

**MT. PLEASANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 6, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on January 6, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Kinney Conference Room, 720 N. Kinney Ave., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Board Members Present:

Tim Odykirk, President; Amy Bond, Vice-President; John Mozurkewich, Secretary; Beth Sorenson Prince, Trustee; Sheila Murphy, Trustee; Courtney Stegman, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Brandon McQueen, Treasurer

Administration Present:

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger, Asst. Superintendent Linda Boyd, Chief Financial Officer Ginger Faber, M.S. Principal Darby Weaver

Guests:

Debra Ervin, Patrick Heitman, Jonathan Korpi, Courtney Johnson, Officer Mike Covarrubias, Ratu Zurman, Student Guardian

CALL TO ORDER

President Tim Odykirk called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

John Mozurkewich called the roll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by general consent.

CITIZENS REQUEST TO ADDRESS BOARD

Jonathan Korpi, Mt. Pleasant resident, addressed the Board of Education members regarding the substitute teacher compensation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2019, Regular Meeting, John Mozurkewich seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

Init. _____

NEW BUSINESS

Ganiard Grants Activity Account

John Mozurkewich moved to approve the creation of a Ganiard Grants Activity Account, as presented. Amy Bond seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

Donation – GI-TEC

Beth Sorenson Prince moved to accept the donation of a 2002 Buick Century, from Thomas Masterson, to the GI-TEC Automotive Technology Program, as presented. Amy Bond seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

REPORTS/UPDATES

School Board Recognition Month

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger presented Board Members with a Certificate of Appreciation and expressed her gratitude to the Board Members for their time, dedication and commitment to the District.

Hartley Outdoor Education Center, McGuire 3rd Grade

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger shared that she has approved the McGuire 3rd graders to attend the Hartley Outdoor Education Center in St. Charles, Michigan in March.

MPMS – Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS)

Darby Weaver, Middle School Principal, presented information regarding the PBIS program at the Middle School. The program is helping students develop social and emotional skills and is very easy to follow. The students seem to be taking it seriously and are engaged when in the program. Restorative Practices are in place with two Behavior Interventionists in place. Ms. Weaver also shared statistics regarding the number of students involved, the number of incidents and referral slips. Questions and answers followed the presentation.

PSC Monthly Update

Asst. Superintendent Linda Boyd presented the PSC monthly update.

Budget Conversation

CFO Ginger Faber led the budget conversation. She indicated that cash flow has been very tight lately. A few events play into this – the timing of state aid, the Scenario 6 payments and tax revenue. Discussion followed. Under the direction of the BOE, Ms. Faber will look into possibly obtaining a line of credit for the school district to assist during these times in the future.

Superintendent Evaluation Goals and Timeline

Ms. Verleger shared her Evaluation Timeline. Discussion followed.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION

Tim Odykirk shared that the MASB Winter Institute will take place in Lansing Feb. 21st – Feb. 23rd. If a Board Member is interested in attending, please speak with Deb Ervin very soon to make arrangements.

STUDENT HEARING - #S2 – 2019/20

Pursuant to the Request for Closed Meeting from the guardian of **Student #S2 – 2019/20**, Sheila Murphy moved to enter into Closed Session. John Mozurkewich seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Beth Sorenson Prince, Courtney Stegman

NAYES: None

Init. _____

Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote. The Board of Education entered into Closed Session at 7:20 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION: 7:20 p.m. – 8:02 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Sheila Murphy moved to enter into Open Session. Beth Sorenson Prince seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Beth Sorenson Prince, Courtney Stegman

NAYES: None

Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote. The Board of Education entered into Open Session at 8:02 p.m.

Sheila Murphy moved to permanently expel Student #S2 – 2019/20 for 180 school days with the right to petition the school board for possible re-enrollment after 150 school days. John Mozurkewich seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote. Policy #5610 was referenced and Superintendent Jennifer Verleger referenced and completed the Section 1310d Disciplinary Factors form.

Sheila Murphy moved to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of receiving a negotiation update. John Mozurkewich seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Beth Sorenson Prince, Courtney Stegman

NAYES: None

Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote. The Board of Education entered into Closed Session at 8:04 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION: 8:03 p.m. – 8:32 p.m.

Sheila Murphy moved to enter into Open Session. Beth Prince Sorenson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Beth Sorenson Prince, Courtney Stegman

NAYES: None

Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote. The Board of Education entered into Open Session at 8:32 p.m.

Init. _____

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m. by general consent.

APPROVED:

Secretary, Board of Education

Recording Secretary

Init. _____