

**MENOMINEE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MENOMINEE, MICHIGAN**

“It is the mission of the Menominee Area School Board to provide an education that best enables our students to compete successfully in today’s modern world as well as to provide a safe and challenging atmosphere while being fiscally responsible to our community.”

**APPROVED**

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**

The Board of Education of the Menominee Area Public Schools met for a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the Board, Mr. Derek Butler at 6:00 p.m. members present:

Mr. Derek Butler, President  
Mrs. Dawn Wesolowski, Vice President  
Ms. Becky Thoun, Secretary  
Ms. Nicole Myszak, Treasurer  
Mr. Hunter Mans, Trustee  
Mr. Michael Maas, Trustee in @ 6:22  
Mrs. Cindy Woods, Trustee  
Mr. John Mans, Superintendent  
Ms. Abbey Leinonen, Senior Student Representative  
Ms. Anna Nerat, Junior Student Representative

Members absent: Ms. Abbey Leinonen, Senior Student Representative

**ADOPT AGENDA:**

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the agenda be adopted as presented.  
Motion Carried. (6-0)

**APPROVE MINUTES:**

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 22, 2021 be approved as presented. Motion Carried. (6-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comment

**NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

a.

**BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT:**

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole the Bill Warrants in the amount of \$748,363.07, from Payroll (11), \$413,090.40, from

the General Fund; \$27,976.87, from the School Lunch Fund (25); \$1,788.53, from the Trust and Agency Fund (61); \$2,000.00, from the Scholarship Fund (51); \$10,333.95, from the Sinking Fund (43); for a grand total of \$1,203,552.82.

Motion Carried. (6-0) (Appendix I to these minutes)

## **REGULAR MEETING**

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**MARCH 15, 2021**

### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:**

#### **CENTRAL**

- ◆Central's Reading month theme, "Get in the game and READ" has been well underway. The students have had a dress up or a reading themed day all month so far. The students and staff are enjoying the community-wide events both in person and online.
- ◆Central Elementary School is in the last week of our Read-A-thon Reading Fundraiser. We have a school-wide goal of 100,000 minutes. So far we have surpassed our goal and are continuing to see how many minutes our students are able to read. Thank you to Mrs. Brandt for all of the work tracking and adding our basketballs to the school-wide bulletin board. We have also raised almost \$5000 for books and reading supplies for our entire school.
- ◆The PTO Saykilly's chocolate fundraiser pick-up will be Monday, March 22nd. There will be a drive-by pick up in the parking lot that day at the outside gym entrance.
- ◆The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16th at 3:30 p.m. via zoom. We will be discussing Saykilly's pick up, volunteer opportunities, and upcoming events.
- ◆Thank you to Winsert for your generous donations of school supplies and money for our Read-A-Thon!
- ◆Thank you to JCI for the donation of winter coats for the students at Central. The weather is still chilly and the warm clothes are much appreciated.

#### **BLESCH**

- ◆Pick up for items from Blesch's fundraiser will be Wednesday, March 17th. Blesch sold over \$11,000 worth of items. All money from this fundraiser goes to support student activities within Blesch.
- ◆Blesch will be holding goodbye winter and hello spring break spirit weeks. Students will show maroon pride, wear comfy pj's, dress in green, wear crazy socks, wear flannels, dress up in Hawaiaian attire, wear their favorite jerseys, wear bright colors, wear college attire and wear tie dye to celebrate the two weeks before spring break.
- ◆The end of Quarter 3 is March 19th.

#### **JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH**

- ◆The basketball and wrestling teams are doing well. The girls are currently undefeated.
- ◆Emma Anderson broke the all time points record for girls basketball in their game against Gladstone.
- ◆BPA State Leadership Conference is March 18-21.
- ◆New members of the National Honor Society will be formally inducted on March 23.
- ◆The student council ran a non perishable food drive for the homeless shelter last week.
- ◆The third quarter ends March 19.
- ◆Spring break is March 29 - April 5.

### **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Moved by Ms. Thoun, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approved the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, March 8, 2021.

Motion Carried. (6 -0) (Appendix II to these minutes)

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Moved by Mrs. Woods, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approved the new hires for the 2020-21 school year:

Mackenzie Trepanier - Spec Ed Para Aide - Central  
Michael Melchoir - Girls Assistant Coach

Motion Carried. (6-0) (Appendix III to these minutes)

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### **ACTION ITEMS CONT:**

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approved the retirements at the end of the school year:

Gregory Langlois - Science Teacher - Jr/Sr High  
Jonathan Nutter - Band/Choir Teacher - Jr/Sr High  
Ronald Jackson - English Teacher - High School  
Donna Kehoe - Title I Paraprofessional Aide - Bleach

Motion Carried. (6-0) (Appendix IV to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Myszak, seconded by Mr. Mans, that the Board of Education approved the revised 2020-21 General Fund Budget.

Motion Carried. (6-0) (Appendix V to these minutes)

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approved the increased daily pay for substitute teachers from \$95.00 to \$125.00, effective April 5, 2021.

Motion Carried. (6-0)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Thoune, that the Board of Education approved the MAPS Covid-19 Learning Plan.

Motion Carried. (6-0) (Appendix VI to these minutes)

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS:**

#### **CENTRAL**

- ◆Central Elementary has created a literacy committee comprised of teacher and staff to not only plan reading events, such as March is reading month, but also to encourage literacy across the school.
- ◆The money raised from our Read-A-Thon will be used primarily for school-wide summer literacy programming/books. With the Corona Virus shutting schools down multiple times over the past year, every student can benefit from additional instructional activities and opportunities, especially in reading.
- ◆All first and second grade classes are now 1:1 with devices. We are very excited about the new opportunities this

offers for our students.

- ◆Kindergarten registration/screening will be the week of May 24th. More information will be out shortly. We are planning a “by appointment only” registration and screening process, using the gymnasium and key certified staff.
- ◆Recess outside on the playground and lunch in the cafeteria have been going well. It is so wonderful to see students acting like students once again. A huge thank you to all the staff for making this transition as easy and manageable as possible.

#### **BLESCH**

- ◆Blesch’s online teachers sent postcards to all of their online students wishing them a safe and happy spring break.
- ◆Blesch staff will be completing their second round of perception data for how they think students are performing in their classrooms.
- ◆Blesch will be starting M-Step testing once we return from Spring Break.
- ◆Blesch will be receiving 5 SEL videos from Terrace Talley. This is a speaker that has previously visited the school. He has a very powerful message that promotes all students’ matters. This was made possible by a very generous donation from a community member.
- ◆Book battles will be taking place next week. We hope to have a class champion for each grade.

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#### **PRINCIPAL’S REPORTS CONT:**

##### **JR/SR HIGH**

- ◆The years seems to be flying by as we are wrapping up the 3rd quarter this week.
- ◆Teachers will be working on finalizing grades so report cards can be distributed.
- ◆Winter sports are finishing up their regular seasons and athletes are looking forward to making a push in the postseason.
- ◆Emma Anderson became the all time leading scorer in Menominee girls basketball history.
- ◆Sign ups for Spring sports have started.
- ◆Students and staff are looking forward to a much deserved break with spring break sneaking up on us.
- ◆Student council sponsored a food drive last week. Students brought canned and boxed food to their 1st period classes.
- ◆High School students will be taking the ASVAB test this Thursday.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

- ◆Diana and I worked at length to get the revised budget together.
- ◆We switched our MAPS administrator meetings daily at 7:15 am to an hour each at 8:30 on Tuesday & Thursday.
- ◆I received a list of volunteers for our Behavior advisory committee. We will be meeting soon.
- ◆Our District Calibration team met March 3rd. A video by Vicki Howell, with an overview of that meeting was sent out to all staff.
- ◆Superintendent’s Roundtable meeting, arranged by MCISD, Steve Martin. ESSER 2 funds were discussed. We expect to get \$473,241 which is 40% of the funds. The remaining funds will be coming at a later date based on upcoming legislation.
- ◆Cindy Woods’ and myself held our 2nd curriculum and instruction advisory meeting. We reviewed some NWEA data.

►Happy St. Patrick's Day

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:37 p.m.  
Motion Carried. (7-0)

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JULIE KRAH, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

APPROVED AND ENTERED INTO THE PROCEEDINGS OF THIS DISTRICT  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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MR. JOHN MANS, SUPERINTENDENT