

**St. Johns Public Schools
St. Johns, Michigan
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Held on December 10, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, December 10, 2018, at the Wilson Center Board Room. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Darragh, Dedyne, Drabek, Kirk, Nelson, Tennant, Watson, and Student Representative Ernst

ATTENDANCE

Members Absent: Student Representative Pung

President Darragh moved item II on the agenda, Board Member Recognition, to item IV, after Public Comments. Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Kirk, to approve the agenda as amended. Agenda approved unanimously as amended.

**AGENDA
APPROVED**

Motion by Secretary Dedyne, support by Treasurer Watson, to approve the Special Meeting minutes from the meeting held on December 3, 2018. Discussion followed as to whether the names of all those interviewed for the vacant Board position should be listed in the minutes.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Motion approved as presented 5-2 via roll call vote, with Member Kirk, and Vice-President Drabek voting no.

Dedrick Martin, community member and former district superintendent, DJ Logan, teacher and SJEA member, Suzy Drabek, middle school teacher, and Phil Schrantz, community member and former Board of Education member, all shared their appreciation, and gratitude for Member Tennant for his service to the community.

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS**

Board of Education members took time out of the meeting to honor Member Tennant for his many years of dedication and service to St. Johns Public Schools and the Board of Education. The meeting was called back to order by President Darragh at 7:39 pm.

**BOARD MEMBER
RECOGNITION**

Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett provided information on the cost and plan to repaint the interior of Riley Elementary School. The Board of Education requested the bid process be open for other bids.

**REPORTS AND
INFORMATION
RILEY PAINTING BID
RECOMMENDATION**

Superintendent Palmer and other members of the Policy Committee summarized the NEOLA policies presented to the Board of Education. Members of the Board of Education discussed a policy that is under current review.

**NEOLA POLICY
UPDATES**

Members of the Board of Education discussed the Memorandum of Understanding they received from HRS.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS
MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING WITH
HRS**

Motion by Member Tennant, support by Member Nelson, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda Items VIII-A1, B1, B2, C1, D1 and D2, as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
GROUPING
ITEMS**

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for November, 2018:

**PAYMENT OF
BILLS**

General Fund	\$1,274,535.48
Food Service Fund	16,974.42
1998 Debt Fund	6.59
2013 Refunding	2.58
2014 Refunding	38.94
2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	4.22
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	.02
Public Improvement Fund	0.00
2010 Series B Bond Payment	0.00
Scholarship/Trust Fund	0.00
Activity Fund	69,097.83
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,360,657.08

Approved the hiring of Sarah Mills – Accounting Technician; Laura Cornell - Childcare Provider.

**NEW HIRE
APPROVAL**

Approved the position transfer of Mark Schafer – Sub Bus Driver to Bus Driver.

**POSITION TRANSFER
APPROVAL**

Approved the resignation of Michaela Rosser – Childcare Provider; Beth Stevenson – Food Service Staff.

**RESIGNATION
APPROVAL**

Motion by Treasurer Watson, support by Member Kirk, that the St. Johns Board of Education accepts the evaluation of Superintendent Palmer as “Effective.” Motion approved unanimously.

**ACTION ITEMS
SUPERINTENDENT’S
EVALUATION**

Motion by Member Tennant, support by Secretary Dedyne, that the St. Johns Board of Education accepts the Memorandum of Understanding with Home Renewal Systems. Motion approved 6-1, via roll call vote, with Member Kirk voting no.

**MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING
WITH HRS**

**BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed his report to the Board of Education that included a Community Forum he is holding on January 9, 2019, his attendance at the Sustaining Excellence program last week, and the upcoming MASB/MASA combined winter conference, to be held February 8-10, 2019 in Detroit.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S
REPORT**

Student Representative Ernst informed the Board of Education of upcoming activities the high school students are involved in, including a Christmas event at Hazel Findlay, a varsity basketball game to raise funds

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE’S
REPORT**

for the people in Sudan, and gifts that the seminar classes are donating for needy children in the area. She also thanked Member Tennant for his service to the Board of Education and St. Johns Public Schools.

Scott Marier, community member and former Board of Education member, shared his words of gratitude for Member Tennant's many years of service, and his friendship.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD
COMMENTS**

DJ Logan shared with the Board of Education some holiday activities that the elementary students are involved in this season.

The Board of Education members expressed their appreciation to Member Tennant for his years of service and dedication.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary
St. Johns Board of Education