

## **Board of Education**

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

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

February 16, 2022

### **OPENING ITEMS**

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.**

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** J. Thomas, K. Wright, A. Block, R. Danaj, A. McNew, D. Meyers, D. Thomas

**Absent:** None

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE**

### **GOOD NEWS**

- 1. Student Representative - Randall Elementary**  
**Cynthia Meszaros, Principal, and Kelly Szwed, Teacher**, introduced the Randall Elementary Safety and Service Squad and student AJ Lada which gave a brief overview of the AAA Safety and Service Patrol and what is expected of them.
- 2. Snow Removal Challenge**  
**Cathy Smith, CTE Teacher, and Jeffrey Morrow, CTE Teacher**, recognized the CTE students for their help in removing snow for our seniors.
- 3. Special Olympics Day**  
**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, announced the Taylor School District Special Olympics Day will be on Friday, May 20, 2022 at the old Kennedy High School. More information to follow.

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

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

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by J. Thomas to accept the Agenda.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>Yes:</b>	<b>Wright, Block, Danaj, McNew, Meyers, D. Thomas, J. 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**

### **Parent and Community Update**

**Bridget Jarvis, Parent and Community Liaison**, shared a presentation regarding the following:

- McKinney-Vento/Foster Care
- Family Resource Center
- Community Partnerships
- Other Updates and Projects
  - Fresh Food Initiative
  - Shh! (Santa Helps High Schoolers)
  - Laundry Assistance Program
  - Identifying New Partner Possibilities
  - Expanding Mental Health Resources
  - Donations

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. 2nd Reading and Adoption of Policy 2340 - Field and Other District Sponsored Trips**

**Rhonda Danaj, Board President**, did the 2nd reading of the revised policy 2340 - Field and Other District Sponsored Trips.

**Superintendent Mills** thanked the Board for revising the above policy so field trips can be approved in emergency situations.

### **2. MASB Board of Directors Region 8 Candidate**

**Rhonda Danaj, Board President**, reviewed the four Region 8 candidates: Melandie Hines, Darlene Pomponio, Angie Smith and Michael Swiecki. Ms. Danaj asked if any Board Members had any recommendations.

**Ann Block, Board Trustee**, stated that she would like to recommend Darlene Pomponio.

**Rhonda Danaj** agreed with the recommendation and asked if there were any disagreements. There were no disagreements.

### **3. Sex Education and Reproductive Health**

**Jacob Anastasoff, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum**, reviewed the curriculum for the Sex Education and Reproductive Health 5th and 7th Grade students which included:

- Sex Education Advisory Board - Planning
- Sex Education Advisory Board
- Proposed Curriculum

**Kyle Wright, Board Trustee**, asked if the abstinence only was a state requirement or a district requirement?

**Jacob Anastasoff** replied that the district is offering abstinence based and it is a district policy.

### **4. Overnight Field Trip Request - DECA State Competition - Detroit, MI - March 10-12, 2022**

**Ashley McKenzie, Teacher**, gave a brief description of the DECA State Competition field trip and stated the chaperones attending.

**Kyle Wright, Board Trustee**, stated that this field trip is a great event for our students.

**Superintendent Mills** thanked Ms. McKenzie for supporting our students and taking them to the DECA State Competition.

5. **Out of State Field Trip Request - Eureka Heights Elementary - Imagination Station - Toledo, OH - March 1, 2022**  
Lori Bell, Teacher, gave a brief description of the Imagination Station field trip.
6. **February - June 2022 Advance Authorization to Hire**  
Griff Mills, Superintendent, stated that the district is asking for a change to the advance authorization to include non union positions which will include security guard positions through June 30, 2022.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

**1. 2nd Reading and Adoption of Policy 2340 - Field and Other District Sponsored Trips**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve the adoption of the revised policy 2340 - Field and Other District Sponsored Trips.

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

**2. MASB Board of Directors Region 8 Candidate**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve Darlene Pomponio as the districts choice for the MASB Board of Directors Region 8 Candidate.

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

**3. Sex Education and Reproductive Health**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve the Sex Education and Reproductive Health Curriculum.

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

**4. Overnight Field Trip Request - DECA State Competition**

A motion was made by A. Block and seconded by K. Wright to approve the following Overnight Field Trip Request:

- DECA State Competition - Detroit, MI - March 10-12, 2022

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

**5. Out of State Field Trip Request - Eureka Heights Elementary - Imagination Station**

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by D. Thomas to approve the following Out of State Field Trip Request:

- Eureka Heights Elementary - Imagination Station - Toledo, OH - March 1, 2022

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

#### **6. February - June Advance Authorization to Hire**

A motion was made by K. Wright and seconded by J. Thomas to approve the advance authorization to hire personnel for vacant positions. Individuals hired under the advance authorization will be placed on the next Regular Board Agenda. Advance Authorization will be used for all current positions through June 30, 2022.

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

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

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

**Griff Mills, Superintendent**, gave the following update regarding mask mandates:

- The Wayne County Health Department is anticipating removing the mask mandate for schools on or before February 28, 2022.
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services released that they are removing the "strongly recommended" from their language.
- There is still a federal directive to wear masks on public transportation.

##### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of February 9, 2022
2. Consolidated Items: Payment of Current Bills, Certified, Non-Certified and Administrative Reports.

A motion was made by D. Meyers and seconded by J. Thomas to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

#### **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT AGENDA (WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2022)**

1. Good News

##### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Jennifer Ferguson-Berringer, parent**, thanked the Board for recognizing the kids. Ms. Ferguson-Berringer asked the Board to please take all information into consideration before lifting the mask mandate.

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

**Kyle Wright, Board Trustee**, thanked the Randall families for coming tonight and the staff that came to support them. He also congratulated the 10 DECA students that are going to states, great accomplishment.

**Amber McNew, Board Secretary**, thanked Bridget for being so passionate about the program and for keeping the privacy of families.

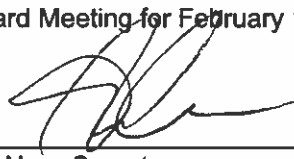
**Rhonda Danaj, Board President**, thanked New Hope Assembly, Northline Church, Pastor Nesly, Pastor Ryan and Councilwoman Angie Winton for the donation of masks.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

The Taylor School District Board of Education, Regular Board Meeting for February 16, 2022 adjourned at 6:49 pm.



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Amber McNew, Secretary