



Public Schools of Petoskey

Every Opportunity.

Regular School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 7:00 PM

Spitler Administration Building, 1130 Howard Street, Petoskey, MI 49770

Mark Ashley:	Absent
Jenni Attie:	Present
Beth Flynn:	Present
Denise Petoskey:	Present
Kathy Reed:	Present

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
Called to order at 7:00PM.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance
Vice President Reed led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Presentation: Poetry Out Loud

The High School Poetry Out Loud Program provided a presentation to the Board. Mrs. Lesky, high school English teacher and Poetry Out Loud advisor, introduced the English Department teachers in attendance and then gave a background about the Poetry Out Loud Program.

Every student is given the opportunity by their English teacher to study and memorize a poem of their choice, and then recite it for their class. Each English teacher then advances their most successful students to the school competition. This year's Poetry Out Loud School Competition took place on Thursday, January 5, 2023, in the high school auditorium.

Freshman Eloise Jones will be advancing to the Michigan Poetry Out Loud State Finals at the Lansing Crowne Plaza West on March 3-4, 2023. Our first runner up is Senior, Adam Martins, and our 2nd runner up is Junior, Layla Senior. Additional students who participated in the school competition are as follows:

- Jackson Taylor
- Bianca Gietzen
- Nathaniel Haines
- Brady Olson
- Collin Brantly
- Olivia Benson
- Hannah Boorsma
- Teia Kline
- Emily Crittenden
- Sydnee Allen
- Kasey Burgherr
- Charlie Olson
- Lily White

4. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

5. Resolution: Approval of Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes, January 19, 2023
- Special Meeting Minutes, January 31, 2023
- Special Meeting Minutes, February 6, 2023
- Closed Session Meeting Minutes, February 6, 2023 (walk-in)

Dr. Leslie recommended the Board's approval.

Moved that the written minutes be approved as recorded. This motion, made by Denise Petoskey and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea

Denise Petoskey: Yea

Kathy Reed: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6. Resolution: Approval of Warrants

Dr. Leslie recommended the Board's approval.

Moved that the warrants paid, as submitted by the administration, be approved in the amount of \$2,766,670.24. This motion, made by Jenni Attie and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea

Denise Petoskey: Yea

Kathy Reed: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7. Resolution: Bank Authorization

Dr. Leslie recommended the Board's approval.

Moved that Bill Melching, Director of Finance, be authorized to perform the banking and check signing duties of the Public Schools of Petoskey for the 2022-23 fiscal year, effective immediately. Current authorized bankers are Dr. Jeff Leslie, Superintendent, Elizabeth Flynn, 2nd Vice President, and Denise Petoskey, Treasurer. This motion, made by Denise Petoskey and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea

Denise Petoskey: Yea

Kathy Reed: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8. Resolution: MASB Board of Directors Election

Board discussion took place. The Board chose not to vote for a candidate at this time.

9. Resolution: Section 98B Goal Progress Report

Dr. Leslie introduced Becky Smith, Director of Teaching and Learning. Mrs. Smith reviewed the progress report and fielded questions from the Board. The resolution was recommended for approval.

Moved to accept the 2022/2023 Learning Goals and Benchmark Report in accordance with PA 48 sections 98b(1)(a-c). This motion, made by Denise Petoskey and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10. Resolution: Approval of The Art of Education K-12 Curriculum & PD Resources
Becky Smith, Director of Teaching and Learning, reviewed the highlights of the curriculum. She fielded questions from the Board. The resolution was recommended for approval.

Moved to approve the purchase and adoption of The Art of Education University K-12 curriculum and professional development resources in the amount of \$12,226.40 for a period of four years. This motion, made by Jenni Attie and seconded by Denise Petoskey, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

11. Resolution: CTE Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design Course Approval
Dr. Leslie introduced Mr. Sommerfeldt, CTE Department Chair at the high school. Mr. Sommerfeldt reviewed the proposal and the MDE competency requirements. He fielded questions from the Board. The resolution was recommended for approval.

Moved to approve the course recommendation of CTE Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design and that it be added to the high school course catalog to begin in the 2023/2024 school year. This motion, made by Denise Petoskey and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

12. Educational Reports

Elementary Updates - Mr. Saunders spoke on behalf of the elementary principals:

- Full Value Agreement Team Building Activities - PBIS Roll-out February 13 and 14, 2023
 - Meagan Neal and Gavin Fralick, middle school teachers, along with high school students, came to the elementary buildings to work with the students
- Winter Carnivals are coming up
 - Central, February 24, 2023, Central Gym
 - Sheridan's date is coming soon
 - Lincoln's will be in the spring
 - Ottawa's was February 3, 2023
 - Was well attended and families had a great time playing games
 - Thank you to our PTO and all of the volunteers who helped make it successful
- Kids Heart Challenge
 - Almost \$30,000 was raised for the American Heart Association
 - \$4,250 in PE equipment was donated back to the schools.
 - 148 families completed the CPR training
- Central Elementary will be going to the movie theater to celebrate March is Reading month
- Central Elementary STEAM Night is April 11, 2023, 5:00-7:30PM
- Lincoln had its annual student council movie night
- Sheridan Family Night and Carnival is March 10, 2023

Middle School Updates - Mr. Wilcox gave an update on the middle school

- January 23 & 24, 2023 Annual Suicide Prevention Program for all 7th graders
 - Lots of community support for our students
- The Middle School Spelling Bee was January 25, 2023
 - Sander Cole came in first
 - Tara Brantly came in second
 - Both will attend the State Spelling Bee competition in Traverse City on March 19, 2023
- Math Counts Competition
 - Sander Cole won the individual competition
- Conferences were January 31, 2023
 - 66 students were represented
- Welcome to Alicia Greenough, new Special Education Teacher for students with emotional impairments

- National Speaker, Max Stossel
 - Social Awakening Program on social media
 - February 24, 2023
 - Presenting to the middle school at 10:30AM and to the high school at 9:00AM
 - The community will be able to attend at 6:30PM
 - Funding was received by a grant from the Youth Advisory Council
- March 1, 2023, Hot Topics Night: Creative Parenting: Responding to Challenging Behavior
- March 2 & 3, 2023, Band Festival
- March 6-11, 2023, 8th graders will be going to Washington DC
- March 15, 2023, Career Day

High School Updates - Mrs. Gamble gave an update on the high school

- Scheduling
 - Two meetings for parents to discuss scheduling
 - Two days for students to learn about courses that are offered
 - Recordings of the meetings were emailed out to parents
- 8th graders came to the high school
 - CTE program tour
 - Find Your Fit Club Expo in the library
 - Current teachers are making recommendations for students on the next course in their program
 - Available in PowerSchool for students and parents to review on February 23, 2023
 - Discuss schedule with counselors individually
- PBIS
 - High school students went to all four elementary
 - Trained to help in classroom
 - Relaunch of the Full Value Agreement on Thursday
 - Small assemblies at each grade level in conjunction with Reach Higher Thursday
- Black History month
 - Imbedded in all curriculum
- Snowcoming
 - Spirit days competition
 - Central Elementary hosted the Snowcoming dance
 - The community raised \$3132 for the Weaver family from Escanaba

- Quiz Bowl sent three teams in February
 - A Team won the Grand championship
 - B Team took first place and C Team took third place
- FFA Update
- Athletics Update
- Hall of Fame is this Friday night
- Northmen Night, March 10, 2023, at the Grand Unity Center from 6:00PM-10:00PM
- Steel Drum leaves for Mardi Gras
- Youth in Government leaves for Lansing

Director of Teaching and Learning

- Teachers are able to attend training conferences
- Tutoring
 - Teachers volunteer before and after school
 - Will continue through June
- Professional Development on Friday
 - Literacy work at elementary level
 - Teachers will have time to work vertically in the afternoon
 - Special education teachers will discuss IEP guidance
 - Handwriting Without Tears training
 - An elementary writing curriculum workgroup will be starting soon
 - Phasing back the curriculum workgroups
- Coaching focus will shift from second grade to first grade
- Future District Teaching and Learning meeting
 - Presenting STEM resources

13. Board of Education Reports

Trustee Petoskey

- Attended lunch at high school Bear River Bistro
- Attended the District Teaching and Learning meeting

Trustee Attie

- Attended the District Teaching and Learning meeting
- Attended a preschool meeting
- Attended the curriculum meeting at the high school as a parent
- The Michigan Association of School Boards has a monthly webinar for new Board members

Trustee Flynn

- Attended some meetings
- Enjoying the building newsletters
- Great to get to know all the administrators

Trustee Reed

- Attended the high school curriculum meeting
 - The information is very helpful for new parents

14. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent

- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month
 - CharEm ISD put together a video showcase of our CTE programs
 - These videos were posted on the District Facebook page
- Crooked Tree Wellness Clinic is open
 - Serves the Medicaid population in our area
 - Office hours are 7:00AM - 5:30PM
 - 2390 Mitchell Park Drive
- Pizza Pizzazz
 - February 27, 2023
 - Petoskey Education Foundation (PEF) fundraiser
 - 10% of sales goes back to PEF
 - Used for mini-grants and scholarships
- January public comment response
 - COMMENT: Disappointed that diversity was not discussed within the school community. Were there any activities completed in the schools for Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Unity Day?
 - RESPONSE: Many things were done across the district for both days. A list and a spreadsheet, of all the different activities that students were able to take part in, was shared with the Board.
- Received a grant for \$50,000 from the Kroeger Mainland Foundation to purchase Book Vending Machines
 - Two at each elementary school
 - One for upper and one for lower
 - The goal to have them up and running by the start of the school year
 - The machines only take tokens
 - Students are able to earn/receive tokens in various ways
 - For example, a student could receive a token for:
 - First day of school

- It is their birthday
- March is Reading month

15. Audience Participation

Becky Smith

- Thank you to Sam Fettig for helping out while Amy McMullen is on medical leave
- Sam will take over special education duties normally handled by Amy

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Moved to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Denise Petoskey and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Absent

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea

Denise Petoskey: Yea

Kathy Reed: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1