

**MT. PLEASANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 2, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on November 2, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, <https://zoom.us/j/92254782525>

**Board Members Present:**

Tim Odykirk, President; Amy Bond, Vice-President; John Mozurkewich, Secretary; Wiline Pangle, Trustee; Sheila Murphy, Trustee

**Board Members Absent:**

Brandon McQueen, Treasurer; Courtney Stegman, Trustee

**Administration Present:**

Panelists: Superintendent Jennifer Verleger, Asst. Superintendent Linda Boyd, Chief Financial Officer Ginger Faber, MPCE Director Kim Funnell, Facilities Management Director Josh Rhodes

**Guests:**

Panelists: Debra Ervin, Holly Ploch, Rich Klemm. The following are names provided via their Zoom identity: Tracy McDonald, Courtney Russell, Lisa Robbins, Tyler Morkin, Angela Skonieczny, Josh Ayerdi, Dr. Riley Justis, Lisa Auken, Chelsea Plevinski, Stefanie, Amy Weber, Heather Allen, Laurie, Susan Renaud, Stacey Starr, Erin King, Daelyn Woolnough, Christie Brennan, Quana Hoffman, Eric, April Scott, James, Stephanie Hall, Jamie Cartier, Margarita Wilson, Shannon, rshilman, Kathleen Sheahan-Stahl, Dan Weber, Miss Pat, Kelsey Brewer, Mary Melaragno, Andra, Melissa Haggart, Sara McGill, K Struck, Katarina, Chelsea Oullette, Tyler Morkin, Nikki Schlicht, Laura Gourlay

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Tim Odykirk called the meeting to order at 6:30 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.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Board Minutes**

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2020 Regular Meeting. Amy Bond seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 5 - 0 vote.

**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**New Hire – Administrator**

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the employment of Erin King as Principal at McGuire Elementary School for the 2020-21 school year at Step 2 of the Mt. Pleasant Administrator Association pay scale, as presented by administration. Amy Bond seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

**New Hire – Certified Staff**

John Mozurkewich moved to approve the employment of Louis Vajda as a Music (Orchestra-Band) teacher at Mt. Pleasant Middle and High School for the 2020-21 school year at Step 2 of the MPEA pay BA scale, as presented by administration. Sheila Murphy seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

**Student Discipline Recommendation - #S1 – 2020-21**

John Mozurkewich moved to approve a change of academic placement for Student #S1 - 2020-21 to the Oilers Online Program, effective immediately and through the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester, March 5, 2020, while encouraging the family to seek support from school counselors and personnel, including tutoring. Further, that should Student #S1 - 2020-21 wish to return to the face to face program, he/she must meet with the Student Reinstatement Committee to review his/her academic progress. Sheila Murphy seconded the motion. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was taken.

**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

**Resolution – Changes to the Open Meetings Act**

Wiline Pangle moved to adopt the Resolution Regarding Changes to the Open Meeting Act as presented. John Mozurkewich seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

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**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

### **Donation – SCIT Employees**

Sheila Murphy moved to accept the donation of \$280.00 from the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe to be used to assist in paying off negative student lunch balances, as presented. Wiline Pangle seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

**AYES:** Amy Bond, John Mozurkewich, Sheila Murphy, Wiline Pangle, Tim Odykirk

**NAYES:** None

Motion passed unanimously with a 5 – 0 vote.

## **REPORTS/UPDATES**

### **Maintenance Annual Report**

Josh Rhodes, Facilities Management Director, presented the 2020-21 Facilities update. His report included, but was not limited to; Capital resources, maintenance staff, work order requests, preventative maintenance, contracted services, summer 2020 construction, current focuses, and COVID-19 and the facility airflow. Questions and answers followed his presentation.

### **Mt. Pleasant Community Education (MPCE)**

Kim Funnell, Director of MPCE, presented the annual MPCE report. Her report included, but was not limited to; programs and locations, staff, adult education program offerings, partnering with Michigan Works and the Dept. of Labor & Economic Opportunity, Free Tuition for Essential Workers, regional collaboration, and the new enrollment process. Discussion followed the presentation.

### **WAY Program**

WAY Program Kim Funnell introduced WAY Executive Director Rich Klemm and WAY Regional Team Leader Holly Ploch. Ms. Ploch shared the Summer 2020 highlights; also the Fall 2020 highlights stating that enrollment is currently at 116 students with a wait list of 6 students and that 1 student has recently graduated with 8 students on track to graduate by the end of December and 15 students by the end of the 2020/21 school year. Ms. Ploch also shared the Intervention Data which included projects submitted, credits earned, HERO logins and lab hours attended. Questions and answers followed the presentation.

### **McKinney-Vento Presentation**

Kim Funnell, MPPS Homeless Liaison, shared the annual report with the Board of Education. Together with the history of the McKinney-Vento Act, Ms. Funnell shared how youth are identified as homeless, the warning signs and possible educational barriers. Ms. Funnell stated that we had a decrease in identified homeless students last year (94 compared to 157 in 2018/19) and she shared facts regarding homeless student nighttime residence. Questions and answers followed the presentation.

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**NEOLA Policies – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Assistant Superintendent Linda Boyd presented the following policies for the first reading. They will be brought before the Board of Education for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and possible adoption at the November 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

5610 – Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students – Revised

5611 – Due Process Rights – Revised

7440 – Security and Video Surveillance – Revised

**PSC Monthly Update**

Assistant Superintendent Linda Boyd presented the monthly update regarding PSC happenings.

**2021 Board of Education Appointments Description of Responsibility**

President Tim Odykirk shared the 2021 Board of Education Appointments Description of Responsibility with the Board Members. He asked that they review the document and considering which positions that they may be interested in being appointed to at our Organizational Meeting that will be held on January 4, 2021.

**CITIZENS REQUEST TO ADDRESS BOARD**

There were no requests to address the Board of Education.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION**

Trustee Wiline Pangle asked when we may be discussing the possibility of Wednesday's becoming virtual days at the DK-5 level.

President Tim Odykirk reminded the public that November 3<sup>rd</sup> is election day and that there is no school for the students, but professional development for staff members.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by general consent.

**APPROVED:**

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**Secretary, Board of Education**

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**Recording Secretary**

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