

**ONTONAGON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
5:30 PM, Monday, April 15, 2024  
701 Parker Avenue, Ontonagon, MI 49953  
Ontonagon Area School Library**

**CALL TO ORDER**        A regular meeting of the Ontonagon Area Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 PM by President, Natalie Morgan, in the Ontonagon Area School Library, Ontonagon, Michigan on Monday, April 15, 2024. Present – Nancy Mattson, Natalie Morgan, Josh Yaklyvich, Bill Wood, Carl Lockhart and Pat Tucker. Absent: Tanya Weisinger

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**        The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**        Wood made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to accept the agenda. All voting AYE, motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES**                Mattson made a motion, supported by Lockhart, to accept the minutes as presented. All voting AYE, motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**                Tucker made a motion, supported by Wood, to acknowledge the March/April General Fund invoices in the amount of \$70,029.92. AYE: Morgan, Yaklyvich, Lockhart, Wood, Mattson, Tucker. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

Mattson made a motion, supported by Wood, to approve the April General Fund invoices in the amount of \$42,889.76. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson, Weisinger. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**                None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**                 None.

GOISD BUDGET

Recommend that the Board approve the Gogebic-Ontonagon Intermediate School District General Education 2024-2025 Proposed Budget. Mattson made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

FACILITIES PROJECT

Recommend that the Board approved Pearson Asbestos Abatement Quote of \$5,475.00 for the cafeteria windows and entrance doors of the school lead paint barrier. Tucker made a motion, supported by Wood. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

OVERNIGHT TRIP REQUEST

Recommend that the Board approve the overnight trip from Glen Beck to take students to the following Robotics competition: April 16-April 21, 2024, Houston, Texas – Worlds Championship. Mattson made a motion, supported by Tucker. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

MATHEMATICS TEXTBOOKS

Recommend that the Board approve the purchase of Mathematics textbooks for a total cost of \$43,931.77. Mattson made a motion, supported by Yaklyvich. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

STAFFING RESIGNATION / ADMINISTRATION

Recommend the Board accept Elizabeth Leach, Principal, resignation effective March 29, 2024. Tucker made a motion to accept with regret, supported by Yaklyvich. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

## STAFFING HIRING / EXTRA CURRICULAR

Recommend that the Board hire Kadin Mustafa, as the Varsity Football coach for the 2024-25 school year. Tucker made a motion, supported by Mattson. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried.

Recommend that the Board hire Brian Amos, as the JV Football coach for the 2024-25 school year. Tucker made a motion, supported by Wood. AYE: Yaklyvich, Wood, Lockhart, Morgan, Tucker, Mattson. NAY: None. ABSENT: Weisinger. Motion carried

## REPORTS

The Operations Committee met on April 11, 2024 to discuss summer lawn mowing, lead removal work, accounting software, 2023-24 Budget Reallocations and 2024-2025 school year Budget work.

Ms. Johnson reported -

- Facilities Updates-track painting is scheduled to be finished this week. Boiler is currently running with a broken part, part on order will take 6 weeks to arrive (sinking fund eligible).
- Education Updates-Working on the STEM Curriculum pathway. 12<sup>th</sup> grade math recommendations will be coming.
- Secondary teachers for PD working on course overviews.
- 35J Grant Update: working with Lexia to bring forward Letrs and Aspire for disciplinary literacy. Grant will pay for the majority of the PD next year.
- Great Start/4K Program-contract is still with legal at this time, ISD working to finalize this.
- Budget for 2024-25 year—Shared budget memo with the board from MDE.

Mr. Uotila reported -

- Behavior issues are "normal" for this time of the school year.
- Holding behavior team meetings, changing from the point system going forward.
- Fab Lab training is needed, needs support/coaching from the ISD.
- Testing is going well with Lindsey Kalla helping out.
- Counselors from Camp Nesbit have been selected.
- Robotics Team—kids put in extra time where/when needed.
- Students have been helping Bob Clark with track/bleacher clean up.
- Attendance: Now seeing a significant progress since Truancy Officer was on site; will follow up on others as needed.
- New National Honor Society students were inducted.

KUDOS /THANK YOU

Kudos to the Robotics Team and Coaches.

Kudos to Lindsey Kalla for assisting with the testing.

Kudos to the Lindsey Kalla and Jodi Store for setting up the NHS background.

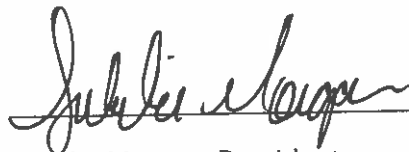
Kudos for a great job during the Kindergarten Round UP.

Thank you to Strong Dental for the K-5 Dental Program.

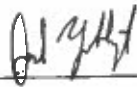
Thank you to the bus drivers.

ADJOURN

Tucker made a motion, supported by Wood to adjourn at 6:40 PM.  
All voting AYE, motion carried.



Natalie Morgan, President



Josh Yaklyvich, Secretary