# Wolverine Community Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting February 12th, 2018

The regular meeting of the Wolverine Community Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, February 12th, 2018 in the elementary multi-purpose room. President Troy Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Nelson, Ashenfelter, Poznanski, Whitcomb, Brado, Stafford, Levernier ABSENT: None

ROLL CALL

Motion by Levernier second by Stafford to approve the minutes from the January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 regular meeting. All aye. None opposed. Motion passed.

**MINUTES** 

Motion by Nelson second by Brado to adopt the agenda. All aye, none opposed. Motion carried.

**AGENDA** 

Audience with Individuals - None

**AUDIENCE** 

Written Communications – Thank-you card from all staff to the Board, WCS tumbler and snacks provided by PTSO, WEA and Support.

WRITTEN COM.

Superintendent/K-6 Principal Report – Attached MS/HS Principal Report – Attached Finance Director Report –

**REPORTS** 

Finance Director Vizina gave a verbal report on the FICA exempt status on the 3% employee state refund issue; presented the board with copies of the State Aid Status Report followed by a lengthy overview.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A.D. Matt Bolinger and guest Rod Brag provided information regarding 8-Man Football; Board concerns regarding costs, among other issues---open to further thought; Supt. Seelye and A.D. will bring more updated info for the Board's consideration.

8-MAN FOOTBALL

Payment of Bills --

Motion by Nelson second by Brado to pay bills as presented in the amount of \$193,359.39-[Breakdown attached]. Roll call: All yes. Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Supt Seelye received two bids for LED lighting. Because the cost exceeds the state threshold, we are required to advertise for bids. Supt. will bring LED lighting issue to next meeting. [Discussion only, no vote taken].

LED LIGHTING

Motion by Nelson second by Whitcomb to adopt the <u>Pathways to Potential Worker</u> program as provided by DHHS, which will provide a worker 2 days per week at WCS to assist families with needs, such as getting assistance from the state. Roll Call: All yes. Motion carried.

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Motion by Ashenfelter with Levernier supporting to approve Wayne Goddard as returning track coach; and also add Chantel Woods as J-V coach, provided there are enough participants to make a team. Roll call: All yes. Motion carried.

TRACK &
JV COACHES

Discussion on school bus leasing; looking into 3-year lease 89-passenger buses. Supt. Seelye will keep moving forward on the issue. [Discussion only; no action taken]

BUS LEASING DISCUSSION

Member Nelson made a motion to have the Finance Committee meet with the superintendent and make needed changes to the general ledger activity account. Member Poznanski seconded. Roll call: All yes. Motion approved.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNT

Supt. Seelye gave a video presentation on WCS's progress according to MI SCHOOL DATA.

SCHOOL PROGRESS

Motion by Levernier with second by Brado to enter into executive session at 8:07 pm. to discuss support staff negotiations and superintendent evaluation. Roll call: All yes. Motion approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Poznanski second by Stafford to reconvene to open session at 9:25 p.m. Roll Call — All yes. Motion carried.

**RECONVENE** 

Brado made a motion with support by Whitcomb to hire Alison Nelson to the elementary secretary position (part-time position) at \$15.28/hour pending her meeting with the Finance Committee. Roll Call: Whitcomb yes, Ashenfelter yes, Nelson abstain, Poznanski no, Brado yes, Stafford no, Levernier yes. 1 Abstention, 2 No, 4 Yes – Motion carried.

ELEMENTARY SECRETARY

Motion by Whitcomb seconded by Brado to hire Bryan Seelye to the MS/HS secretary position at \$15.28/hour pending his meeting with the Finance Committee. Roll call: Ashenfelter yes, Whitcomb yes, Poznanski yes, Brado yes, Levernier yes, Nelson yes, Stafford yes. Motion carried.

MS/HS SECRETARY

Member Poznanski proposed implementing a nepotism policy going forward. A brief board discussion ensued.

NEPOTISM POLICY PROP.

Member Levernier exited the meeting at approximately 9:33 p.m.

Stafford made the motion to adjourn with support by Whitcomb.
Roll call: Nelson yes, Stafford yes, Whitcomb yes, Levernier absent, Ashenfelter yes, Brado yes, Poznanski yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

ADJOURN-MENT

## **Superintendent Report**

To: Wolverine School Board

From: Stephen C. Seelye, Superintendent

Date: February 12, 2018

<u>Homecoming</u> – We have a fun filled week planned for our students with Spirit Week and an assembly culminated by our Homecoming Game vs. Mackinaw City on Friday night and our Homecoming Dance Saturday evening.

State Librarian Visit – The State of Michigan Librarian Randy Riley will be visiting our school on Wednesday, February 21 in an effort to increase customer service from the Michigan Department of Education.

<u>Mackinaw Bridge Presentation</u> – Terry Speck, father to elementary student Sam Speck was in to present to our elementary student body about the Mackinaw Bridge. Terry works on the bridge and did a great job captivating our students.

<u>Busy Past Friday</u> – This past Friday was the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school and our kindergarten and first grade students were busy learning and celebrating. Our schools participated in Jammies for Jase to help support an area family dealing with a very difficult medical situation with their 3 year old son Jase. Finally our annual Snakes Alive presentation took place for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

<u>Board Appreciation</u> – I'd like to sincerely thank all board members for their time and dedication towards constant improvement of our district for the betterment of our students. I see firsthand how deeply you care and how hard you work. Thank you for all that you do for Wolverine Community Schools.

Respectfully,

Stephen C. Seelye

Superintendent / Elementary Principal

**Wolverine Community Schools** 

### **MS/HS Principal**

To: Wolverine School Board

From: Tammy VanAntwerp-MS/HS Principal

Date: February 12, 2018

MS/HS Student Enrollment: 129

**Discipline Issues: 3** 

#### End of 1st semester:

 Report cards and Wolverine Wildcat Newsletter will be mailed home last Friday. (Wildcat Tracks attached)

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Classes

Students' schedules will be ready to begin their 2<sup>nd</sup> semester on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Sturgeon Valley Campground**

Ross Livingston offered his 85 acres on the Sturgeon River for teachers and student use. He
would love to have a partnership with our school to help in any way possible.

#### **Team Building**

 Mrs. Hanel and Mrs. Wagar led our team building activities in the month of January. Teams took an area of the school to decorate for spirit week.

#### **Straitsland Resorter/NCMC**

Jonel Emlaw a senior at WHS is spending the first two hours of her day as a byline writer for the
Straitsland Resorter. She is using this internship to develop her skills as a journalist. Hunter
Green is also a senior at WHS, but is taking a dual enrollment classes on NCMC campus. His
rigorous schedule in addition to his prior year's dual enrollment classes are going to have him
graduating from NCMC with his associate's degree before he graduates from WCS.

#### Schedule of classes 2018-19

We have submitted two schedules for review of the 2018-19 school year. While at the COPESD meeting this week, Mr. Brian Seelye will be using these schedules to create a master schedule in Power School and learn about new and existing portions of Power School that we have not been utilizing in the past.

#### **Senior Night**

 We have 9 Senior Athletes that will be recognized for their sportsmanship and dedication on February 15<sup>th</sup> between the JV/V girls basketball game.

#### **Spirit Week/Homecoming**

February 16<sup>th</sup> is our Staff vs JV boy's game at 5p.m and our Varsity Boy's Homecoming Game
against Mackinaw City at 6p.m. Our HS Student Council and Mr. Sturtevant have fun days
planned this week to promote school spirit. Monday: America, Tuesday: Punk Day, Wednesday:
Wacky Day, Thursday: Scholars vs Sporty, and Friday: Blue and Gold Day. Our WHS
Homecoming Dance will be on Saturday evening in our elementary multipurpose room.

#### **Kirtland College**

• I have been working with Tom Quinn at Kirtland to get information about a possible 5 year program. I will be touring the Gaylord and Grayling Campus on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.