

MT. PLEASANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting Minutes – December 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on December 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Kinney Conference Room, 720 N. Kinney Avenue, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Board Members Present:

Amy Bond, President; Tim Odykirk, Vice-President; Sheila Murphy, Treasurer; Dana Calkins, Trustee; Jessica Jernigan, Trustee; Wiline Pangle, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Courtney Stegman, Secretary

Administration Present:

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger, Asst. Superintendent Linda Boyd, Chief Financial Officer Ginger Faber, Mt. Pleasant Middle School Principal Darby Weaver; Mt. Pleasant Middle School Assistant Principal Matt Walderzak; Mt. Pleasant High School Principal John Winkler; GI-Tec Director Mary Kay Voeks

Guests:

Pat Onstott, Joe Judge, Delayne Schutt, Kelly Funtain, Gabby Moutsatson, Rowan Frost, Logan Loya, Breanne Moegganberg, Rick Ervin, Erin White, Neven White, Millie Finney, Ken White, Tamara Moutsatson, Michael Moutsatson, Daelyn Zanatha, Heather Trommer-Beardsley, Jessica Lapp, Pat Heitman, Beth McClain, Landon Mars, Judy Idema, Linda Richardson, Ken Schafer, Charlie Lux, Mindi Lux

CALL TO ORDER

President Amy Bond called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

President Amy Bond read the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

Tim Odykirk called the roll.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by general consent.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

There was not a Student Representative Report.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

School Safety

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger turned the floor over to Mt. Pleasant Middle School Principal Darby Weaver, Mt. Pleasant Middle School Assistant Principal Matt Walderzak, and Mt. Pleasant High School Principal John Winkler for PowerPoint presentations and explanation regarding School Safety, the teams currently in existence at each building and how the recent threats at each building were handled. Questions and answers followed the presentations.

2022 Board of Education Appointments/Description of Responsibilities

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger reviewed the Board of Education Appointments/Description of Responsibilities.

Board Member Norms

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger reviewed the Board Member Norms as presented at the November 15, 2021, Board of Education Meeting.

2022 Regular Board Meeting Dates

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger reviewed the 2022 Regular Board Meeting Dates.

Covid Update

Superintendent Jennifer Verleger provided a COVID update with a PowerPoint presentation. Numbers in our district seem to be plateauing; however, on the high side.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chief Financial Officer Ginger Faber presented the general fund revenue and expenditure comparison report for the month ending November, 2021 and 2020, the Treasurer's Report and the 2016 Capital Projects Fund Report. Questions and answers followed her presentation.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board of Education reported receiving correspondence from Ryan Douglas, Bree Moeggenberg, Xantha Karp and Jenny Martin.

CITIZENS REQUEST TO ADDRESS BOARD

The following people addressed the Board of Education: Gabby Moutsatson, Bree Moeggenberg, Logan Loya, Rowan Frost, Neven White, Eric Beckman, Jessica Lapp, Judy Idema

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes & Financials

Tim Odykirk moved to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021, regular meeting and the bills payable from November 12, 2021, through December 9, 2021, amounting to \$847,408.02. Dana Calkins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 6 - 0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Field Trip

Sheila Murphy moved to approve the field trip request for the MPHS Physics Class to go to Cedar Point in May, 2022. Jessica Jernigan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 - 0 vote.

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Resignation

Jessica Jernigan moved to approve the resignation of **Katelyn Wirick**, Special Education teacher at Mt. Pleasant Middle School, effective December 31, 2021, with regret and much appreciation. Sheila Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

New Hire

Wiline Pangle moved to approve the employment of the following individuals, as presented: **Stephanie Hoyt**, Special Education teacher at McGuire Elementary, at step 1 of the MPEA pay B.A. level pay scale for the 2021-2022 school year; **Lily Reyes**, elementary music teacher, at step 1 of the MPEA pay B.A. level pay scale for the 2021-2022 school year. Jessica Jernigan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

MPEA LOA

Wiline Pangle moved to accept the Letter of Agreement for a 3% pay increase for the Mt. Pleasant Education Association, as presented by Administration. Dana Calkins seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Dana Calkins, Jessica Jernigan, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Wiline Pangle

NAYES: None

MPAA LOA

Wiline Pangle moved to accept the Letter of Agreement for a 3% pay increase for the Mt. Pleasant Administrators Association, as presented by Administration. Sheila Murphy seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Dana Calkins, Jessica Jernigan, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Wiline Pangle

NAYES: None

MPSPA LOA

Jessica Jernigan moved to accept the Letter of Agreement for a 3% pay increase for the Mt. Pleasant Support Personnel Association, as presented by Administration. Wiline Pangle seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Dana Calkins, Jessica Jernigan, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Wiline Pangle

NAYES: None

MPCEA LOA

Dana Calkins moved to accept the Letter of Agreement for a 3% pay increase for the Mt. Pleasant Community Education Association, as presented by Administration. Wiline Pangle seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Dana Calkins, Jessica Jernigan, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Wiline Pangle

NAYES: None

MPTA LOA

Dana Calkins moved to accept the Letter of Agreement for a 3% pay increase for the Mt. Pleasant Transportation Association, as presented by Administration. Wiline Pangle seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Amy Bond, Dana Calkins, Jessica Jernigan, Sheila Murphy, Tim Odykirk,
Wiline Pangle

NAYES: None

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Donation

Sheila Murphy moved to accept the donation of \$5,000.00 from Michael Engineering for robotic supplies and the donation from Todd Schorle in the amount of \$4,093.34 for belts and tools in the Construction Trades Program at GI-TEC Center. Tim Odykirk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

New Grant Activity

Wiline Pangle moved to accept the Michael Tuma Memorial-GITEC Culinary Arts Program grant along with grants for Vowles, Pullen, McGuire, and GI-TEC as presented by CFO Ginger Faber. Tim Odykirk seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

NEOLA Bylaws and Policies – 2nd Reading

Jessica Jernigan moved to accept the NEOLA Bylaws & Policies as presented. Wiline Pangle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a 6 – 0 vote.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION

Wiline Pangle thanked the students for coming to the meeting this evening.

Tim Odykirk thanked the staff of Mt. Pleasant Public School for their efforts to keep the students safe during the recent threats and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. by general consent.

APPROVED:

Secretary, Board of Education

Recording Secretary

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