REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REETHS-PUFFER SCHOOLS – MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN May 15, 2023

A regular meeting of the Reeths-Puffer Board of Education was called to order by President Kim Bramer at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2023 the Educational Services Building, 991 W. Giles Road, Muskegon, Michigan.

The following members were present:

Kim Bramer, President Jennifer Romanosky, Vice President Sonya Hernandez, Trustee Chris Brown, Treasurer Susan Blackburn, Secretary Joan Vincent, Trustee

The following members were absent:
Alex Keefe

Others present:

Steve Edwards, Superintendent Rob Renes, Assistant Superintendent 29 Others

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nate Smith, Jennifer Anderson and Jocelin Dvorak introduced our biliteracy seal students to the board. The students that earned this prestigious award were: Cade Borgeson, Kyle Schlaff, Eva Shinabery, Kennedy Hynde, Elena Kass, Kendall Kozik, Bryan Ramirez and Haylee Steenhagen.

Mrs. Dvorak mentioned the requirements of ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Language) and how they have to meet proficiency. Proficiency goes up a pyramid of novice low, mid, high and then into Intermediate low, mid, high and into advanced/superior. To qualify for the Seal of Biliteracy, the students have to show proficiency at Intermediate high for each of speaking, listening, writing, and reading. They had to take 4 exams (1 of each) and score an Intermediate 5 or higher in order to qualify for the seal. A gold seal will be placed on their diplomas signifying this accomplishment.

Jennifer LaChapelle introduced the STATS students (Makenzie Languirand, David Grimard, Grace Seiber and Jaylee Hagstrom) who shared their experience traveling to Washington D.C. to attend the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America National Forum (CADCA). Although CADCA mainly focused on drug use among teens and prevention, it also shed light on Mental Health and Human Trafficking. It was a great experience and to present at the 2024 forum. The STATS students will be adding two mental health teams to help the High School and Middle School with this subject.

The following items were discussed:

- MAISD 2023-2024 General Fund Budget
- MAISD Biennial Election Resolution
- High School Athletic Handbook Revisions Second Reading
- Intermediate Student Handbook Revisions First Reading
- Middle School Student Handbook First Reading
- High School Student Handbook First Reading
- Elementary Handbook No change suggested.

It was moved by Sonya Hernandez and supported by Jennifer Romanosky to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda follows:

- 1. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes April 17, 2023
- 2. Approve Closed Session Minutes April 17, 2023
- 3. Approve Closed Session Minutes April 17, 2023
- 4. Approve Personnel Report
- 5. Approve Resolution in Support of the 2023-2024 MAISD General Fund Budget
- 6. Approve High School Athletic Handbook Revisions Second Reading
- 7. Approve early graduation for Christian Goode
- 8. Approve early graduation for Isiah Van Noorde
- 9. Approve Boys Varsity Basketball players to attend the Midwest Live Boys Event at the Cedar Point Sports Center in Sandusky, Ohio, June 23-25, 2023
- 10. Approve the Support of Safe Routes to School Partnership and Application Resolution.
- 11. Approve MAISD Biennial Election Resolution.

The meeting was open to the public.

None

Communications – Superintendent:

- May 25th- Ride with Pride Ceremony
- June 1st Rocket Scholars
- June 4th Senior Parade
- June 5th Senior Awards Ceremony
- June 6th Graduation. Ceremony starts at 8:23pm. Fireworks will follow.

Communications – Board Members:

None

A retirement gathering will be held at 5:00p.m. before the June 12, 2023 regular board meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education of Reeths-Puffer Schools will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023, 5:30p.m. at the Educational Services Building, 991 W. Giles Road, Muskegon, Michigan.

A work session is not scheduled in June.

It was moved by Sonya Hernandez and supported by Chris Brooks to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Blackburn, Secretary