

**St. Johns Public Schools  
St. Johns, Michigan  
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Held on May 21, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 21, 2018, at the Wilson Center Board Room. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

Members Absent: Kirk, Student Representative Tahvonen and Student Representative Ernst

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Nelson, to approve the agenda as presented. **Approved.**

**AGENDA APPROVED**

Motion by Member Watson, support by Member Tennant to approve the COW Meeting minutes from the meeting held on May 14, 2018.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES**

**Motion approved.**

Interim Superintendent Pearson recognized 10 district employees that have retired, or will be retiring at the end of this school year.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Network Supervisor Wendy Andrzejewski introduced Luke Kaiser as the Data Management Specialist for the district.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Luke Kaiser, Data Management Specialist for the district thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity to work here.

Building handbook revisions were provided to the Board of Education for their review.

**REPORTS AND  
INFORMATION  
BUILDING  
HANDBOOK  
UPDATES**

St. Johns Middle School Principal Adel DiOrio and staff members Kim Feldpausch, Cortny Toomey and Liane Matson, provided an update on the progress of the plan to maximize student achievement and opportunity at the Middle School.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
RESTRUCTURING  
FOLLOWUP**

Member Kirk arrived at 7:41pm.

**ARRIVAL OF BOARD  
MEMBER**

Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett provided information on the food service increase that is proposed for the 2018-2019 school year.

**FOOD SERVICE  
MEAL INCREASE**

Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett provided general information about the fiscal year budget for 2018-2019.

**2018-2019 BUDGET  
UPDATE**

President Darragh provided information about the MASB conference he attended recently.

**MASB CONFERENCE  
UPDATE**

Interim Superintendent Pearson informed the Board of Education of a recent trip the high school golf team took to Tullymore golf course in Stanwood, MI.

**HIGH SCHOOL GOLF  
TEAM TRIP TO  
STANWOOD, MI**

Interim Superintendent Pearson notified the Board of Education of an employee resignation received recently.

**STAFF  
RESIGNATION**

Interim Superintendent Pearson notified the Board of Education of an employee termination.

**STAFF  
TERMINATION**

Interim Superintendent Pearson notified the Board of Education of district employees that received layoff notices.

**LAYOFF NOTICES**

No discussion

**DISCUSSION ITEMS  
SUPERINTENDENT'S  
CONTRACT  
ADDENDUM**

No discussion

**TECHNOLOGY  
DEVICE  
REPLACEMENT  
PLAN**

No discussion

**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SUMMER ACADEMIC  
PROGRAM  
CONTRACT**

Interim Superintendent Pearson provided an update on the Wilson Center. The members of the Board of Education shared their view on what should happen with this project.

**WILSON CENTER  
UPDATE AND  
DIRECTION**

Motion by Member Watson, second by Member Tennant, to approve the consent grouping Number VII, A1, B1, B2, B3, C1, D1, D2, D3.

**APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT  
GROUPING  
ITEMS**

**Motion approved.**

Approved expenditures for the payment of bills for April, 2018:

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

General Fund	\$1,467,800.68
Food Service Fund	44,194.74
1998 Debt Fund	1,181,502.50
2013 Refunding	75.00
2014 Refunding	979,162.50
2008 Debt Fund	3,741,625.00
2010 (QSCB) Series A Debt Fund	859,185.66
2010 (BAB) Series B Debt Fund	2520.00
Public Improvement Fund	10,462.32
2010 Series B Bond Payment	0.00
Scholarship/Trust Fund	0.00
Activity Fund	36,067.37
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$8,322,595.77</b>

Approved the resignation of the following St. Johns Public Schools employees: Katelyn Miller – Elementary Music Teacher, Katie Hollis – High School Food Service Staff, Heidi Knodel – Eureka Elementary SSP.

**STAFF RESIGNATION  
APPROVAL**

Approved the termination of employment for the following individual: Torrie Nicholas-Adventure Club/Little Wings Program.

**STAFF TERMINATION  
APPROVAL**

Approved placing the following St. Johns Public Schools employees on layoff status: Christie Koenigsknect – High School SSP, Nichole McCastle – Middle School SSP, Angela O'Rourke – Gateway North Elementary SSP.

**LAYOFF NOTICE  
APPROVAL**

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Kirk, to approve the addendum to the Contract of Employment for the incoming Superintendent, Mark Palmer, as presented.

**ACTION ITEMS  
SUPERINTENDENT'S  
CONTRACT  
ADDENDUM  
APPROVAL**

**Motion approved.**

Motion by Member Kirk, support by Member Drabek, to approve the transfer of the following district employee: Zane Ballard – St. Johns High School Teacher to St. Johns High School Assistant Principal.

**TRANSFER FROM  
HIGH SCHOOL  
TEACHER TO HIGH  
SCHOOL ASSISTANT  
PRINCIPAL  
APPROVAL**

**Motion approved.**

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Watson, to approve the recommendation to purchase the Epson PowerLite X39 projector from the REMC Save Project in the amount of \$16,844.16, coming from the Technology Capital Projects fund, as presented.

**TECHNOLOGY  
DEVICE  
REPLACEMENT PLAN  
PROJECTOR  
REPLACEMENT PLAN**

**Motion approved.**

Motion by Member Watson, support by Member Drabek, to approve the recommendation to purchase student Chromebooks, desktops, laptops, tablets, and device carts in the amount of \$608,168.04 from the REMC Save Project and annual SPOT bids, coming from the 2017-2018 Technology Capital Projects and the 2018-2019 Chromebook Technology Capital Projects, \$21,156 of the remaining funds from the Technology Capital Projects from the projector replacement project, and \$21,000 from the Technology Department budget, as presented.

**STUDENT DEVICE  
REPLACEMENT PLAN**

**Motion approved.**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Nelson, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the EPIC Summer Camp Services Agreement dated May 10, 2018, in the amount of \$39,750, as presented.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SUMMER ACADEMIC  
PROGRAM  
CONTRACT  
APPROVAL**

**Motion approved.**

Motion by Member Nelson, support by Member Dedyne, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the date change of the July Organizational Meeting to Monday, July 9, 2018, as presented.

**CHANGING DATE FOR  
JULY  
ORGANIZATIONAL  
MEETING APPROVAL**

**Motion approved.**

Interim Superintendent Pearson provided information on some House Bills. He also thanked the Board of Education for allowing him to serve.

**BOARD  
COMMUNICATIONS  
SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT**

Many Board of Education members commended Adel DiOrio and the middle school staff on their presentation. They also congratulated the retirees, and thanked Interim Superintendent Pearson for his efforts and leadership.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD  
COMMENTS**

Motion by Member Watson, support by Member Nelson, that the St. Johns Board of Education go into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving information on a tentative contract agreement with the St. Johns Student Support Personnel and for an update on other negotiations.

**MOVE INTO  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion approved unanimously via roll call vote at 9:22pm.**

The Board of Education returned from Executive Session at 9:32pm.

**RETURN FROM  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Member Kirk, support by Member Drabek, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the 2018-2019 master agreement with the St. Johns Student Support Personnel as presented.

**ACTION ITEM  
ST. JOHNS STUDENT  
SUPPORT  
PERSONNEL  
CONTRACT  
APPROVAL**

**Motion approved unanimously via roll call vote.**

President Darragh adjourned the meeting at 9:32pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary  
St. Johns Board of Education