

**St. Johns Public Schools
St. Johns, Michigan
Minutes of COW Meeting of the Board of Education
Held on April 9, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met at the Eureka Elementary Media Center for a Committee of the Whole Meeting on Monday, April 9, 2018. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ATTENDANCE

Members Absent – Drabek

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Watson, to approve the agenda as presented.

AGENDA APPROVED

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion made by Member Watson, support by Member Tennant, that the St. Johns Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 26, 2018.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Motion approved unanimously.

Eureka Elementary School Principal Anne Marie Potter and 2nd grade teacher Alexa Weatherwax presented information on Math instruction at the school.

**PRESENTATIONS
EUREKA
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL MATH
PERFORMANCE
REVIEW**

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett and Director of Operations Jerry Jones provided information on roof bids for Gateway North Elementary and Oakview South Elementary Schools.

**REPORTS AND
INFORMATION
GATEWAY NORTH
ELEMENTARY AND
OAKVIEW SOUTH
ELEMENTARY ROOF
BIDS**

Network Supervisor Wendy Andrzejewski provided information on the recommendation to replace the workstations in the Business Labs at the High School.

**HIGH SCHOOL
BUSINESS LABS
COMPUTER
REPLACEMENT
RECOMMENDATION**

Interim Superintendent Pearson and High School Principal Mark Palmer shared the recommendation for a new high school principal

**APPOINTMENT OF
HIGH SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL**

Interim Superintendent Pearson and Board of Education President Darragh shared information on an MASB conference being held in May.

**MASB
COMMUNICATONS
AND MARKETING
CONFERENCE**

Interim Superintendent ~~Wilson~~ *Pearson* and Member Nelson provided the Board of Education with information they received at the Clinton County RESA Board of Education Special Meeting.

**CCRESA 2018-2019
PROPOSED
GENERAL FUND
BUDGET MEETING**

Dru Mitchell of the Clinton County Economic Alliance provided an update on the progress of the Wilson Center Advisory Committee.

**WILSON CENTER
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
DISCUSSION**

Interim Superintendent Pearson shared that Stephanie Scavarda has been hired as the Adventure Club and Little Wings Director Program.

NEW HIRE

Interim Superintendent Pearson summarized the resignation that the district received recently.

**STAFF
RESIGNATION**

Motion by Member Watson, support by Member Nelson to approve the purchase of PCL Model Guided Reading book room material in an amount not to exceed \$75,319.00 with all funding provided by Section 31a At-Risk funds, as presented.

**ACTION ITEMS
SECTION 31A
APPROVAL-
BOOK ROOM
PURCHASE**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Dedyne to approve the creation of the Reading Intervention Teacher position at St. Johns Public School District, with funding to come from Section 31a At-Risk Funds, as presented.

**SECTION 31A
APPROVAL-
READING
INTERVENTION
TEACHER POSITION
CREATION**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Kirk, support by Member Nelson to approve the reduction of a Literacy SSP position at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

**SECTION 31A
APPROVAL-
REDUCTION OF
LITERACY SSP**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Watson, support by Member Kirk to approve a partnership with the Early College Program at LCC and the district.

**EARLY COLLEGE
PROGRAM
PARTNERSHIP
APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Watson to approve hiring Stephanie Scavarda as the Adventure Club and Little Wings Director.

**NEW HIRE
APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Tennant, support by Member Nelson to approve the retirement of Patricia Steinhoff-Lokey, Riley Elementary 1st grade teacher.

**RETIREMENT
APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Student Representative Tahvonen presented her report to the Board of Education, which included a summary of events taking place in the High School and Middle School, and spring break trips for students.

**BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS
STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE
REPORT**

Student Representative Ernst presented her report to the Board of Education, which included a summary of some of the events the high school students experienced on the trip to Spain. She also mentioned that SAT testing begins tomorrow.

Interim Superintendent Pearson informed the Board of Education of the number of students currently participating in the district's gymnastics program, and the success and awards received by this year's Diving Team. He also shared that all of our schools fell between 82-98% on the school accountability rankings.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

The Board of Education members expressed gratitude to the Eureka Elementary School staff on their presentation at tonight's meeting. Several also mentioned that they enjoyed having meetings at the buildings and would support doing it again next school year. Many members also expressed their support of the appointment of the high school principal. A member also shared a concern received from a local company regarding one of the district's suppliers.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD
COMMENTS**

President Darragh adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary
St. Johns Board of Education

CORRECTION: The name of the Interim Superintendent was incorrectly named in the CCRESA 2018-2019 Proposed General Fund Budget Meeting. The correct name should have been "Interim Superintendent Pearson."