

**MUNISING PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
June 29, 2021**

A regular meeting, held in person and electronically, of the Munising Public Schools' Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on the above date by Paula Ackerman, President.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alma Oatley, James Petersen, Paula Ackerman, Lara Bender, John Carr, Greg Pond

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jason Brisson

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Peter Kelto, Superintendent/6-12 Principal  
DeeJay Paquette, Elementary Principal/Athletic Director  
Elizabeth "Libby" Blank, Business Manager

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Nicole Lasak, Lisa Cromell, Jolene Hetherington, Mandy Cole, Dawn Mattson, Sarah Johnson, Brice Burge

**RECOGNITION OF PERSONS PRESENT and THOSE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OR PRESENT AN ITEM OF BUSINESS FOR A FUTURE MEETING:** Public comments/audience participation.  
No action taken.

**APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by John Carr that the meeting minutes of the May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting and May 18, 2021 Special Meeting, June 15, 2021 Special Meeting and June 23, 2021 Special Meeting be approved. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report was read showing account balances as of May 31, 2021 to be as follows:

GENERAL FUND	<u>\$1,257,827.13</u>
DEBT RETIREMENT	<u>\$ 216,907.81</u>
QZAB DEBT RETIREMENT	<u>\$ 10.44</u>
CAPITAL PROJECTS	<u>\$ 103,251.53</u>
STUDENT/SCHOOL ACTIVITY	<u>\$ 108,459.49</u>

A motion was made by John Carr and supported by James Petersen that the treasurer's report be approved as read. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**EXPENDITURES AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVAL:** A motion was made by Lara Bender and supported by Alma Oatley that the bills recommended for payment be approved for payment providing funds are available. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**TOTAL BILLS** **\$675,806.89**

**CONSIDER FINAL AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020-2021 BUDGET(S):** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by James Petersen to approve the final amendments to the 2020-2021 budget(s). Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER TAX RATE REQUEST:** A motion was made by Lara Bender and supported by Greg Pond that we approve the 2021 tax rate request. Motion carried. 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET(S):** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by John Carr that we approve the proposed 2021-2022 budget(s). Motion Carried. 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION OF DISTRIBUTION/POSTING OF LITERATURE POLICY:**

Discussion was held and it was decided that the School will put a disclaimer on information handed out stating the opinions, beliefs and viewpoints do not necessarily reflect the opinion, beliefs or viewpoints of the Munising Public Schools. This disclaimer notice will also go on the Pony Express.

**CONSIDER ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF SUB BUS DRIVER/CUSTODIAN:** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by Alma Oatley that we accept the resignation of Billie LeVeque with regret. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF LIBRARY AIDE:** A motion was made by Lara Bender and supported by James Petersen to accept the resignation of Kim Rolfe with regret. Motion carried: 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF VARSITY CHEERLEADING COACH:** A motion was made by John Carr and supported by Lara Bender that we accept the resignation of Nicole Lasak with regret. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF STUDENT COUNCIL ADVISOR:** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by Greg Pond that we accept the resignation of Nicole Lasak with regret. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION AND ATTORNEY-CLIENT FEE CONTRACT REGARDING JUUL LABS, INC. LAWSUIT:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by Lara Bender that we approve the resolution and attorney-client fee contract regarding the Juul Labs, Inc. lawsuit. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER HIRING VARSITY FOOTBALL ASSISTANT COACH:** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by Greg Pond that we hire Matt Peramaki as Assistant Varsity Football Coach. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER HIRING JV BOYS BASKETBALL COACH:** A motion was made by James Petersen and supported by John Carr that we hire Josh Cole as the JV Boys Basketball Coach. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER HIRING JV FOOTBALL ASSISTANT COACH:** A motion was made by John Carr and supported by Greg Pond that we hire Brett Johnson as Assistant JV Football Coach. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER ADOPTING MHSAA MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION FOR 2021-2022:** A motion was made by Lara Bender and supported by John Carr that we adopt the MHSAA Membership Resolution for 2021-2022. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER REMOVING AND ADDING SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TO THE ATHLETIC ACCOUNT AND ACTIVITY ACCOUNT:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by John Carr that we take Dee Jay Paquette off of the Athletic Account at Peoples State Bank and the Activities Account at Embers Credit Union and that Mike Travis be added to both the Athletic and Activities Accounts. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER APPROVING NON-UNION WAGE INCREASE:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by Greg Pond to approve the non-union wage increase as presented. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CONSIDER EXTENDING SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT:** A motion was made by John Carr and supported by Greg Pond that we extend the Superintendent’s contract for one year, 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by James Petersen that the Board move to closed session for contract negotiations. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**OPEN SESSION:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by Greg Pond that the Board move to open session. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

**FINAL RECOGNITION OF PERSONS PRESENT and THOSE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OR PRESENT AN ITEM OF BUSINESS FOR A FUTURE MEETING:** Public comments/audience participation. No action taken.

**SET DATE, TIME, TOPIC OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Paula Ackerman and supported by James Petersen to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried – 6 ayes/0 nays; Ms. Oatley – aye; Mr. Petersen – aye; Mrs. Ackerman – aye; Mrs. Bender – aye; Mr. Carr – aye; Mr. Pond – aye.

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Paula Ackerman, President

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John Carr, Secretary