

**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, June 21, 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  
Mrs. Cindy Woods, Trustee

Members absent: Ms. Nicole Myszak, Treasurer, Mr. Hunter Mans, Trustee, Mr. Michael Maas, Trustee, Mr. John Mans, Superintendent

**ADOPT AGENDA:**

Moved by Ms. Thoun, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the agenda be adopted as presented.  
Motion Carried. (4-0)

**APPROVE MINUTES:**

Moved by Mrs. Woods, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 17, 2021 be approved as presented. Motion Carried. (4-0)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

♦ Jerry/Terri Derusha-3214 14th Avenue, Menominee, MI 49858 - Questions regarding the renewal of Grant Chandler’s contract. Have not heard anything good from any staff members regarding Grant; no positives.

**NON-ACTION ITEMS:**

a. Recognition Award - Cindy Jones

**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 \$746,429.88, from Payroll (11), \$555,715.80, from the General Fund; \$32,918.96, from the School Lunch Fund (25); \$22,139.38, from the Trust and Agency Fund (61); for a grand total of \$1,357,204.02.  
Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix I to these minutes)

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT:**

**OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approved the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on Monday, June 14, 2021.

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix II to these minutes)

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approve the following new hires:

Rebecca Bouty - English Teacher - Jr/Sr High  
Bryce Kelly - Math Teacher - Jr/Sr High  
Jennifer Mead - 2nd Gr Teacher - Central  
Andrea Radtke - Kitchen Aide - Jr/Sr High  
Ashley Anderson - 3rd Gr Teacher - Bleach  
Karie Buelteman - Secretary - Central  
Paula Anderson - Kindergarten Teacher - Central  
Amanda Valitchka - Sped Ed Teacher - Junior High  
Matthew Albano - Science Teacher - High School

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix III to these minutes)

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Ms. Thoune, that the Board of Education approve the following resignations:

Brianna Chaltry - 5th Gr Teacher - Bleach  
Tasha Parthie - Kindergarten Teacher - Central  
Kira Klimek - Volleyball Coach

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix IV to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approve the following retirement:

Debbie LaCombe - Title I Aide - Central

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix V to the minutes)

Moved by Mrs. Woods, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approve the hot lunch prices for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix VI to these minutes)

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the Board of Education approve the resolution to borrow up to \$1,000,000.00 against the anticipated 2021-22 state aid.

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix VII to these minutes)

Moved by Ms. Thoune, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board of Education approve the General Fund Budget & School Service Budget (Food Service) for the 2021-22 school year.

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix VIII to these minutes)

**ACTION ITEMS CONT:**

Moved by Mrs. Woods, seconded by Ms. Thoune, that the Board of Education approve the resolution for the 2020-21 final budget revision.

Motion Carried. (4-0) (Appendix IX to these minutes)

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS:**

**CENTRAL**

- ♦ Every K-2 student at Central Elementary received 8 weeks' worth of summer learning materials before school was out for the summer vacation. In addition to the printed packet materials, students were able to choose 2 books to keep which were purchased with the Read-A-Thon fundraiser proceeds. Students who were also enrolled in any online programming (Reading Eggs, Rocket Math, Moby Max, Khan Academy, etc.) were given their student log-ins for the summer.
- ♦ Mrs. Pohlmann had received a summer learning grant 2 years ago and those funds are being used to support targeted 1st graders this summer who were on an Individualized Reading Improvement Plan throughout the school year. Research shows that students who are not reading at grade level by the end of 1st grade are not likely to close that gap throughout the rest of their schooling. This is why targeting 1st grade is so important to ensuring these students have the foundational skills necessary to succeed in the future.
- ♦ Central Elementary's PTO received a Hannahville 2% grant two years ago for additional concrete to be added to the playground. Jennifer MacDonald (PTO President) has partnered with Mr. Steve Sobay to ensure this project gets completed. Steve has quoted for the \$10,000 grant to be used to add concrete to the entrance of the playground and add a sidewalk leading to the playground equipment.
- ♦ Many teachers and staff at Central are busy this summer working on behavior/discipline, curriculum, ISD sponsored Reading/ELA professional development, classes, and other learning/growing opportunities. Thank you to the dedicated staff that I have who always want to do and be their best for our littlest learners!

**BLESCH**

- ♦ Working on filling open positions. We still currently have a 4th grade and 6th grade position open.
- ♦ Working on finalizing a schedule for the 21-22 school year.
- ♦ We have completed all state required reports.
- ♦ Our curriculum team is working on building and updating some UbD units for ELA and Math.
- ♦ We went through, organized and cleaned our school store.

**JR/SR HIGH**

- ♦ Senior recognition night.
- ♦ Senior athletic banquet.
- ♦ 7th-10th grade finished up NWEA testing.
- ♦ Spring athletics finished up with many participating in UP finals.
- ♦ Graduation.
- ♦ Final exams were completed.
- ♦ Jr high students held a talent show.
- ♦ Grades were finalized and made available to the students.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Thank you from senior students that received scholarships.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Woods, that the meeting be adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Motion Carried. (4-0)

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**JUNE 21, 2021**

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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