

**St. Johns Public Schools
St. Johns, Michigan
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Held on April 23, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 23, 2018, at the Wilson Center Board Room. Board President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Darragh, Dedyne, Drabek, Kirk, Nelson, Tennant, Watson

ATTENDANCE

Members Absent: Student Representative Ernst and Student Representative Tahvonen.

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Watson, to approve the agenda as printed.

**AGENDA
APPROVED**

Motion approved.

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Watson, to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2018, as corrected, and the Special Meeting Minutes from April 16, 2018.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Motion approved.

The district's Literacy Coaches, Ellen Marr, Hali Mehney, Elissa Rowland and Tammy Van Norman provided the Board of Education with an update on the Comprehensive Literacy Model they have implemented throughout the district.

**PRESENTATIONS
COMPREHENSIVE
LITERACY MODEL
IMPLEMENTATION
UPDATE**

There were none.

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS**

Curriculum Director Jason Gnegy provided information about a six year Curriculum Plan that will be implemented by the district for the 2018-2019 school year.

**REPORTS AND
INFORMATION
CURRICULUM/
INSTRUCTIONAL/
STAFF
DEVELOPMENT**

Athletic Director Chris Ervin provided the Board of Education with information about the district's Gymnastics program.

**GYMNASTIC TEAM
INFORMATION**

Special Education Supervisor Kim Ross expressed the need for the district to provide a representative for the CCRESA Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), as our current representative no longer qualifies as a candidate. A candidate for this position was presented to the Board of Education.

**CCRESA PARENT
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
REPRESENTATIVE**

Middle School Principal Adel DiOrio presented information to the Board of Education on an upcoming overnight, out-of-state trip the Middle School Orchestra will be taking to Chicago, Illinois.

**ST. JOHNS MIDDLE
SCHOOL
ORCHESTRA TRIP
TO CHICAGO, IL**

Middle School Principal Adel DiOrio presented information to the Board of Education on an upcoming overnight, out-of-state trip the Middle School Choir will be taking to Chicago, Illinois.

**ST. JOHNS MIDDLE
SCHOOL CHOIR
TRIP TO CHICAGO,
IL**

High School Principal Mark Palmer provided the Board of Education with information on an overnight, out-of-state trip that a student and staff are taking to the National BPA Contest in Dallas, Texas.

**ST. JOHNS HIGH
SCHOOL NATIONAL
BPA CONTEST TRIP
TO DALLAS, TX**

High School Principal Mark Palmer provided the Board of Education with information on an upcoming overnight, in-state trip the High School Forensics Team is taking to the State Championship in Auburn Hills, Michigan.

**ST. JOHNS HIGH
SCHOOL
FORENSICS STATE
CHAMPIONSHIP IN
AUBURN HILLS, MI**

High School Principal Mark Palmer provided the Board of Education with information of the upcoming overnight, in-state High School Marching Band camp in Tustin, Michigan.

**ST. JOHNS HIGH
SCHOOL MARCHING
BAND CAMP IN
TUSTIN, MI**

Interim Superintendent Pearson shared that Luke Kaiser has been hired as the Data Management Specialist for the district, and Stephanie Bush has been hired as the School Social Worker for the district.

NEW HIRE

Interim Superintendent Pearson informed the Board of Education of a retirement that the district recently received.

**STAFF
RETIREMENT**

Interim Superintendent Pearson informed the Board of Education of the recent termination of a district employee.

**STAFF
TERMINATION**

Motion by Member Tennant, supported by Member Watson, to approve the Consent Grouping Number VI - A1, B1, B2, C1, and D.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
GROUPING ITEMS**

Motion approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for March 2018:

11 General Fund	
25 Food Service Fund	\$1,661,384.59
31 1998 Debt Fund	69,393.69
33 2004 Refunding	00.00
35 2014 Refunding	00.00
36 2008 Debt Fund	00.00
37 2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	00.00
38 2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	00.00
41 Public Improvement Fund	00.00
48 2010 Series B Bond Payment	190,724.00
51 Scholarship/Trust Fund	0.00
61 Activity Fund	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	60,820.50
	\$1,932,322.70

Approved the hiring of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees:
 Luke Kaiser, Data Management Specialist, and Stephanie Bush, School
 Social Worker.

**NEW HIRE
 APPROVAL**

Approved the retirement of the following St. Johns Public Schools
 employee: Julie Kochensparger, High School Food Service.

**RETIREMENT
 APPROVAL**

Approved the termination of the following St. Johns Public School
 employee: Jennifer Bishop, Middle School Custodial Staff.

**TERMINATION
 APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Tennant, support by Member Nelson, to approve the
 proposed CCRESA 2018-2019 General Fund Budget Resolution.

**ACTION ITEMS
 CCRESA 2018-2019
 PROPOSED
 GENERAL FUND
 BUDGET
 RESOLUTION
 APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Kirk, supported by Member Nelson to approve the
 award of the Gateway North and Oakview South Elementary Schools
 roof replacement bid to Superior Services RSH, in the amount of
 \$392,900.00, as presented. Discussion followed about local vendors that
 had placed bids.

**GATEWAY NORTH
 AND OAKVIEW
 SOUTH
 ELEMENTARY
 SCHOOLS ROOF
 REPLACEMENT BID
 APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Member Dedyne, supported by Member Nelson, to approve the
 purchase of 61 replacement devices for the High School Business Labs in
 the amount not to exceed \$59,412.17, with funding provided by the State
 Aid Voc Ed Added Cost dollars, as presented.

**HIGH SCHOOL
 BUSINESS LABS
 COMPUTER
 REPLACEMENT
 APPROVAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by member Nelson, support by Member Tennant, to approve the fee of \$180.00 for Board President Darragh to attend the MASB Communications and Marketing Conference to be held on May 15, 2018, as presented.

**MASB
COMMUNICATIONS
AND MARKETING
CONFERENCE
APPROVAL**

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Member Kirk, supported by Member Tennant, to approve the appointment of Mark Horak, St. Johns High School Assistant Principal, to St. Johns High School Principal.

**APPOINTMENT OF
HIGH SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL**

Motion approved unanimously.

Interim Superintendent Pearson shared an update on the Senate appropriations committee. Also, the Friends of East Olive are still interested and will be coming in soon to sign a lease agreement. He extended his appreciation to Wendy Andrzejewski and the technology staff for their work this past week to resolve the network issues. Lastly, a meeting was held recently with HRS, community members, and the Wilson Center Committee to further discuss options for the Wilson Center.

**BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Member Drabek shared that the Policy Committee had met prior to this meeting, and will present the new and revised policies at the next meeting.

Wendy Corey – Parent – commented that if there is another co-op for the gymnastics team, she supports that. A lot of members of a nearby gymnastics club may be interested in participating in our program in the future. She also questioned the termination.

**PUBLIC AND
BOARD
COMMENTS**

Middle School Principal Adel Diorio reminded everyone of the Middle School play this coming weekend. Member Tennant mentioned that he talked with a high school student that has taken interest in the local gun safety issues. The Board of Education members thanked several staff members for all the work they have completed recently, and the new hires and appointments in the district. Member Darragh mentioned he visited the local library to view the art work on exhibit by our art students.

President Darragh adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Board Secretary
St. Johns Board of Education