

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
November 18, 2024
(Approved Minutes)

President Williams 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, Todd Tate, Hans Eichler, Tom Ziel, Tyler Williams, Joel Fritz, Mary Frances Tait and Student Representative, Abby Rosenthal.

Members Absent: none.

Approval of Regular Minutes Tait moved with support from Ziel to approve the minutes dated October 21, 2024 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Fritz reported bills to be paid for November 2024 as: General Fund \$866,186.13; Food Service \$9,008.99; 2018 Sinking Fund, \$131,867.55; Payroll/Liabilities (Food Service to General Fund Transfer) \$44,828.46. Fritz moved with support from Ziel to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Agenda Tait moved with support from Tate to accept the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation No cards were presented to the Board and no further indication from the public was noted. Ample time was allotted.

Forging New Pathways Principal Good recognized Haley Cucinello for the excellent job she does leading the AG programs. Mrs. Cucinello shared some of the AG program activities serving the students and community.

Personnel VerBurg announced the receipt of Sandy Post's retirement letter with the intent to retire January 31, 2025. Tait moved with support from Ziel to accept Post's retirement with best wishes and regret. Motion passed unanimously. Letters of resignation were received from Heather Harder Sting and Emma McArdle related to family and health respectively. Scaddan moved with support from Fritz to accept the resignations with much regret and best wishes. Motion passed unanimously. Reithel recommended the hire of Kendra Kady as paraprofessional at the elementary. Ziel moved with support from Tait to approve the hire of Kady as an elementary paraprofessional. Motion passed unanimously. AD Comai submitted the last additions to last month's Coaching Roster. Fritz moved with support from Ziel to approve the additions to the Winter Coaching Roster as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Auditor's Report Angela Burnette from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran PC, presented the annual audit report. A full written report booklet was provided to each Board Member for review from the Auditors. Tait moved with support from Tate to accept the Annual Audit report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

NEOLA Policy Update VerBurg reported on the updates recommended by liaison, Schelke from NEOLA pertaining to the needed policy updates. The Board reviewed the recommendations with questions. Eichler moved with support from Ziel to approve the first reading of NEOLA Fall 2024, Vol 39-1. EDGAR/UGG,

and policy 7455 including the \$5,000 threshold for capitalization for fixed assets. Motion passed unanimously.

School of Choice Discussion to participate in Schools of Choice 105 and/or 105c was led by VerBurg. The current enrollment was reviewed with staffing numbers and building space. Fritz moved with support from Tait to approve the participation in Schools of Choice 105 and 105c for the second semester of 2024-2025 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

Building and Grounds VerBurg reported on the ongoing evaluation of future needs of the programming and facilities of the school district.

Overnight Field Trip Representatives of the current Senior Class addressed the Board, asking for approval of an overnight field trip to Mackinac Island. The representatives explained the written plan for the trip including time table, monies raised and needed and adult staffing. Ziel moved with support from Scaddan to approve the overnight field trip to Mackinac Island for the Senior Class, May 7-8th, 2025. Motion passed with Tate voting, no.

Administrator Time Many of the Administrators presented detailed written reports, each administrator was given the opportunity to highlight their report.

With no further business before the Board, Tait moved with support from Eichler to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted-

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary