

**Hesperia Community Schools
Board of Education
May 15, 2023
Special Meeting/Regular Meeting**

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Board President Al Daniels called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:45 pm in High School Media Center.

All present took the pledge.

Members who are present: Kraus, Maynard, Rumsey, Good, Daniels

Members absent: Allen, Newman

Additional Agenda Items

There were no additional agenda items.

Food Service Report

Dana Gierzak, Food Service manager presented an update on the District's Food service program.

Presentation

Mr. Bryan Mey, Superintendent presented a PowerPoint presentation for the May 2023 Budget Amendment to the General Fund. The following is a summary of the information:

Revenue increased due to Federal and State funding; most of the additional funding was directly related to ESSER III.

Total Revenue is \$12,763,879 and Total expenditures are estimated to be \$13,365,684.

The Fund Balance is projected at: 9.17%

The proposed deficit was predicted at \$133,559. The current predicted deficit is \$601,805

The budget estimating conference for the State of Michigan went well; they believe the state will make its projected budget.

The budget is being monitored closely. Major hurdles include: continuing rise of health and retirement costs, the decrease in student enrollment, making sure to meet the board-approved fund balance of 10%

Mr. Al Daniels thanked everyone who worked on the amendment for their hard work. The question was asked how Covid-19 funds affected the budget. The answer, the funds closely matched the expenditures.

Approval of Bills

Motion by Maynard, supported by Good to approve consent agenda. Discussion: None. Ayes 5. Nays 0.

Motion passes 5-0.

Elementary Principal's Report

Denise Short, Elementary Principal, on professional development in writing. The need for a specialized aide to assist a visually impaired student coming this fall, NWEA testing, teacher recognition week, recent field trips, and wished the retirees and resignations from her building farewell and good luck as they begin their new adventures this summer.

Middle School/ High School Principal's Report

Chad Paine, MS/HS Principal, informed the board about AP testing in the high school, MStep testing in both buildings, filling the vacant art teacher position in the high school, and all of the upcoming events surrounding graduation and the end of the school year.

Student Report

None.

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Athletic Director Report

Jason Stariha, Athletic Director, reported that we have two nominees for the Muskegon Area Sports Hall of Fame, Ali Townsend, and Alex Saylor. MIAAA has also nominated Ali Townsend for their scholarship. District Softball Tournaments are scheduled for Friday, June 2nd in Hesperia, and we will host districts for Volleyball in the fall.

The boys' varsity basketball coach position is open.

The district will host free athletic physicals on June 6th from 5-7

The maintenance crew has done some work on the track. We plan to host events next year on the track and possibly a small school invitational.

Superintendent's Report

Bryan Mey, the Superintendent, discussed some of the potential legislation to come with the anticipated 2023-2024 state budget, including additional special education funding and less categorical money, and a higher foundation to allow more autonomy in the spending at the district level.

Correspondence

None.

Public Comment

There was an open floor discussion in which many teachers voiced concerns about the current budget, what it means for their salaries going forward, questions on how the board will handle their concerns moving forward, and concerns about administrative staffing and the potential for turnover in Central Office.

Public Comment on Action Items

There was no public comment.

Informational Items

Jason Stariha and Roxanne Kammer presented a proposal for a 23-24 girls' golf team.

Action Items

Motion by Rumsey, supported by Good, to approve the budget amendment as presented. Discussion: None. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Rumsey, supported by Good, to approve the NCRESA board member election resolution. Discussion: Representing our district for voting will be Kraus, and Maynard as the alternate. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Good, supported by Rumsey, to, to approve the NCRESA General Fund Budget for 2023-2024. Discussion: None. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Maynard, supported by Good, to accept the Newaygo County School of Choice Collaborative agreement. Discussion: None. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Rumsey supported by Maynard to approve to hiring Mrs. Jeanne Mcfalda as a 5.75 hour teacher assistant at step 3 according to the current HESPA contract. Discussion: None. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Good supported by Kraus to approve hiring a Ms. Roxana Vanhaisma as the Middle School Assistant Track Coach for the 2022-2023 season retro to the beginning of the season per the current HEA contract. Discussion: None. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.

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Board discussion

None

Adjournment

Motion by Good, supported by Maynard to Adjourn. Discussion: none. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passes 5-0.
The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Michelle Allen, Secretary***

Al Daniels, Board President***

***Signature on file in the Administrative Office