

Boyne Falls Public School



Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

January 20, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by William Cousineau, at 6:30 p.m. in the board conference room.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Cousineau, Carson, Brunmeier, Haug, Loper, Pickering

Members Absent: Powers

Others Present: 2

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Carson, support by Pickering, to approve the agenda as printed.

Motion Carried 6 to 0.

V. Approval of Minutes and Corrections

Motion by Haug, support by Brunmeier, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 16, 2024.

Motion Carried 6 to 0.

VI. Election of Officers

a. President: William Cousineau nominated by Laura Brunmeier, support by David Carson.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.

b. Vice President: David Carson nominated by Laura Brunmeier, support by David Carson.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.

c. Secretary: Karena Haug nominated by Laura Brunmeier, support by David Carson.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.

d. Treasurer: Laura Brunmeier nominated by Laura Brunmeier, support by David Carson.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.

VII. Appoint Committees- Committees stay the same.

a. Executive

b. Building/Grounds/Transportation

c. Policies/Curriculum

VIII. Designate Person for Public Notice of Special Meetings

Motion by Pickering, support by Loper, that the superintendent be the designee to post special meetings.

Motion Carried 6 to 0.

IX. Payment of Bills

Motion by Brunmeier, support by Carson, to approve the payment of the following bills:

- General Fund \$ 66,616.03
- Food Service Fund \$ 18,014.17
- Special Revenue \$ 11,203.85

Motion Carried 6 to 0.

X. Faculty Feature- Danielle Corcoran, JMG Specialist

XI. Discussion Items

XII. Committee Reports

a. Executive

b. Policy

- Read policy series
 - 4201- Employee Ethics and Standards- SD
 - 4201-AG- Employee Ethics and Standards- Time and Effort Reporting
 - 4202- Children’s Protective Services (CPS) Reporting and Student Safety and Welfare
 - 4203- Corporal Punishment and Limited Use of Reasonable Force
 - 4203-AG- Corporal Punishment and Limited Use of Reasonable Force
 - 4204- Confidentiality of Student Information
 - 4205- Hiring and Background Checks
 - 4205-AG-1- Criminal Justice Information Security
 - 4206- Employment Contracts-SD
 - 4207- Third Party Contracting
 - 4207- Third Party Contracting of Non-Instructional Support Services
 - 4208- Applicant and Employee Criminal Arrest Charges Conviction
 - 4209- Prohibition Against Abortion Referrals and Assistance
 - 4210- Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace
 - 4210- Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace; Tobacco Product Restrictions
 - 4211- Alcohol and Controlled Substances for Transportation Employees Subject to OTETA
 - 4212- Employee Assistance Program
 - 4213- Anti-Nepotism
 - 4214- Outside Activities and Employment
 - 4215- District Technology and Acceptable Use Policy
 - 4216- Personal Communication Devices
 - 4217- Social Media
 - 4218- Employee Dress and Appearance

- 4219- Attendance
 - 4220- Use or Disposal of District Policy
 - 4221- Employee Speech
 - 4222- Unauthorized Work Stoppage and Strikes
 - 4223- Resignation
 - 4224- Personnel Files and Payroll Information
 - 4225- Temporary Remote Work Policy for Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Compliance
 - 4226- Intentionally Left Blank
 - 4227- False Medicaid Claims
 - 4228- No Expectation of Privacy
- c. Building/Grounds/Transportation
- Met on January 20, 2025
 - Reviewed timelines and prioritized projects.
 - Mapped out summer projects that would like completed.
 - Will gather costs and report back to the Board of Education.
- d. Other

XIII. Student Success Advisor

- a. Update
- Winter Rec has started, 60 plus students transported to Boyne Mountain to ski and snowboard.
 - Volunteers are doing a great job with the program implementation.
 - Community Expo is being put on by BFPS Wellness during Parent/Teacher Conferences.

XIV. Student Representative Report

- a. Update
- Honor roll trip was lots of fun at the Petoskey Winter Sports Park.
 - Spirit week is being held this week.
 - NHS Blood drive is scheduled for February 4th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

XV. Principal's Report

- a. Update
- Thank you, Brooke Fenske for all your time and effort put into our Winter Rec program.
 - Talked about our special education position, new hires.
 - Community coffee hour last week was a success and attendees viewed the new photos in the cafeteria.
 - Gym is very busy! Basketball, baseball, softball and volleyball.
 - Class of 2027 Dinner and Silent Auction is this Friday.

XVI. Superintendent's Report

- a. Recognition of Board
 - Class of 2027 created a thank you gift for the Board of Education.
 - Cindy addressed the Board and expressed appreciation in working together, and appreciates their time and dedication.
- b. General Update
 - Special education position; original candidate didn't follow thru with the hiring process. This has created a slight gap in services. The affected families will be notified. We've been able to secure qualified substitute teachers.
- c. Legislative Report
 - Grant 31aa, \$3679.00 to provide funding for student mental health and safety.
 - Grant 22I, \$21,234.00 to provide support in school transportation.
 - Lame duck fizzled out quickly.
 - PA 152 changes passed but not yet signed by the Governor. Potential issues may prevent changes from happening in 2025.
 - HB 5549- behavioral threat assessment and management team. If it passes we already have this in place.
- d. Other

XVII. Recognition of Audience

- a. The board will recognize anyone wishing to address them. They do reserve the right to limit the time devoted to a specific topic and ask that arrangements be made in the Superintendent's office in advance to be placed on the agenda.
 - Orin Lee- Class of 2025 is running short on funds and would like to do Sunday brunches in February thru March at the school for a third fundraiser.

XVIII. Action Items

- a. Motion by Carson, support by Haug, that the Board of Education rescind the decision to hire Kenneth Ortegel for the position of Special Education Teacher due to his failure in completing the required steps in the hiring process.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.
- b. Motion by Brunmeier, support by Pickering, that the Board of Education affirm the hiring of Janelle Vilitski as the Special Education Teacher.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.
- c. Motion by Haug, support by Brunmeier, that the Board of Education approve the third fundraiser, pancake breakfasts held February and March, for the class of 2025.
Motion Carried 6 to 0.

XIX. Board of Education Business

- a. Activities Report
- b. Other

XX. Adjournment

Motion by Carson, support by Pickering, to adjourn.

Motion Carried 6 to 0.

Time adjourned: 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Herman, Recording Secretary