

**St. Johns Public Schools  
St. Johns, Michigan  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Held on April 26, 2021**

The St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 26, 2021, at the St. Johns High School Band Room. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Members Present: Darragh, Dedyne, Drabek, Hallead, Jackson, Nelson, Watson

**ATTENDANCE**

Members Absent: Student Representative Kiel

Motion by Vice President Drabek, with support by Member Jackson, to approve the agenda. Agenda approved as presented.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

Motion by Member Hallead, with support by Vice President Drabek, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the meeting held on April 12, 2021. Motion unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed the plan. The summer plan due date was April 15<sup>th</sup>. President Darragh asked about the summer plans. Superintendent Palmer shared there will be an 8 week plan for the elementary level, and 4 weeks for the secondary level.

**REPORTS AND  
INFORMATION  
EXTENDED COVID-19  
LEARNING PLAN AND RE-  
CERTIFICATION**

Chelsey Schafer read a letter to the members of the Board of Education on behalf of Gracelyn and Daryl Schafer. The letter disputes the safety and effectiveness of wearing masks.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Superintendent Palmer reviewed the property transfer request submitted by the Brewster family. A couple members of the Board of Education asked questions about the location of the property, and the property owners basis for moving to this location.

**REPORTS AND  
INFORMATION  
PROPERTY TRANSFER**

Director of Technology Wendy Andrzejewski provided the Board of Education with information on a recommendation to replace projectors in the district.

**PROJECTOR REPLACEMENT**

Director of Technology Wendy Andrzejewski provided information on the need to replace the computers in the high school business lab.

**HIGH SCHOOL BUSINESS LAB  
COMPUTER REPLACEMENT**

Director of Technology Wendy Andrzejewski provided the Board of Education with a recommendation to replace devices for students and staff.

**STUDENT/STAFF DEVICE  
REPLACEMENT**

Motion by Member Nelson, with support by Vice President Drabek, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the consent grouping Number

**APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT**

VII, A1, B1, and C1. Member Hallead amended the motion to also include VII C2 and D1 Motion approved unanimously.

**GROUPING  
ITEMS**

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for March 2021:

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

General Fund	\$1,862,626.78
Food Service Fund	\$17,138.3
Activity Fund	\$33,942.65
1998 Debt Fund	\$0.15
2020 Refunding	\$0.15
2013 Refunding	\$0.15
2014 Refunding	\$80.50
2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	\$19.93
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	\$0.15
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,913,808.79</b>

Approved the hiring of the following St. Johns Public Schools employee:  
Hunter Harnick – High school Custodian

**NEW HIRE APPROVAL**

Approved the resignation of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees:  
Ashley Antes – High School Custodian, and Michael Gorham – Network Specialist

**RESIGNATION APPROVAL**

Approved the position transfer of the following St. Johns Public Schools employee: David Hufnagel – High School Custodian to Maintenance Utility.

**POSITION TRANSFER  
APPROVAL**

Motion by Treasurer Watson, with support by Member Hallead, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the resolution supporting the Clinton Count RESA General Fund Operating Budget for the 20221-2022 school year as presented at the April 5, 2021, Clinton County RESA Board of Education Special Meeting. Motion unanimously approved.

**ACTION ITEMS  
CCRESA 2021-2022  
General Fund Budget  
Proposal Approval**

Motion by Member Jackson, with support by Member Hallead, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education approve the pre-Labor Day waiver request to start the Capital Region Technical Early College program, as outlined in the checklist of requirements, as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

**Pre-Labor Day Start  
CRTEC Checklist of  
Requirements Approval**

Motion by Treasurer Watson, with support by Secretary Dedyne, that the St. Johns Public Schools Board of Education re-certify the district’s Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

**Extended COVID-19  
Learning Plan and Re-  
Certification Approval**

Superintendent Palmer addressed the format of tonight’s meeting and said attachments for Action Items will appear on future agendas. He also informed the Board of Education that the policy committee had met earlier this evening to discuss policy in preparation to transition from NEOLA to the Thrun policy service. He explained the progression of how and when this would come

**BOARD  
COMMUNICATIONS  
SUPERINTENDENT’S  
REPORT**

before the Board of Education for approval. He updated the Board on COVID – 19 testing for athletes. He also attended the middle school musical this weekend. The program they used to assign seats accounted for social distancing.

Chelsea Schafer asked why athletes are being tested (for COVID-19) if they are asymptomatic. President Darragh briefly engaged in a dialogue with Mrs. Schafer regarding mask requirements.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD  
COMMENTS**

Treasurer Watson thanked Wendy Andrezejewski for her presentations, and mentioned that he had also attended the middle school musical over the weekend.

President Darragh apologized for the lack of decorum in engaging in the previous dialogue. He also shared his thoughts on the direction of the Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference.

President Darragh adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary  
St. Johns Board of Education  
Minutes submitted by: Michelle Gorby, Recording Secretary