

**Hesperia Community Schools  
Board of Education  
May 1, 2023  
Work Session**

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Board President Al Daniels called the Work Session Meeting to order at 7:00 PM  
All present took the pledge.  
Members who are present: Kraus, Maynard, Rumsey, Good, Allen, and Daniels  
Members absent: Newman

Presentation

Superintendent Bryan Mey presented the following books for dedication: “A Perfect Day for Golf,” presented in remembrance of Tom Shlaffer; “How a Log Cabin is Built,” presented in memory of Mike Arbogast.

Correspondence

Allen presented a letter from the NCRESA informing the board of the upcoming election.

Public Comment

During public comment, Stacey Hasted, HEA representative, presented a letter to the board on behalf of the HEA members in support of Mary Shaffer, the district’s Payroll Clerk.

Facilities, Ground, and Technology

Superintendent Bryan Mey took the Board to the High School commons area to see the new seating purchased for the district as part of the 2023 Nutrition Services spend-down plan. The group also visited the Middle School vestibule to see Ben Westgate, Special Education teacher, and his “320 Crew’s” latest project. They are customizing a golf cart donated to the school district by Principal Chad Paine’s family. Westgate’s group is financing its project through fundraising and donations.

Finance

Superintendent Bryan Mey presented information on the upcoming NCRESA budget. The board’s packet explained the budget in detail for them to review independently. The budget adoption will be an action item at the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular board meeting.

Personnel and Policy

The Newaygo County School of Choice collaborative agreement was presented to the board and will be an action item at the May 15<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting.

Letters of recommendation were presented for hiring Roxana Vanheitsma as the Middle School assistant track coach; and for Jeanna McFalda as a Middle School LRE aide at 5.75 hours.

The adoption of the NCRESA board member election resolution will be an action item at the regular board meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Curriculum

High School principal Chad Paine presented information about the Salmon in the Classroom release party this Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at the river downtown.

Elementary Principal Denise Short informed the board that during the day of professional development, the staff would be introduced to three different curriculums for staff.  
Also, looking to determine what the budget for the curriculum will be going forward.

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Bryan Mey, the Superintendent, updated the board on the April 24<sup>th</sup> School Safety Professional Development. The staff found the information helpful.  
Next fall, there will be a follow-up professional development on school safety information, and new staff will receive a complete orientation on the topic.

Informational Items

The 2023 True North ARTS contest and the exhibit are wrapping up this week. All are encouraged to come and view the exhibition. Hesperia had a scholarship winner this year.

Board Discussion

None

Adjournment

Motion by Rumsey supported by Allen to adjourn the meeting. Discussion: None. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0.  
Motion Passed 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

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Michelle Allen, Secretary\*\*\*

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Al Daniels, Board President\*\*\*

\*\*\*Signature on file in the Administrative Office