

MINUTES
HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 18, 2021

Members Present: Baltensperger (via remote participation), Christopherson (via remote participation), Fay (via remote participation), Foltz (via remote participation), Leonard (via remote participation), Massaway (via remote participation), Burns (via remote participation)

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Administrators Kramer (via remote participation), Filpus (via remote participation), Klein (via remote participation), Hill (via remote participation), Sanregret (via remote participation), Marcotte (via remote participation), Turnquist, (via remote participation); Colette Patchin (via remote participation)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Mr. Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Recognition

Board members were recognized for their service as part of Board Member Appreciation Month.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the minutes of the December 14, 2020 regular Board meeting, and the December financial statements and bills in the amount of \$253,167.73. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Administrative Reports

Ms. Kramer gave a Covid19 report. Mrs. Turnquist gave a report on food services. Mr. Hill, Ms. Filpus and Mr. Klein reported on events occurring in their buildings. Mr. Sanregret provided a report on athletics.

6. MASA/MASB/CCASB Reports

There was no MASB, MASA or CCASB report.

7. Discussion Items

1) Officers and Committee Assignments

A discussion took place as to how officers are chosen and what the duties of each office are.

2) New School Improvement Platform - Michigan Integrated Continuous Improvement Process (MICIP)

Ms. Kramer led a discussion about MICIP.

3) Extension of Paid Leave Provisions of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)

Ms. Kramer led a discussion on FFCRA.

8. Action Items

1) Resolution to Approve the Monthly Covid19 Instructional Delivery Method

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Baltensperger moved that the Board approve the Covid19 instructional delivery method. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Approval of By-Laws

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the By-Laws from Section 0000 of the Policy Manual. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Election of Officers

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board elect Mr. Christopherson as president, Mrs. Massaway as vice president Mr. Foltz as secretary and Mr. Fay as treasurer. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Baltensperger, Burns, Foltz, Fay, Leonard, Christopherson, Massaway; Nays: none.

4) Resolution Fixing Time, Date and Place of Monthly Meetings

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the schedule for monthly meetings on February 17, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 8, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, December 14, January 18, to begin at 6:00 p.m. and the meetings to be held in the Houghton High School Board Room. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Burns, Foltz, Fay, Leonard, Christopherson, Massaway, Baltensperger; Nays: none.

5) Bank Signature Authorization

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board authorize their officers Mr. Christopherson, Mrs. Massaway, Mr. Foltz and Mr. Fay to sign checks. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Burns, Foltz, Fay, Leonard, Christopherson, Massaway, Baltensperger; Nays: none.

6) Approve JV Football Coaches

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the board approve the hiring of Brent Burns as the head JV Football coach and Mike Hainault as assistant JV Football coach. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Burns, Foltz, Fay, Leonard, Christopherson, Massaway, Baltensperger; Nays: none.

7) Resolution to Accept the Extension of Families First Coronavirus Response Act through March 31, 2021

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board accept the extension of Families First Coronavirus Response Act through March 31, 2021. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Burns, Foltz, Fay, Leonard, Christopherson, Massaway, Baltensperger; Nays: none.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Christopherson with support from Mrs. Massaway moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Foltz adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Patchin, Acting Secretary

Philip T. Foltz, Board Secretary