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, May 17, 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 Thoune, Secretary

Ms. Nicole Myszak, Treasurer

Mr. Hunter Mans, Trustee

Mr. Michael Maas, Trustee

Mrs. Cindy Woods, Trustee

Mr. John Mans, Superintendent

Ms. Abbey Leinonen, Senior Student Representative

Ms. Anna Nerat, Junior Student Representative

Members absent:

ADOPT AGENDA:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the agenda be adopted as presented. Motion Carried. (7-0)

APPROVE MINUTES:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 10, 2021 be approved as presented. Motion Carried. (7-0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jody Wurth, W6587 #9 Lane, Wallace, MI 49893

- Congrats to the online teachers for their award.
- ▶ Thank you to the Kiwanis club for purchasing 5th grade planners for 2021-22.
- ▶ Thank you negotiating team working great together with administrators and board members.
- Thank you principals, administrators, support staff for the great work this year with it being a hard year.
- Congratulations to all of the retirees.

NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Paula Gruszynski M&M Community Foundation Grant
- b. Recognition Retirees
- c. Bleach Online Teachers Award
- D. Brett Bottbyl Liaison Officer

BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT:

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, 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 \$1,085,438.23, from Payroll (11), \$290,730.90, from the General Fund; \$19,331.26, from the School Lunch Fund (25); \$19,703.17, from the Trust and Agency Fund (61); \$4,693.90, from the Sinking Fund (43); for a grand total of \$1,419,897.46.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix I to these minutes)

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

CENTRAL

- ▶ Kindergarten students have hatched 45 chicks over the past week! All hatchings will be going to their forever home on the Quaak Farm next week.
- ▶ Thank you to Paula Gruszynski and the M&M Community Foundation partnerships for the Future Fund resources for our Kindergarten and 1st grade students. Every kindergarten will receive a \$50 savings bond that they will be able to use upon graduation. In addition, every 1st grader this year is receiving an additional \$5 put towards their \$50 savings bond last year. We are so honored to be part of the community support for the future of the children of Menominee.
- For the month of May, students at Central are working towards a field day by being STAR students. Students are awarded star tickets and each will use those tickets to earn their grade level more fun at field day. They are earning: 6 Field Day Events, water bottles, snacks, prizes, and tshirts.
- ▶ Thank you to Walmart for your generous donation of individual antibacterial wipes for our students. The children loved the fun packaging from emojis to WWE wrestlers. It was a fun way to promote healthy hands at school.
- ▶ Thank you to Kohls for your generous donation of hand sanitizer. We go through 4 large bottles per week during lunch alone, so the donation is very appreciated.

BLESCH

- ▶ Blesch would like to thank both Kohl's department store and Debbie Hofer for their generous donation of hand sanitizer to the school.
- ▶ Blesch would like to thank the Kiwanis club for donating planners for all of our incoming 5th grade students for next year.
- ♦ All Blesch students will be attending a virtual field trip on shipwrecks in the following weeks. They will also attend a

trip down to the marina where they will learn about scuba diving and go through the process of a successful dive.

- Our 4th grade students participated in PE-Nut lessons. These lessons promote healthy activities and nutrition.
- ▶ Blesch's special education teachers put together ACES day. This day helped promote exercise for our elementary Students.
- ▶ Blesch held a virtual talent show on May 13th. Many students submitted videos of their talents. We had over 40 videos submitted for the show. Overall, this was a very successful event and Blesch would like to thank Mrs. Brunelle for putting it together.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH

- ▶ There was a Covid Vaccine Clinic for 16 and 17 year olds. The second dose will be given on May 18.
- ▶ Spring testing is still underway: PSAT/SAT/ACT Workkeys, MStep for 7, 8, & 11, NWEA for 7-10.
- ▶ 21 Health Occupation students completed CNA clinicals at the Menominee Health Services. This means each student completed at least 32 hours of patient care. Due to covid she could only take 4-5 students at a time. Each group did a phenomenal job. I could not be more proud of each of these students.
- ♦ Great job at the blood drive last week. 41 presenting donors, 19 of those were first time donors, 31 whole blood units collected, 6 power red units=37 total units collected (short 5 units from goal). Which equates to 111 potential lives saved. Next 3 blood drives at MHS are June 11, August 18 & December 10
- Prom was held with the grand march at the HS and a dance at Murrays afterwards.
- Spring fling week.
- NHS sponsored a supply drive for the homeless shelter.

▶ Spring sports - UP Finals coming up.

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STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH

▶ HYC Youth Summit is tomorrow morning via zoom and breakout sessions: Substance abuse and prevention, Health

and stress management, Making positive choices and more.

- ▶ Scholarship/Senior Recognition Night was held with almost \$300,000 in scholarships handed out.
- ▶ Senior athletic banquet will be held on May 19 in the gym.
- ▶ Senior finals are this week with graduation being held on May 26, 7:30 pm at Blesch Field (weather permitting)

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approved the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix II to these minutes)

ACTION ITEMS:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Thoune, that the Board of Education approve the following new hire:

Lisa Roubal - Title I Para Aide - Bleach Emilio Amador-Reyes - ELL Tutor

Matthew Anderson - Band/Choir Teacher

Melody Drum - Cafeteria Part Time

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix III to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approve district retirements:

Jamie Schomer - Science Teacher/Title IX Coordinator

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix IV to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Myszak, seconded by Mr. Mans, that the Board of Education in accordance with Section 105 of the State Aide Act, agrees to accept applications of non-resident students from outside our district who reside within the Menominee County Intermediate District for enrollment purposes for the 2021-2022 school year in accordance with the School of Choice Program.

Motion Carried. (7-0)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution approving the Menominee County ISD General Fund Operating Budget for the 2021-2022 school year, as attached.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix V to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Myszak, seconded by Mr. Mans, that the Board of Education approve the resolution designating Hunter Mans, a representative for the ISD election, with Cindy Woods as an alternate representative.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix VI to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approve the attached list of Menominee High School students as recipients of a High School Diploma, contingent upon the successful completion of program requirements and Board Policy for 2020-21.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix VII to these minutes)

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ACTION ITEMS CONT:

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the Board of Education approve the resolution to determine the 2021-22 tax levy (L4029), as attached.

Motion Carried. (7 -0) (Appendix VIII to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approve the MCDEA 2021-2024 contract, per attachment.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix IX to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education adopt the Michigan High School Athletic Association Membership (MHSAA) resolution for the year, August 1, 2021 until July 31, 2022. Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix X to these minutes)

Moved by Mr. Mans, seconded by Ms. Thoune, that the Board of Education approve the MAPS COVID-10 Learning Plan.

Motion Carried. (7-0) (Appendix XI to the minutes)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS:

CENTRAL

- NWEA testing commenced last week. We have tested almost all students in Math and are currently testing in Reading. These assessments will show all the areas of academic growth our students have made over the past year.
- Our staff reviewed the student voice survey results last Friday. We have many areas of success including over 93% of students feeling that their teachers believe in them and expect them to do their best! Our focus moving forward will be in the areas of student/adult conversations and making school more enjoyable.
- Central Elementary Staff Wellness initiatives are still underway. Staff have eaten healthier, drank more water, completed a 5K, gave gratitude, and have established self-care habits that will hopefully last a lifetime.
- MAPS Cares has provided fresh fruit to each classroom at Central. These healthy snacks not only provide a sweet treat, but also have helped align our healthy staff habits into the classrooms as well.
- ▶ Kindergarten registration/screening will be May 24th and 25th. We currently have screened 17 students from GSRP and have approximately 40 more that have signed up for this event. We are partnering with the Delta/Menominee County Health Department for hearing and vision screening at this event.

BLESCH

- ▶ Blesch students completed M-Step testing last week. Many of the students gave it their best effort and we are excited to see how they performed even after facing many of the struggles of a pandemic.
- ▶ Blesch will be holding a 6th grade recognition ceremony on May 25th at 1:15 on the football field. Family members of our 6th grade class are welcome to join. Students will then have a pizza party in the gym following the Ceremony.
- ▶ Staff dove into student perception data as a district team, building team and staff. The data gave the district some

good input and hopefully will guide improvement moving forward.

- Our 6th grade students completed a survey for the Healthy Youth Coalition. This data is used to help them plan programming for our community youth.
- Our 6th grade students are wrapping up their ceiling tile project. You can see some of their magnificent work

displayed in the commons area.

▶ Teachers Recognition Day was May 7th. It is important to thank and recognize all of our teachers and staff for their

continued dedication and hard work. Our students and district are truly lucky to have such devoted individuals.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS CONT:

BLESCH

▶ We want to recognize and congratulate Blesch's online teaching staff: Marissa Siem, Gina Zanon, Olivia Kintgen, Alexis Teske, and Kelly McCarthy. They were the winners of the M&M Chamber of Commerce Achievement in Education award. They were nominated as a group by a group of students for their tireless hard work and dedication. Menominee was searching for a virtual program and each teacher stepped up through all of the struggles electronically, personally and professionally to deliver an educational experience that each child deserved.

JR/SR HIGH

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Our behavior advisory committee has its first meeting under its belt. We will be putting a staff survey together at the next meeting. We are meeting Tuesday at 4 pm in Blesch library.
- Our curriculum and instruction committee is being rescheduled due to attendance issues.
- Our district calibration team met May 5th. A video by Peggy Grille with an overview of that meetings is out for review.
- There is a contract with police chief Bottbyl on the liaison officer position.
- Graduation is just around the corner, the ceremony is slated to be outdoors, weather permitting. If it is foul weather it will be in the gym with seating capacity restrictions.

COMMUNICATIONS: Thank you sympathy from Jon Kytta - Retired teacher.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Ms. Myszak, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:47 p.m. Motion Carried. (7-0)

JULIE KRAH, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT
APPROVED AND ENTERED INTO THE PROCEEDINGS OF THIS DISTRICT, 2021
MR. JOHN MANS, SUPERINTENDENT