

THE JANUARY REGULAR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WAS HELD JANUARY 23, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M., LOCAL TIME IN THE DISTRICT AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER, 401 SAUK RIVER DRIVE, COLDWATER, MICHIGAN.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kate Frederick, Ronald Lanford, Jeff Holbrook, Clair Dean, Edward Lake, Jr. **ATTENDANCE**

BOARD MEETING ABSENT: Bob Steel, Kristin Lyon-Welch

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Ann Whelan, Superintendent; Heather Harvey , Executive Secretary; Rachelle Roby, Penny Brockway, Bill Milnes, Krista Searls, Julie Slusher, Jacob Kumor, Gary Dancer, Tobi Reardon, Julie & Todd Farmer, Bill DeBeau, and Penny and CeCe Dewitt

Member Lake brought the Regular Organizational Meeting to order at 6:01 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**

MOTION was made and supported respectively by Members Lanford and Holbrook to appoint Member Lake as Temporary Chairperson of the Board. Motion passed unanimously. **LAKE APPOINTED TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON**

Temporary Chairperson Lake appointed Member Dean as Temporary Secretary of the Board. **DEAN APPOINTED TEMPORARY SECRETARY**

The request for public participation forms was made by Temporary Chairperson Lake. No public participation forms were submitted. **REQUEST FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORMS**

Temporary Chairperson Lake called for additions and deletions to the agenda. Agenda accepted as submitted. **AGENDA ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED**

Member Lanford nominated Member Lake to the position of President of the Board. Member Frederick moved to close further nominations. Member Holbrook supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously. President Lake immediately assumed the responsibilities of President of the Board of Education. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS – LAKE ELECTED PRESIDENT**

Member Lanford nominated Member Dean to the position of Secretary of the Board and moved to close nominations. Member Frederick supported the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Member Dean declared Secretary of the Board. **DEAN ELECTED SECRETARY**

Member Frederick nominated Member Lanford to the position of Treasurer of the Board and moved to close further nominations.
 Member Dean supported the motion.
 Motion passed unanimously.
 Member Lanford elected Treasurer of the Board.

**LANFORD ELECTED
 TREASURER**

Member Lanford nominated Member Holbrook to the position of Vice-President of the Board and moved to close further nominations
 Member Dean supported the motion.
 Motion passed unanimously.
 Member Holbrook elected Vice-President of the Board.

**HOLBROOK
 ELECTED
 VICE-PRESIDENT**

It has been a past practice to appoint the Vice-President of the Board Of Education as the MASB liaison person.
 President Lake nominated Vice-President of the Board of Education, Jeff Holbrook, to serve as the MASB liaison person for the 2023 calendar year.
 Member Lanford moved to close nominations.
 Member Dean supported the motion.
 Motion passed unanimously.

**MASB LIAISON
 PERSON
 APPOINTED**

Members of the board gave consideration to compensation for the 2023 calendar year.
 MOTION made and supported respectively by Members Lanford and Frederick that the Board of Education authorizes \$45 per meeting compensatory rate to all board members; inclusive of regular, special and committee meetings, with a limit of thirty-six (36) total meetings not to exceed a total annual payment of \$1,620 for the 2023 calendar year.
 Resolution approved unanimously.

**2023 BOARD
 COMPENSATION**

At this time, a discussion ensued by the board regarding the Coldwater Community Schools' Board Advisory Committees.
 President Lake recommended that the board advisory committees remain unchanged for the 2023 calendar year.
 MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Frederick that the Board of Education's Advisory Committees remain the same for the 2023 calendar year.
 Motion passed unanimously

**2023 ADVISORY
 COMMITTEES**

Superintendent Whelan read Governor Whitmer's proclamation recognizing the month of January as Local School Board Recognition Month. Whelan expressed her appreciation for the board's dedication to the school district and presented each board member with a certificate of appreciation and a gift card. Whelan further presented the board with Thank You cards from the Student Council and WEB Program Leaders at Legg Middle School.

**BOARD MEMBER
 RECOGNITION**

Superintendent Whelan presented the Nice Job Notices report in its entirety.

NICE JOB NOTICES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 12, 2022 were given consideration for acceptance and approval.
 MOTION was made by Member Lanford, supported by Member Dean, that the Board of Education approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 12, 2022, as submitted.
 Resolution approved unanimously.

**MINUTES APPROVED
 AS SUBMITTED**

President Lake called for communications. No communications were reported.
 Superintendent Whelan presented the personnel report in its entirety.
 Member Lanford presented the recommendation to approve and accept gifts.
 Board Treasurer Lanford offered the December Accounts for Payment Report and Financial Statements for approval.
 MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Frederick that the Board of Education approves the following recommendations:
 the administrative recommendation to employ Kayleah Anderson for the third-grade teaching position at Jefferson Elementary, effective January 9, 2023;
 the administrative recommendation to transition Rachel Hoard from the second-grade teaching assignment at Jefferson Elementary to the STEM teaching position for Jefferson and Lakeland Elementaries, per the CEA language, effective January 17, 2023;
 the administrative recommendation to employ Haley Martinez for the second-grade teaching position at Jefferson Elementary, effective January 10, 2023;
 the resignation of Cassandra Fisher from the part-time Behavior Support position at Max Larsen Elementary, effective the end of the day on January 13, 2023;
 the resignation of Lisa Denbrock from her full-time bus driver position, effective January 4, 2023;
 the resignation of Josee Inman from the part-time caregiver position at Kids Club Childcare, effective December 13, 2022;
 the resignation of Olivia Geishert from the part-time lunchroom supervisor position at Legg Middle School, effective December 14, 2022;
 the administrative recommendation to employ Porter Skidmore for the part-time supervisor position at Jefferson Elementary, effective immediately upon board approval;
 the resignation of Samantha Pool from the extra duty coaching position for Legg Middle School Volleyball, effective immediately upon board approval;
 the administrative recommendations for the following extra duty position as outlined below:

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

DECEMBER ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

K. ANDERSON
R. HOARD

H. MARTINEZ

C. FISHER

L. DENBROCK

J. INMAN

O. GEISHERT

P. SKIDMORE

S. POOL

J. LENHARDT

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Jake Lenhardt	Legg Middle School Wrestling Assistant Coach

and further,

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

<u>DONOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	GIFTS
Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Stephanie Augenbaugh Legg Middle School	\$300.00	
Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Annie Wulliman Coldwater High School	\$500.00	
Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Gracen Yates Kids Club	\$825.00	
Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Alison Walinski, Lakeland Elementary	\$300.00	
Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Brenda Fowler Lakeland Elementary	\$225.00	

Eby-Klein Youth & Family Center	Good, Better, Best Grant	Laura Frantz Lakeland Elementary	\$400.00
CISD Mini-Grant	Monetary Fund Donation	Sara Davis Coldwater High School	\$935.28
CISD Mini-Grant	Monetary Fund Donation	Christine Hamblen	\$4,999.87
Coldwater Cardinal Booster	Monetary Fund Donation	CCS Football and Wrestling Programs	\$4,347.20
Shana Grife TTEE	Monetary Fund Donation	Lakeland Readers are Leaders	\$2,000.00
Coldwater Township Sunrise Rotary	Monetary Fund Donation	Coldwater High School Balladiers	\$150.00

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 December accounts for payment as submitted:
December General Fund accounts in the amount of \$2,018,461.38;
December Special Revenue accounts in the amount of \$432,839.50;
and approves the Financial Statements as presented.
Resolution approved unanimously.

DECEMBER ACCTS FOR PAYMENT

President Lake called for Board Committee Reports. There were no current reports provided.
President Lake called for the Superintendent's report.
Superintendent Whelan provided the board with an update on the recently approved grant application to the state of Michigan for an additional School Resource Officer. Whelan shared that the district was approved for funding for a second school resource officer, who will be hired for placement at the Legg Middle School.
Whelan further reported that the land discrepancy relative to the Fremont School property between the district and three other residential property owners, has been settled, and the closing on the sale of the property is expected to take place on March 10th.
Superintendent Whelan provided the board with an update regarding the Juul Lawsuit and stated that an agreement to settle the suit will be presented to the board in mid-February.
She further explained that a new furnace was recently installed at the Administrative Service Center. Whelan shared that earlier on Monday, one of the boilers at Coldwater High School blew a leak and is currently being repaired.
Superintendent Whelan provided the board with an update on the summer projects to take place at Jefferson School and shared that some of the work on those projects will begin during spring break to get a head start.
Whelan concluded her report by sharing that the district is now considered an ALICE Certified Organization.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/ SUPERINTENDENT/ CFO REPORT/JANUARY BUILDING REPORTS

Discussion ensued.
President Lake acknowledged the January Building Reports with no further discussion to follow.

President Lake presented the review and acceptance of the 2022-2023 District Annual Education Reports.

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF 2022-2023 DISTRICT

MOTION made and supported by Members Frederick and Dean that the Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Annual Education Reports, as posted on the District's website.

Discussion ensued.

Resolution passed unanimously.

**ANNUAL EDUCATION
REPORTS –
APPROVED**

President Lake presented the request to approve the 2023-2024 Coldwater High School Curriculum Proposals.

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education approves the proposal of the 2023-2024 Coldwater High School curriculum addition of the Street Law course, as well as the transition of the existing Precalculus course to the AP Precalculus, as submitted.

Discussion ensued.

Resolution passed unanimously.

**REQUEST TO
APPROVE 2023-2024
COLDWATER HIGH
SCHOOL
CURRICULUM
PROPOSALS –
APPROVED**

President Lake presented the request for board consideration for tentative approval of Class of 2023 senior trip.

MOTION made and supported by Members Lanford and Dean that the Board of Education tentatively approves the one-day 2023 Senior Trip to Chicago on Friday, May 12, 2023, as presented.

Discussion ensued.

Resolution passed unanimously.

**REQUEST FOR
BOARD
CONSIDERATION
FOR TENTATIVE
APPROVAL OF
CLASS OF 2023
SENIOR TRIP –
APPROVED**

President Lake made the following announcements:

1. A Special Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, February 20, 2023, at five o'clock in the evening at the Administrative Service Center.
2. The next scheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, February 27, 2023, at six o'clock in the evening at the Administrative Service Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular Organizational Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Clair Dean, Secretary Board of Education

Heather M. Harvey, Executive Secretary