

Ludington Area Schools
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting

December 11, 2023

- I. Call to Order & Roll Call ~ The meeting was held in the Administration Office 809 East Tinkham Avenue, Ludington, Michigan, 49431. The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Autrey at six o'clock p.m.
Members Present: Dr. Bret Autrey, Mike Nagle, Stephanie Reed, Sarah Lowman and Leona Ashley
Members Absent: Steve Carlson, Scott Foster
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Agenda Modification ~ None.
- IV. Special Presentation
- A. Student Athlete State Recognition presentation opened by Greg Pscodna, Athletic Director who introduced the head coach for each respective sport with a student to be recognized. In total ten student athletes were presented with a certificate for their excellence in achieving state recognition.
- B. Student Government Update - Jack Jubar gave an update on several student government initiatives including a food and donation drive to support less fortunate families of Ludington Elementary students for the holidays. A preview of upcoming events was also shared.
- C. Mike Hart, Principal, OJ DeJonge Middle School presented an update on events and news at the middle school. Mr. Hart shared that OJ DeJonge was recently voted by US News & World Report to be in the top 7% of middle schools. Criteria used includes standardized assessments scores, teacher/student ratio and course offerings.
- V. Citizen Participation ~ Two citizens addressed the Board.
- VI. Consent Agenda
- A. Ratification of Bill Payment Per Summary Dated December 11, 2023 was approved by consent.
- B. Approval of Minutes Dated: November 20, 2023 were approved by consent.
- C. Hiring approvals were approved by consent for the following positions:
- Logan Stafford, Bus Driver
- D. Resignation acceptance was approved by consent for:
- Kelsey Britton, Aide
 - Andrea Sargent, Student Success Coordinator
- E. Retirement acceptance was approved by consent for:
- Penny Schultz, Administrative Assistant
 - Martha Hamilton, Athletic Secretary
- Motion by Reed, supported by Nagle, to approve the consent agenda as written and presented. Vote: Ayes: Autrey, Nagle, Reed, Lowman, and Ashley. Nays: None. Motion: Carries 5-0.
- VII. Superintendent's Report and Comments
- A. Superintendent Dr. Kyle Corlett presented the monthly Soaring Oriole Award to Jen Rowe.
- VIII. Discussion Items
- A. The Bond Project Application and Certification for Payment #44 in the amount of \$2,466,853.08 was presented.
- B. A second reading of the Neola Policy Update Volume 38 Number 1 was shared.

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IX. Action Items

A. Motion by Lowman, supported by Ashley, to approve the certificate for payment on the school bond project and to authorize the District to pay the certificate for payment in the amount of \$2,466,853.08 as certified by the architect and construction manager, and as outlined in the Certificate for Payment. Vote: Ayes: Autrey, Nagle, Reed, Lowman, and Ashley. Nays: None. Motion: Carries 5-0.

B. Motion by Nagle, supported by Reed, to approve the Neola Policy Updates Volume 38 Number 1. Vote: Ayes: Autrey, Nagle, Reed, Lowman, and Ashley. Nays: None. Motion: Carries 5-0.

X. Other Items of Business and Announcements ~ Dr. Corlett acknowledged the retirement at the end of the month of Penny Schultz and thanked her for her many years of service to the district. Dr. Corlett also acknowledged and gave thanks to the teachers and staff who will be helping with the move at the middle school at the end of the school day on December 15th.

XI. Adjournment ~ Motion by Reed, supported by Nagle, to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Vote: Ayes: Autrey, Nagle, Reed, Lowman, and Ashley. Nays: None. Motion: Carries 5-0.

Michael W. Nagle, Secretary, Board of Education

Approved on _____

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