

**St. Johns Public Schools
St. Johns, Michigan
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Held on August 8, 2022**

The St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2022, at the St. Johns High School Auditorium. Vice President Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Boak, Darragh, Jackson, Koenigsknecht, Nelson, Watson, and Student Representative Schloegl

ATTENDANCE

Members Absent: Drabek

Motion by Treasurer Nelson, with support by Secretary Jackson, to approve the agenda. Agenda unanimously approved.

**AGENDA
APPROVED**

Motion by Member Koenigsknecht, with support by Member Darragh, to approve the Organizational Meeting minutes from the meeting held on July 6, 2022. Motion unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Superintendent Palmer reviewed the 2022-2023 Return to School and Continuity of Services Plan, which has to be reviewed and/or revisited every 6 months.

**REPORTS AND
INFORMATION
2022-2023 RETURN TO
LEARN AND CONTINUITY
OF SERVICES PLAN**

Deputy Superintendent of Finance and Human Resources, Kelly Corbett, presented the Board of Education with information on the non-homestead millage renewal resolution that will be on the ballot in November. The Board's questions were answered by Kelly.

**NON-HOMESTEAD
MILLAGE RENEWAL
RESOLUTION**

Curriculum Director, Mike Winkel, presented the Board of Education with the annual update of the 2022-2023 Curriculum Guides. Board members' questions were answered by both Mike and Superintendent Palmer.

CURRICULUM GUIDES

Motion by Secretary Jackson, with support by Member Boak, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the consent grouping number VI - A1, A2, B1, B2, B3, C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, and D1. Motion unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
GROUPING
ITEMS**

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for June 2022:

PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund	\$2,015,328.17
Food Service Fund	\$34,269.56
Activity Fund	\$54,304.90
2013 Refunding Debt Fund	\$75.00
2021 Refunding Debt Fund	\$500.00

2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	\$825.00
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	\$75.00
<i>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</i>	<i>\$2,105,377.63</i>

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for July 2022:

PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund	\$2,222,935.76
Food Service Fund	\$34,120.50
Activity Fund	\$23,577.67
2020 Refunding	\$500.00
Energy Bond Construction	\$131,277.30
<i>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</i>	<i>\$2,412,411.23</i>

Approved the hiring of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees:
 Abigail Payment – Childcare Provider at Little Wings, Jessica Schulze –
 Childcare Provider at Little Wings, Craig Coleman – Director of Operations and
 Transportation.

NEW HIRE APPROVAL

Approved the resignation of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees:
 Kylie Droste – Childcare Provider at Little Wings, Joshua Potter – Support Staff
 at Eureka Elementary, Robbie Gleeson – Director of Operations and
 Transportation, Kari Pickell – Middle School Kitchen Manager, Monica Leikert –
 Preschool Teacher at Oakview South.

RESIGNATION APPROVAL

Approved the termination of the following St. Johns Public Schools employee:
 Katie Marsh – Childcare Provider at Little Wings.

TERMINATION APPROVAL

Motion by Member Boak, with support by Treasurer Nelson, that the St. Johns
 Public Schools Board of Education approve the 2022-2023 Return to Learn and
 Continuity of Services Plan, as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS
2022-2023 RETURN TO
LEARN AND CONTINUITY OF
SERVICES PLAN APPROVAL

Motion by Member Darragh, with support by Member Koenigsnecht, that the
 St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the non-homestead
 millage renewal resolution, as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE
RENEWAL RESOLUTION
APPROVAL

Motion by Treasurer Nelson, with support by Secretary Jackson, that the St.
 Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the 2022-2023 Building
 Curriculum Guides and Course Guides, as presented. Motion unanimously
 approved.

CURRICULUM GUIDES
APPROVAL

Motion by Member Koenigsnecht, with support by Treasurer Nelson, that the
 St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the High School Dance
 Team National Championship in Orlando, Florida, February 2-7, 2023. Motion
 unanimously approved.

HIGH SCHOOL DANCE TEAM
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA,
FEBRUARY 2-7, 2023
REQUEST APPROVAL

**BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed his written report. He updated the Board with the process to move to one Regular Board meeting per month. Member Keonigsknecht asked that the Board be given notice about time sensitive action items that will be on the agenda. Secretary Jackson added that the Board should have their questions answered by reading the memo and packet. Superintendent Palmer also informed the Board that Member Darragh and himself signed up for the MASB Legal Update webinar on Thursday.

Superintendent Palmer shared with the Board that St. Johns Public Schools contracted with Shared Media for marketing and have seen a significant increase of outreach to the community using social media platforms. He also shared that we have three open teaching positions available currently and looking at opening a fifth preschool classroom.

He also debriefed on the Administrator retreat that happened last week off-campus. He shared the new retiree rule with the Board. He also mentioned amending the Middle School parking lot contract.

Member Boak asked about updating the website, Superintendent Palmer answered with the upcoming plans to update it.

Student Representative Schloegl shared with the Board an update on fall sports starting today, band camp finished up and will be performing in the mint parade this Saturday, and Student Council is working on homecoming, which is September 16. Member Darragh asked if Student Representative Schloegl was ready for her senior year and to enjoy it, she replied with 'yes and no, kind of sad'.

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE'S
REPORT**

There were no in-person comments.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD
COMMENTS**

Online comments were made by DJ Logan, asking for clarification where the Return to Learn document will be, to which Superintendent Palmer answered it will be shared on our website. DJ also welcomed the new hires.

Member Boak commented on the new middle school parking lot. Several members of the Board of Education welcomed Craig and congratulated Rob and wished him good luck. Member Darragh also complimented Vice President Watson on a job well done tonight.

Member Darragh motioned that the St. Johns Board of Education move into Executive Session to discuss the St. Johns School Bus Drivers' Contract and updates on negotiation status, and was supported by Member Koenigsknecht.

**MOVE TO EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

The motion passed unanimously via a 6-0 roll call vote, and the Board of Education moved into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m.

The Board of Education returned from Executive Session at 8:29 p.m.

**RETURN FROM
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Secretary Jackson with support by Treasurer Nelson, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the contract with the St. Johns School Bus Drivers Association as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEM
ST. JOHNS SCHOOL BUS
DRIVERS' ASSOCIATION
CONTRACT APPROVAL

Vice President Watson adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Jackson, Secretary
St. Johns Board of Education
Minutes submitted by: Chelsea Peterson, Recording Secretary