

MANCELONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 18, 2023

Present: Ackler, Clark, Musselman, Derrer, Thompson
Absent: MacQuarrie, Ross

Central Office Staff: DiRosa, Phillips, Meeder

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Middle School Media Center

Approval of Agenda

Derrer/Musselman approve the agenda as presented

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Citizens Comments - None

Consent Agenda

Musselman/Ross to approve the Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Minutes of the regular meeting held on March 14, 2023**
- B. Monthly Finance: Approve Accounts Payable checks for the following dates and amounts: GENERAL FUND: 3/14/2023 - \$193,422.92; 3/28/2023 - \$68,543.04; 4/11/2023 - \$236,314.27 2023 Bond: 3/16/2023 - \$150,973.45; 4/11/2023 - \$65,215.00 SINKING FUND: 3/28/2023 - \$494.00**
- C. Accept the recommendation to hire Enos Bacon as the high school golf coach**
- D. Accept the recommendation to hire Chris Garzella as the high school Woods teacher starting 2023-24 school year.**
- E. Accept the recommendation to hire Allison Osborn-Areeda as a high school English teacher**
- F. Accept the recommendation to hire Brittany Cornell as 5th/6th middle school special education teacher**
- G. Accept the letter of resignation from Deb Heuss as an elementary teacher**
- H. Change the May meeting to May 16, 2023.**

YES: 5
NO: 0
Motion carried.

Superintendent Jeffery DiRosa welcomed Brittany Cornell to the Ironmen family. Mr. DiRosa congratulated Deb Heuss on her retirement and thanked her for her 19 1/2 years of service to the district.

Communities in Schools of NWMI: Amy Burk stated she has submitted the application for the 5 year 21st Century Grant, the current grant ends May 30, 2023. Summer programs begins on June 19, 2023 and runs through August 3, 2023. The first annual Mother/Son dance will be held on May 5, 2023 at the high school. CIS collaborated with Power Books and were able to distribute books to every child in the elementary school. The middle school wellness team is planning a school wide soccer tournament. The high school students will tour East Jordan Ironworks in April. May 10, 2023 a career fair will be held at the high school. Burt Thompson asked what are the chances of receiving the grant. Ms. Burk stated there are 45 sites and only 9 will receive the funding.

Principal's report: Tina Frollo stated Deb Heuss organized a lunch for the Safety Patrol students. Star students were recognized with treats made by Lindsey Newland, Food Service Director. Mrs. Frollo thanked Melanie Griffore and Rachel Davis for scheduling grades 3 and 4 MSTEP testing which will begin on Monday, April 24, 2023. The 4th grade students will start the transition to the middle school going into 5th grade. All 4th grade students will be fitted for instruments. Preschool, GSRP and Strong Beginnings along with the parents will walk through the building to get familiar with the bus process, cafeteria lines and the playground. Mrs. Frollo announced upcoming events, Jog-A-Thon, grade level field trips and growing up talks. Enos Bacon stated enrollment at the middle school is 229. Mr. Bacon announced teachers will be participating in CPI professional development, a focus on de-escalation. Field trips and celebrations are in progress. Matt Smith has organized the Tall Ships field trips to take place in May. CIS is planning an end of year Soccer tournament. PSAT testing is underway, 8th grade students worked hard and put in a really good effort. Mr. Bacon stated Brittany Cornell, the new special education teacher, is a rock star and sees good things to come. Trent Naumcheff stated Allison Osborn-Areeda is working in the district. Chris Garzella worked on the woodshop room over spring break, he will start his position in the fall. Mr. Naumcheff indicated he is close to hiring an English and Science teacher. Next year's schedule should have great elective offerings. There are approximately 100 students participating in sports. Approximately 5 students will be participating in the CIS summer program to complete graduation requirements. Prom will be held on May 13, 2023, Code of Conduct rules still stand for attending. Burt Thompson asked how many in this year's graduating class. Mr. Naumcheff replied 66. Brian Sheridan stated last year Community Day was a success, this year it will be scheduled for either May 6th or 7th. Students will start their day with breakfast and work with community businesses until noon. After lunch students will participate in fun activities. Mr. Sheridan stated they are looking for community projects, possibly the road commission or parks and recreation.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. DiRosa announced a tentative teacher agreement has been reached for the 24-25 school year and it will be on the May agenda along with the school calendar. Mr. DiRosa stated bid pack 2 of the bond is on today's agenda. Coming in July bid 3, Athletics, bid 4 middle school and bid 5 for the high school. The state budget is behind with hopes to be complete by June 30th. We will be applying for a Forgiven Time Waiver within the next week asking for 2 additional days.

Citizens Comments on Action Items: None

Action Items

Resolution to consider Designation of Electoral Representative: Mr. DiRosa stated we need to designate a representative and an alternate for the ISD June election, Tom Ross volunteered.

Musselman/Ackler to approve Tom Ross as the representative and Gerald Clark as an Alternate

Yes: 5

No: 0

Motion Carried

Approve the Sex Education Curriculum: Mr. DiRosa stated this curriculum has been presented to the board twice and recommends the board approve.

Ackler/Clark Yes: 5
 No: 0
 Motion Carried

Approve the Sex Education Committee with term lengths: Mr. DiRosa stated Tina Frolo has been working with this committee and he recommends the board approve.

Derrer/Ackler Yes: 5
 No: 0
 Motion Carried

Approve retention bonus: Mr. DiRosa stated the bus drivers', secretaries' and assistants' retention bonus has been approved, this one is for the non-union staff.

Derrer/Musselman Yes: 5
 No: 0
 Motion Carried

Approve bid pack 2: Scott Jernberg and Jack Wallen from Triangle introduced themselves and presented on the bid package 2. Scott stated they were a little behind schedule on receiving bids for package 2 however, they will allow 16-18 days for future bids. Burt Thompson stated it is very important that we have a 3-week window to receive bids. Scott confirmed it would be 3 weeks. Mr. DiRosa thanked Mr. Jernberg and Mr. Wallen for taking the time to present to the board. Mr. Jernberg stated he will be presenting on the upcoming budget on the athletic package next week.

Clark/Ackler Yes: 5
 No: 0

Items for Future Consideration: None

Adjournment

Derrer/Clark Adjourn 5:22
 Yes: 5
 No: 0
 Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,


Laurie Phillips, Recording Secretary


Kim Musselman, Secretary