

**St. Johns Public Schools  
St. Johns, Michigan  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Held on November 25, 2019**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 25, 2019, at the Wilson Center Board Room. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Members Present: Darragh, Dedyne, Drabek, Kirk, Jackson, Nelson, Watson, Student Representative Schafer, and Student Representative Kiel

**ATTENDANCE**

Members Absent: None

Motion by Member Nelson, with support by Member Kirk, to approve the agenda. Agenda approved as presented.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

Motion by Member Jackson, with support by Member Nelson, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the meeting held on November 11, 2019. Motion unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Superintendent Palmer provided the Board of Education with information on a overnight, out-of-state trip that five high school students will be taking with the CCRESA EMS and Fire Science class. They will be travelling to Gatlinburg, Tennessee, to participate in the National Fire Explorer Competition.

**REPORTS AND INFORMATION  
NATIONAL FIRE EXPLORER COMPETITION**

Motion by Treasurer Watson, with support by Member Jackson, to approve the consent grouping Number VI, A1, B1, and C1. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT GROUPING ITEMS**

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for October 2019:

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

General Fund	\$1,503,192.30
Food Service Fund	19,390.59
Activity Fund	39,545.68
1998 Debt Fund	262,545.43
2013 Refunding	32,692.01
2014 Refunding	789,017.60
2008 Debt Fund	0.61
2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	488,517.11
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	2,523.98
Public Improvement Fund	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,137,425.31

Approved the hiring of the following St. Johns Public Schools employee: Patrick Kent – High School Custodian.

**NEW HIRE APPROVAL**

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

**POSITION TRANSFER  
APPROVAL**

Approved the termination of the following St. Johns Public Schools employee: Dominic Cocco – High School Custodian

**TERMINATION APPROVAL**

**BOARD  
COMMUNICATIONS**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed his written report. He added that CCRESA Superintendent, Wayne Petroelje, is working to setup the Grassroots program with the other districts in the county. He is working with MASA with a couple of different dates – February 26, 2020 or March 4, 2020. He also highlighted the Technology Director’s portion of the written report, and the statement that the article that was published with incorrect information has been corrected. He congratulated Senior Student Representative Camille Schafer on her acceptance to play soccer at Purdue University – Northwest.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S  
REPORT**

Junior Student Representative Kiel provided the Board of Education with an update on the competition play this year. For the first time in St. Johns’ history, they will actually be performing two plays at the competition; the tragedy, The Story of Everything, will be performed on the main stage, and a comedy, Anna of August, will be performed on the studio stage.

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE’S  
REPORT**

The members of the Board of Education commented on the decision the superintendent made to call off school one day last week. Member Jackson questioned an item on the October 2019 Accounts Payable report, which Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett clarified. President Darragh reminded everyone of the choir concerts that will be held on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD  
COMMENTS**

Member Kirk motioned that the St. Johns Board of Education move into Executive Session to discuss the superintendent’s evaluation, and was supported by Member Jackson.

**MOVE TO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote of 7-0 at 7:20 p.m.

The Board of Education returned from Executive Session at 9:25 p.m.

**RETURN FROM  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary  
St. Johns Board of Education