

**Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
March 18, 2019
(Approved Minutes)**

President Tate called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Laker High School Room 205. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Matt Horton, Heath Krohn, Dana Reiter, Todd Tate, Tyler Williams, Mary Frances Tait and Student Representative Abi Schuette.

Members Absent: Paul Scadden

Approval of Regular Minutes Tait moved with support from Krohn to approve the minutes dated February 18, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Krohn reported bills to be paid for March 2018 totals to be: General Fund bills, \$86,857.95; 2018 Capital Projects, \$29,593.00; Food Service bills, \$5,309.74; Payroll/Liabilities :(Food Service to General Fund), \$17,547.26; Sinking Fund, \$22,829.71; Tech Bond Capital Projects, \$67,497.75. Krohn moved to approve the Treasurer's report as presented with support from Reiter. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Tait moved with support from Reiter to approve the Consent Agenda with the addition under Personnel between #2 and #3 "Martha Walsh". Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation Ample time was allotted with indication from Friends of EPBP to address the Board at this time. Friends of EPBP presented the Board a check for \$1,558.00 in which they expressed they would like the money used for the Scheurer Clinic in the school.

Personnel Superintendent Keim updated the Board on recent personnel happenings. Tait moved with support from Williams to accept Kathy Dickens resignation from the position of Principal with regret and approve her transition to part-time grant writer for Laker Schools. Motion passed unanimously. Tait moved with support from Horton to accept Josh Fritch's resignation effective the end of the school year. Motion passed unanimously. Tait moved with support from Reiter to accept Martha Walsh's resignation with much regret. Motion passed unanimously. Good and Dickens forwarded tenure recommendations. Tait moved with support from Krohn to approve the tenure and probation as presented. Motion passed unanimously. Consideration to Bruce Bigham contract arose related to the current contract expiring. Krohn move with support from Williams to retain services of Bruce Bigham through 2022 school year at the rate consistent with current contract. Motion passed unanimously. Keim gave an update of the STEM Director application and hiring process.

2019-2020 School Calendar A county-wide calendar model was presented to the Board for review. Krohn moved with support from Reiter to approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar as presented, with allowances for final planning on teacher PD dates. Motion passed unanimously.

Employee Handbook Updates CFO Klosowski presented the recent changes in law related to Paid Medical Leave. Tait moved with support from Reiter to approve the proposed amendments to the Coordinators, Degreed Paraprofessionals, Secretarial, Interventionists, and Payroll Specialist/Administrative Assistant handbooks with the understanding that the proposed changes in the inclement weather provisions will take effect in the 2019-2020 fiscal year and that the “benefit year” for purposes of the Act 369 of 2018 (Paid Medical Time) will be July 1 to June 30. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Change to Graduation Requirement Principal Good led the discussion to State of Michigan required courses for graduation, including two years of foreign language. Reiter moved with support from Krohn to change Laker graduation requirements to allow the 2nd year of foreign language to be replaced with a qualifying CTE or visual/performing arts course, per state guidelines. Motion passed unanimously.

Bond Project Update Keim gave a Bond Project update. The bids are in and final award recommendations are being prepared by RC Hedrick and Son.

Administration Time Student Representative Schuette spoke of Interact Club efforts to fund raise, Blood drive, and Science Olympiad success at the regional level. VerBurg announced that winter sports are done and spring sports are gearing up. Good invited the Board to attend April 4th the redesigned Parent/Teacher day where students will showcase their work.

With no further business before the Board, Krohn moved with support from Horton to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectively submitted-

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary