

CHASSELL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
Board of Education
Regular Meeting

January 17, 2022

The Chassell Township School Board of Education met on Monday, January 17, 2022. President Randal Danison called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Present: Randal Danison, Carl Olson, Tanya Etelamaki, Ken Kytta, Peter Torola, Roger Tervo, B.J. (Brady) Tervo

Absent: None

Guests: Dominique Crowley, Kara LaTendresse, Angela Danison, Trevor Clark, Sarah Guidotti, Tamara Pietila, Jon Marshall, Tricia Tervo

Guests

Kara LaTendresse gave a quick update on behalf of the athletic department. The new uniforms for the girls Varsity basketball team have arrived. They look fantastic.

A job posting has been placed for a Varsity track coach.

Regular Board Meeting – December 13, 2021 – Ken Kytta moved, seconded by Roger Tervo, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 13, 2021 as presented. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.

Treasurer's Report – B.J. (Brady) Tervo reported an Income of \$563,027.27, Expenses of \$1,025,518.53, leaving a deficit Net Income balance of (\$462,491.26).

The General Fund Cash & Investment Balance as of December 31, 2021, was \$458,614.72.

Roger Tervo moved, seconded by Carl Olson, to pay the December bills as submitted. (Note: no Petty Cash report this month). Motion carried on a roll call vote:

AYES: Ken Kytta, Peter Torola, B.J. (Brady) Tervo, Tanya Etelamaki, Roger Tervo, Carl Olson, Randal Danison

NAYS: None

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. Marco Guidotti - Wanted to say thank you to many people who have helped him through the first three weeks of his transition into his new position as Superintendent/Principal. "I would especially like to say Thank you to Steve Spahn, Tricia Tervo, Jen Marshall, Holly O'Connor and the Board of Education" for the support I have received. Going forward, there is plenty of work to be done.
- B. Boiler Update - The boilers in the building are about 15 years old. One has sprung a leak recently. The approximate cost to replace one boiler is about \$21,000.00. The threshold to put out bids or an RFP (Request for Proposal) is \$26,000.00. The original thought was to go ahead and put out bids as both boilers should be replaced at the same time. There is no benefit in doing one and then the other down the road.

- C. Driver's Education - The new class at Dollar Bay-Tamarack City Area Schools begins tonight. Students from Chassell who are enrolled in the class have been enrolled by age, with the oldest student who needed the class as being enrolled first.
- D. CPI Training - Is a nonviolent crisis intervention training designed to teach best practices for managing difficult situations and disruptive behaviors. Several staff members are interested in this training. Mr. Guidotti is working with Janelle Summers to set this training up.
- E. Child Care Grant - Dominique Crowley and Marco Guidotti reported they just learned that the Panther Cub Preschool/Daycare has received a Child Care Stabilization grant in the amount of \$31,875.00. Dominique is working with Julie Catherino from the Great Start to Quality Program to understand how the funds may be used. Currently we know that funds can be used for personnel, insurance, PPE, building/maintenance and tuition reimbursement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Personnel Committee - Met on December 30, 2021, to discuss the superintendent/principal contract.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Full-Time Principal - The superintendent/principal would like to take some time to define/designate roles and meet with the personnel committee before posting for a full-time principal.
- B. Sick Leave Reimbursement - There was a discussion regarding reimbursing one half of the sick time used for COVID related school mandated leave to be refunded to staff members.
- C. New Board Member Training - Will be held at the CCISD on January 26. Board members who are interested in attending should register by January 21.
- D. Board Member Committee Assignments - Board members were asked if they wanted to change their committee assignments. Board members would like to keep all current assignments.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Sick Leave - COVID Quarantine – Roger Tervo moved, seconded by Ken Kytta, to reimburse staff one half (½) of their sick leave time when required to quarantine for COVID related school mandated leave for the 2021-2022 school year only. (Retroactive to the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year.) (Motion made last month, however, revoked due to a conflict of interest). Motion carried on a roll call vote:

AYES: Ken Kytta, Peter Torola, Tanya Etelamaki, Roger Tervo

Nays: None

Abstain: B.J. (Brady) Tervo - Spouse, Carl Olson - Spouse, Randal Danison - Spouse

- B. Pay Adjustment - Carl Olson moved, seconded by Roger Tervo, to adjust Eeva Juntunen's pay rate to \$13.00 per hour, effective January 3, 2022. Eeva's responsibilities have increased with two special needs students in the classroom and additional duties. Motion carried on a roll call vote:

AYES: Ken Kytta, Peter Torola, B.J. (Brady) Tervo, Tanya Etelamaki, Carl Olson, Randal Danison

Nays: None

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C. The next board meeting will be held on Monday, February 21, 2022 @ 5:30 p.m. in the school library.

Ken Kytta moved, seconded by Carl Olson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.

Approved:

President:

Secretary: