

Roll call vote taken.

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

Nays: None

Resolution approved unanimously.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.

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