

## **Board of Education**

23033 Northline, Taylor, MI 48180 (734) 374-1200

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

November 30, 2021

### **OPENING ITEMS**

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:08 P.M.**

#### **Roll Call**

Present: D. Thomas, J. Thomas, K. Wright, A. Block, R. Danaj, A. McNew, D. Meyers,  
Absent: None

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **GOOD NEWS**

#### **1. Moody 1st Grader - Ivy Montini-Poneleit**

**Rhonda Danaj, Board President**, introduced Ivy Montini-Poneleit, Moody student, and Eileen Poneleit, Ivy's mother. Ms. Poneleit gave a brief background of Ivy's life with epilepsy. Ms. Danaj presented Ivy with a certificate for her courage and being epilepsy free for three years.

#### **2. Myers Floor Fairies - Travis Pritt**

**Michelle Hodgkinson, Myers Principal**, introduced Travis Pritt, maintenance, and recognized him for all his hard work at Myers Elementary. Mr. Pritt gave a background as to what the floor fairies do and how they motivate the students at Myers to keep their building clean.

#### **3. Recognition of July 2021 - September 2021 Retirees**

**The Board and Superintendent Mills** recognized the July - September 2021 Taylor School District retirees and presented them with a gift and certificate of appreciation.

### **AGENDA-BOARD AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by K. Wright to accept the Agenda.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Yes:</b>	<b>J. Thomas, Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas</b>
	<b>No:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>None</b>
	<b>Yeas: 7</b>	<b>Nays: 0 Carried: 7-0</b>

#### **SCHEDULED REPORTS**

None

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. 2nd Reading of Policy Updates**

**Rhonda Danaj, Board President**, did the 2nd reading for the following updated policies:

- po0100 - Definitions
- po0167.3 - Public Participation at Board Meetings
- po3120 - Employment of Professional Staff
- po6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds
- po6152 - Student Fees, Fines, and Supplies
- po8310 - Public Records
- po8320 - Personnel Files
- po8330 - Student Records

### **2. High School Running Track Bid**

**David Jones, CFO**, presented the RFP High School Running Track Bids. The bid is for the replacement, resurfacing and new lines of the High School Running Track. Bids opened on November 1, 2021 and the district received one bid from Current Surfaces. The district verified that Current Surfaces is compliant with the bid requirements. The bid was for \$179,555.00 and the work would be done in the spring.

Kyle Wright, Board Trustee, asked if we knew how long it would take to complete the project?

Daryl Thomas, Board Treasure, asked if it is a black track?

Jodi Thomas, Board Vice President, asked if we could get another color?

David Jones, CFO, responded that it was not part of the bid so Current Surfaces did not disclose the time frame for the project.

Superintendent Mills stated that it usually takes four to five weeks. As for the color of the track, Mr. Mills stated he will look into the cost of other colors. The bid did come in a little less than expected so the district does have some extra bond money that could be used to cover the cost.

### **3. Request to Hire School Improvement Coordinator**

**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, recommended Elizabeth Biddle for one of the two open School Improvement Coordinator positions. Ms. Biddle is a past employee of the Taylor School District. Mr. Mills gave the following information regarding School Improvement Interviews:

- The district had forty four applicants for the two School Improvement Coordinator positions.
- The list was narrowed down to ten people invited to the interview of which eight accepted.
- The first round interview team consisted of representatives from three of our unions, two principals, three instructional coaches, cabinet members and teachers for a total of eleven people.
- The second round of interviews consisted of an interview with the superintendent.
- The second School Improvement Coordinator recommendation will be on the December 15, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

### **4. Plante Moran Cresa Proposal for Owner Representation Services**

**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, stated that he asked Plante Moran Cresa to attend the Board Meeting and present to the Board for their consideration of becoming the Owners Representatives for the 2021 Bond Program. The Owner's Representative would be appointed to oversee the project and to make sure the district gets the best pricing and quality of work for the project.

**Gregory VanKirk, Plante Moran Cresa Partner, and James Britton, Plante Moran Cresa Senior Consultant**, shared a presentation on the following:

- What is an Owner's Rep
- An overview of their services and capabilities

- Relevant project experience

#### 5. Wayne RESA Computer Consortium Agreement

**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, stated that the Wayne RESA Computer Consortium Agreement is a renewal of a previous agreement the district had with Wayne RESA. The agreement is to provide the district with two programs and the support needed to go along with the programs, MiStar and SMART. MiStar is utilized for our student and parent information, grades, transcripts, etc. and SMART is the district payroll, state reporting, accounts payable, transportation, etc.

### ACTION ITEM

#### 1. 2nd Reading of Policy Updates

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve the following updated policies:

- po0100 - Definitions
- po0167.3 - Public Participation at Board Meetings
- po3120 - Employment of Professional Staff
- po6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds
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**ROLL CALL:**           **Yes:**           **Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas**  
                               **No:**           **None**  
                               **Absent:**       **None**  
                               **Yeas: 7   Nays: 0   Carried: 7-0**

#### 2. High School Running Track/Lines

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to adopt the resolution accepting Bid 21-940 and authorizing the award of contract for the new running track surface and lines for Taylor High School in the amount of \$179,555.00 to Current Surfaces, Inc.

**ROLL CALL:**           **Yes:**           **Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas, Wright**  
                               **No:**           **None**  
                               **Absent:**       **None**  
                               **Yeas: 7   Nays: 0   Carried: 7-0**

#### 3. Request to Hire School Improvement Coordinator

A motion was made by D. Thomas and seconded by D. Meyers to approve the rehiring of Elizabeth Biddle for the position, School Improvement Coordinator.

**ROLL CALL:**           **Yes:**           **Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas, Wright, Block**  
                               **No:**           **None**  
                               **Absent:**       **None**  
                               **Yeas: 7   Nays: 0   Carried: 7-0**

#### 4. Plante Moran Proposal for Owner Representation Services

A motion was made by K. Wright and seconded by D. Thomas to approve Plante Moran Cresa to serve as the district's Owner's Representative for the bond project that passed on November 2, 2021, subject to final negotiations of a contract between Plante Moran Cresa and the district's legal counsel.

**ROLL CALL:**           **Yes:**           **McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas, Wright, Block, Danaj**  
                               **No:**           **None**  
                               **Absent:**       **None**  
                               **Yeas: 7   Nays: 0   Carried: 7-0**

#### **5. Wayne RESA Computer Consortium Agreement**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve the Wayne RESA Computer Consortium for (MISTAR, SMART, Transportation) information systems and internet access.

**ROLL CALL:**      **Yes:**                      **Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas, Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew**  
                         **No:**                              **None**  
                         **Absent:**                      **None**  
                         **Yeas: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7-04**

#### **AGENDA-ADMINISTRATION (District Business)**

##### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, stated that he would like to take a moment and reiterate how terrible and sad today's events are in regards to the Oxford High School incident and that our thoughts and prayers are with all those impacted. Mr. Mills also stated that the district is planning to continue to move forward with training for our students and staff in regards to ALICE training. The district needs to continue to listen and if something doesn't seem right, tell an adult and not post it on social media.

##### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Minutes from the Special Board Meeting of November 17, 2021
2. Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of November 17, 2021
3. Consolidated Items: Payment of Current Bills, Certified, Non-Certified and Administrative Reports.

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by K. Wright to approve the Consent Agenda.

**ROLL CALL:**      **Yes:**                      **D. Thomas, J. Thomas, Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers**  
                         **No:**                              **None**  
                         **Absent:**                      **None**  
                         **Yeas: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7-0**

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT AGENDA (WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2021)**

1. Good News

##### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

##### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

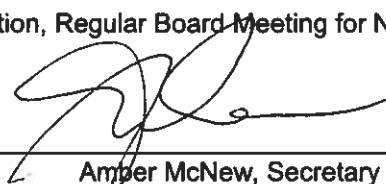
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##### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to adjourn the meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**      **Yes:**                      **Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. Thomas**  
                         **No:**                              **None**  
                         **Absent:**                      **None**  
                         **Yeas: 7    Nays: 0    Carried: 7-0**

The Taylor School District Board of Education, Regular Board Meeting for November 30, 2021 adjourned at 6:56 pm.

  
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Amber McNew, Secretary