

**Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
November 20, 2023
(Approved Minutes)**

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

Members Present: Paul Scaddan, Hans Eichler, Joel Fritz, Tyler Williams, Todd Tate, Mary Frances Tait and Student Representative Heidi Keim.

Members Absent: Tom Ziel

Approval of Regular Minutes Tait moved with support from Scaddan to approve the minutes dated October 16, 2023 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Williams reported bills to be paid for November 2023 as: General Fund \$98,941.49; 2019 Capital Projects Fund, \$1,166.03; Payroll/Liabilities (Food Service to General Fund Transfer) \$44,218.57; Food Service, \$7,908.15. Williams moved with support from Fritz to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation There was no other interest indicated from the public to address the Board at this time. Ample time was allotted.

Acceptance of Agenda Tait moved with support from Scaddan to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel VerBurg recommended Dana Hartman for the open position of paraprofessional at the elementary. Tait moved, supported by Eichler to approve the hire of Hartman as a paraprofessional in the elementary. Motion passed unanimously. The additions to the winter coaching roster were submitted by Comai. Williams moved, seconded by Scaddan to approve the additions of Scott Mossner as 7th grade Boys Basketball coach and Dan Sanchez as 9th grade Boys Basketball coach. Motion passed unanimously.

Auditor's Report Angie Burnette of Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran PC supplied the Board with the written audit report. Burnette verbally highlighted the report answering the Board's questions at the end of the report. Williams moved, seconded by Fritz to accept the annual audit report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

NEOLA Policy Update Tait gave a brief explanation of each item on the update. Tait moved with support from Scaddan to approve the first reading of NEOLA Fall 2023 Update, Vol. 38-1, leaving out the update to 7540.03. Motion passed unanimously.

23G Grant Presentation VerBurg reported on the most recent notification of Laker School being the recipient of a 23G "MI Kids Back on Track" Grant. The purposes of in which the grant will benefit the Laker students was outlined.

USDA Distance Learning Grant Keim explained the great news of Laker School being the recipient of the USDA's Rural Utilities Service grant. This grant is for equipping every classroom in the district with new presentation devices, projection equipment and distance learning capabilities. Written accounts of how the money will be spent according to the grant was reviewed and questions asked. Williams moved, Tait supported to approve the budget for the USDA's RUS DLT Grant Program at Lakers. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Reports The Administrators each contributed detailed written reports with the opportunity to verbally highlight their reports to the Board.

With no further business before the Board, Williams moved, supported by Fritz to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted –

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary