

**St. Johns Public Schools  
St. Johns, Michigan  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Held on September 24, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 24, 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, Watson, and Student Representative Ernst

**ATTENDANCE**

Members Absent: Tennant, Student Representative Pung

President Darragh added the following items to the agenda: VI, D. 2018-2019 Virtual Course List; VI, E. Middle School Drama Trip to Atlanta, GA; VI, F. High School Band Trip to Hawaii. Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Kirk, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion approved unanimously.

**AGENDA  
APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Dedyne, support by Member Watson to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the meeting held on September 10, 2018. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

Oakview South teacher and parent, Krista Lehner, expressed her concerns about the proposed cooperative agreement for the boys hockey team.

**PUBLIC  
COMMENTS**

**REPORTS AND  
INFORMATION**

Curriculum Director Jason Gnegy shared M-STEP and SAT trend data and demographic comparison data with the Board of Education.

**2017-2018  
MSTEP/SAT  
RESULTS  
OVERVIEW**

Member Tennant arrived at 7:20pm.

**ARRIVAL OF  
BOARD MEMBER**

Superintendent Palmer presented the proposed cooperative agreement for boys and girls lacrosse between St. Johns and Ovid-Elsie.

**LACROSSE  
COOPERATIVE  
AGREEMENT**

Motion by Member Tennant, support by Member Nelson, to approve the consent grouping Number VII, A1, B1, B2, C1, and D1. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT  
GROUPING  
ITEMS**

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

General Fund	\$1,733,556.83
Food Service Fund	15,190.65
1998 Debt Fund	0.00
2013 Refunding	0.00
2014 Refunding	0.00
2008 Debt Fund	0.00
2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	0.00
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	0.00
Public Improvement Fund	122,528.90
2010 Series B Bond Payment	0.00
Scholarship/Trust Fund	0.00
Activity Fund	22,994.75
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,894,271.13</b>

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Approved the hiring of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees:  
 Bryce Harger-Adventure Club/Little Wings Staff, Lisa Mancuso-Gateway  
 North Support Staff.

**NEW HIRE  
 APPROVAL**

Approved the position transfer of the following St. Johns Public Schools  
 employee: Dominic Cocco – Sub Custodian to High School Custodian.

**POSITION TRANSFER  
 APPROVAL**

Approved the resignation of the following St. Johns Public Schools  
 employee: Kayla Bellant – Adventure Club/Little Wings Staff.

**RESIGNATION  
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Tennant, that the St.  
 Johns Board of Education approves the resolution to form and support a  
 cooperative agreement for the high school gymnastics team between  
 Haslett, Williamston and Bath, as presented. Motion approved  
 unanimously.

**ACTION ITEMS  
 MHSAA  
 GYMNASTICS  
 COOPERATIVE  
 AGREEMENT  
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Kirk, support by Member Watson, that the St. Johns  
 Board of Education approves the resolution to form and support a  
 cooperative agreement for the boys hockey team between St. Johns and  
 DeWitt, Mason, Lansing Catholic Central and Ionia, as presented. Motion  
 approved unanimously.

**MHSAA BOYS  
 HOCKEY  
 COOPERATIVE  
 AGREEMENT  
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Dedyne, that the St.  
 Johns Board of Education approves the 2018-2019 Virtual Course List for  
 St. Johns Public Schools, with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor providing the courses, in  
 accordance with item 5-O-D, sub item 3, of the Michigan Department of  
 Education Pupil Accounting Manual, as presented. Motion approved  
 unanimously.

**2018-2019 VIRTUAL  
 COURSE LIST  
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Kirk, that the St. Johns  
 Board of Education approves the overnight, out-of-state Middle School  
 Drama Trip to Atlanta, GA, as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
 DRAMA TRIP TO  
 ATLANTA GA  
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Drabek, that the St. Johns  
 Board of Education approves the overnight, out-of-state High School Band  
 Trip to Hawaii, as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**HIGH SCHOOL BAND  
 TRIP TO HAWAII  
 APPROVAL**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed highlights of his report included in the Board packet. He also gave an update on items covered at the MASA Conference last week.

**BOARD  
COMMUNICATIONS  
SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT**

Student Representative Ernst updated the Board of Education on several sports accomplishments achieved recently, and also reminded the Board of Education of the sale of tickets to the high school musical that will go on sale next week.

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE  
REPORT**

Krista Lehner commented that she appreciates the Board's consideration of the effects that the cooperative agreements may have on our students.

**PUBLIC AND  
BOARD  
COMMENTS**

Several Board members thanked the parents that were present at the meeting this evening. Board members commented on their experiences in talking with this year's Hall of Fame honorees. They also thanked members of the staff for their presentations and weekly updates. President Darragh noted the success of millages on the August elections. He commented on how strong support is when the government body can clearly describe the need for items such as mileages, and to keep this in mind when asking the community for renewals and any new millages.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary  
St. Johns Board of Education