

Ludington Area Schools  
Board of Education  
Minutes of Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting

July 19, 2021

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Public Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting

- 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: Bret Autrey, Josh Snyder, Mike Nagle,  
Stephanie Reed, Leona Ashley, Scott Foster  
Members Absent: Steve Carlson
- II. Agenda Modification ~ None to report.
- III. Citizen Participation ~ None heard.
- IV. Public Hearing ~ Jesse Rickard presented the property tax millage rate to be levied and the general fund budget for the 2021-2022 school year.
- V. Adjournment ~ Motion by Nagle, supported by Reed, to adjourn the hearing at 6:07 p.m.  
Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

Regular Meeting

- VI. Call to Order & Roll Call ~ The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Board Vice President Autrey.
- VII. Agenda Modification ~ Action Item: Purchase of Ten (10) Lunch Tables in the amount of \$19,473.24. Motion by Snyder, supported by Reed, to approve the agenda modification.  
Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- VIII. Citizen Participation ~ Carol Johnson addressed the Board with concerns regarding curriculum and that what is being taught does not promote Critical Race Theory.
- IX. Consent Agenda
  - A. Ratification of Bill Payment Per Summary Dated July 19, 2021, was approved by consent.
  - B. Approval of Minutes of the Budget/Regular Meeting June 28, 2021 was approved by consent.
  - C. Epi-Pen Renewal for the 2021-2022 school year was approved by consent. Motion by Snyder, supported by Reed, to approve the consent agenda as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- X. Board Committee Reports
  - A. Josh Snyder presented the Finance Committee Report.
  - B. Bret Autrey presented the Building and Site Committee Report.
  - C. Stephanie Reed presented the Personnel Committee Report.
- XI. Superintendent's Report and Comments
  - A. Superintendent Kennedy presented the following items: new teacher hiring recommendations; Owner, Architect, Construction Team Meeting Notes and Progress; and reported on the pool project equipment upgrades.
- XII. Discussion Items - The following topics were submitted for discussion:
  - A. Elementary School Furniture Bid Awards
  - B. School Lunch Prices 2021-2022 School Year
  - C. Update on Return to School Planning for 2021-2022
  - D. Shoreline Cycling Club ~ Singletrack Showdown Race November 27, 2021 Request

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XIII. Action Items

A. Motion by Reed, supported by Nagle, to accept the board meeting schedule, dates, times, location, for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting Type</u>	<u>Location/School Building</u>
August 16, 2021	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
September 20, 2021	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
October 18, 2021	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
November 15, 2021	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
*December 13, 2021	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
January 17, 2022	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
February 21, 2022	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
March 21, 2022	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
April 18, 2022	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
May 16, 2022	Regular Meeting	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.
*June 27, 2022	Budget & Regular	Administration Office, 809 E. Tinkham Ave.

B. Motion by Snyder, supported by Foster, to approve an increase in meal prices by \$0.10 cents per meal for food service breakfasts, lunches, and milk, for the upcoming school year as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

C. Motion by Ashley, supported by Reed, to designate West Shore Bank as official depository of the school district and, further, to designate the Superintendent and Director of Business Services (Jason Kennedy, Jesse Rickard) to act as officials on behalf of the school district and as official signatories authorized to sign checks, contracts, agreements, purchase orders, and other appropriate documents, and/or authorize transfers in accounts as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

D. Motion by Reed, supported by Foster to designate the Superintendent and Director of Business Services (Jason Kennedy, Jesse Rickard) as authorized agents of the District to complete such transactions on behalf of the Board, through Automatic Clearing House (ACH) process, be designated as the District's Electronic Transfer Officers (ETO) in accordance with the provisions of Board Policy #6144 as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

E. Motion by Foster, supported by Nagle, to approve the certificate for payment on the elementary school bond project and to authorize the District to pay \$1,974,759.18, as certified by the architect and construction manager, and as outlined in the Certificate for Payment #15 as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

F. Motion by Ashley, supported by Snyder, to award the following furniture purchasing contracts, totaling \$1,259,081.08, as follows:

- Custer, Inc. \$541,829.50
- Dew-El \$366,496.28
- Great Lakes Furniture Supply \$46,380.00
- Holland Desk & Chair \$135,663.05
- Interphase Interiors \$149,090.95
- Lakeshore Learning \$19,621.30

Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

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- G. Motion by Reed, supported by Nagle, to approve new teacher probationary contracts for Ryan Lewis, Courtney, Doman, Jeff Knapp, and Matt Gunberg, pending successful completion of all in-service requirements and background checks per Board Policy and Michigan Law, as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Ashley. Motion: Carries.
- H. Motion by Nagle, supported by Ashley, to approve the ratification of the Ludington Education Association Contract 2021-2022, 2022-2023 as negotiated, written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- I. Motion by Reed, supported by Foster, to approve the purchase of ten lunch tables in the amount of \$19,473.24 as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- J. Motion by Reed, supported by Snyder, to go into Closed Session at the request of the Superintendent for the purpose of his Personnel Evaluation per MCL 15.268 Section 8(1). Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- The Board entered closed session at 7:03 p.m.  
The Board returned to open session at 7:49 p.m.
- K. Motion by Foster, supported by Reed, to approve the evaluation of the Superintendent with a 3.99 score and Highly Effective Rating for the 2020-2021 school year. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- XIV. Other Items of Business and Announcements ~ None to report.
- XV. Adjournment ~ Motion by Nagle, supported by Reed, to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

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Michael W. Nagle, Secretary, Board of Education

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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