

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, April 19, 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
 Ms. Becky Thoun, Secretary
 Ms. Nicole Myszak, Treasurer
 Mr. Hunter Mans, Trustee
 Mrs. Cindy Woods, Trustee
 Mr. John Mans, Superintendent
 Ms. Abbey Leinonen, Senior Student Representative
 Ms. Anna Nerat, Junior Student Representative

Members absent: Mrs. Dawn Wesolowski, Vice President, Mr. Michael Maas, Trustee

ADOPT AGENDA:

Moved by Mrs. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the agenda be adopted as presented.
 Motion Carried. (5-0)

APPROVE MINUTES:

Moved by Mrs. Woods, seconded by Mr. Mans, that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 15, 2021 be approved as presented. Motion Carried. (5-0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Public Comment

NON-ACTION ITEMS:

a.

BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT:

Moved by Ms. Thoun, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approved the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole the Bill Warrants in the amount of \$757,676.23, from Payroll (11), \$506,285.69, from the General Fund; \$42,912.83, from the School Lunch Fund (25); \$14,210.67, from the Trust and Agency Fund (61); \$229,063.44, from the Sinking Fund (43); for a grand total of \$1,550,148.86.
 Motion Carried. (5-0) (Appendix I to these minutes)

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

CENTRAL

- ◆ Students raised over \$6,000 for our Read-A-Thon before spring break. They also read a total of 161,026 minutes!! Way to go Central Readers!
- ◆ April is Autism Spectrum Disorder month. Students at Central Elementary celebrated our unique diversity and celebrated Autism Acceptance Spirit Week April 12-16. Each day represented a trait that is unique to individuals with ASD and what makes them special and awesome!
- ◆ The Women's Club is partnering with 1st and 2nd graders for Earth Day on April 22nd. Students are decorating almost 200 brown grocery bags that will be on display and for public use at Jack's in Menominee on Earth day.
- ◆ Kindergarten classes will be incubating and hatching chicks in their classrooms over the next 28 days. We are thankful to the Quaak family for donating the eggs and incubators for this annual science project.
- ◆ Thank you Debbie Hofer for donating supplies and hand sanitizer for our students and staff at Central. It takes a village and we are so happy to have you part of ours.

BLESCH

- ◆ Blesch would like to thank Johnson Controls for their generous donation toward Cereal City Science Kits. This donation will help continue our district push to improve science resources so all students can build a stronger understanding of science concepts.
- ◆ Blesch would like to thank Da Early's Kitchen for their generous monetary donation. They indicated that they would plan to regularly donate a percentage of their profits to help support Menominee Area Public Schools.
- ◆ All Blesch students will be attending a virtual field trip with the National Railroad Museum over the next few Weeks.
- ◆ The Snow Bros art contest concluded today. This has been a huge hit within the school and has been completely student led. It has been amazing to see the art talent and creativity outside of just art class.
- ◆ Blesch will be holding a virtual talent show on May 13th. All potential participants are required to have their talent videos submitted by May 10th.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH

- ◆ Winter sports are now over. The girls' basketball team won districts, but lost to Calumet. The boys' basketball team lost to Iron Mountain.
- ◆ Spring sports (senior and junior high track, softball, baseball, and boys tennis) have begun. All athletes have to get Covid tested weekly in order to participate.
- ◆ On April 13, grades 8-10 took the PSAT and Juniors took the SAT. Juniors also took the ACT Workkeys on April 14.
- ◆ The student council hosted a blood drive on April 14. Students and staff did a great job donating and their donations are greatly appreciated.
- ◆ Josie Hofer signed her National Letter of intent to play golf at UW Oshkosh. She is the fourth person from the senior class to sign. Mackenzie Wellner is running track at Wayne State, Emma Anderson is playing basketball at Wayne State, and Erin Barrette is playing basketball at Bemidji State.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the Board of Education approved the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, April 12, 2021.
Motion Carried. (5 -0) (Appendix II to these minutes)

ACTION ITEMS:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the Board of Education approve the new hires for the 2020-21 school year:

Michelle Wagner - Attendance Secretary - Jr/Sr High

Motion Carried. (5-0) (Appendix III to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the Board of Education approve the district resignation at the end of 2020-21 school year:

Bethany Emler - Jr High Special Ed Teacher

Motion Carried. (5-0) (Appendix IV to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education adopt the following bylaws and board policies Second Reading: po1422, po1623, po1662, po2260, po3122, po3123, po3362, po4122, po4123, po4362, po5517, po2260.01, po2266, po5341, po5342, po5343, po7440.01, po8321, po8330, po8400, po8500, po8510, po6114, po6325, po7450, po7455, ag8321, ag8330, ag8500D.

Motion Carried. (5-0) (Appendix V to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the Board of Education approves the MAPS COVID-19 Learning Plan.

Motion Carried. (5-0) (Appendix VI to these minutes)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS:

CENTRAL

- ◆ Central Elementary has established a Wellness Committee due to receiving a Building Healthy Communities grant this past fall. To end the school year in a healthy way, we are having a 6-week staff wellness challenge. Each week we will be focusing on one area of health and encouraging all staff to participate. Some events planned include a staff walk/run through virtualruns.com, Culligan drinking water for all staff through the remainder of the year, fresh fruits/veggies in the lounge, along with prizes for those who participate each week.
- ◆ Kindergarten registration/screening will be May 24th and 25th. Almost 25 families have already registered! We are planning a "by appointment only" registration and screening process, using the gymnasium and key certified staff. We are excited to trial online registration for our new families this year!
- ◆ Students are currently participating in a student voice survey around the tenets of community and powerful student care at MAPS. This survey is given to all K-12 students and we are anxiously awaiting the data to see our areas of strength and areas for growth.
- ◆ Administrative Assistant Recognition Day is Wednesday, April 21st. A huge thank you to Cindy Jones, Central's heart and soul. We are beyond lucky to have you at our school!

BLESCH

- ◆ Blesch students will begin M-Step testing tomorrow. 5th grade will start the testing for the next 2 weeks followed by 6th grade, 4th grade and 3rd grade.
- ◆ Bleschs' 6th grade students are working on wrapping up their ceiling tile project.
- ◆ Out Outdoor Rec walking club is officially off and walking. We have been able to coordinate technology so students are able to scan their cards which logs how far they walk at recess.

- ◆ We will be receiving some SEL videos from Terrance Talley as a result of a generous donation from a community member.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS CONT:

BLESCH

- ◆ Our SEL team is in the process of identifying and purchasing books to help continue to build our SEL content and resource bank.
- ◆ Blesch just completed a student perception survey. As a district calibration team and building team, we will look at the data and use that to drive professional growth to help our students both academically and social-emotionally.
- ◆ We are attempting to wrap up all teacher observations by April 30.

JR/SR HIGH

- ◆ 8th - 11th grade students participated in PSAT/SAT/ACT Workkeys.
- ◆ 7th, 8th, and 11th grade students will be starting their M-Step testing this week.
- ◆ Spring sports are underway. Athletes and coaches are following Sate/MHSAA Covid-19 protocols.
- ◆ Guidance has put together a senior timeline of events for the remainder of the year.
- ◆ A vaccine clinic for 16 and 17 year olds is scheduled for April 27th in the HS gym.
- ◆ Val Ihde took drone pictures of the schools for the new website.
- ◆ 4th qtr is off and running. Staff and students are working hard to finish strong.
- ◆ Spring break was a great time for everyone to relax and rejuvenate.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- ◆ Diana and I are working to get the 21-22 budget together that will include ESSER 2 and 3 funds.
- ◆ We switched our MAPS admin meetings from daily at 7:15 am to an hour each at 8:30 am on Tuesday and Thursday
- ◆ Our behavior advisory committee has its first meeting under its belt. We will be putting a staff survey together at the next meeting.
- ◆ Our District Calibration team meet April 21. A video by Becky Thoun with an overview of that meeting is out for Review.
- ◆ I have emailed Mr. Botbyl on the liaison officer position and he responded that we are in the budget process and are planning on having it in place by the start of the school year this fall.
- ◆ Met with Koreen Gardon from the DAR Boys and Girls Club to discuss collaboration for homework support.
- ◆ Check out the new website and App on your phone.

COMMUNICATIONS: Thank you sympathy from Gina Zanon family - Loss of her father.
Thank you sympathy from Lynn Tonn family - Loss of her mother.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Ms. Myszak, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
Motion Carried. (5-0)

JULIE KRAH, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

APPROVED AND ENTERED INTO THE PROCEEDINGS OF THIS DISTRICT

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MR. JOHN MANS, SUPERINTENDENT