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Board of Education
Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 11, 2016

Welcome: This regular meeting of the Cassopolis Board of Education was held on Monday, April 11, 2016 in the Board meeting room at Squires Education Center and called to order at 7:00 pm, as President Ward welcomed those attending.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Amanda Smego, Deb Deubner, George Calvert, Sue Horstmann, Scott Ward

Members Absent: Lisa Cutting, Jesse Binns

Also present: Tracy Hertsel, Cindy Martynowicz and staff member

George Calvert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda – **Moved by** George Calvert, **supported by** Amanda Smego to approve the agenda, as presented. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Deubner, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Approval of Minutes: **Moved by** Sue Horstmann, **supported by** George Calvert to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of March 28, 2016, as written. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Deubner, yes; Horstmann, yes; Smego, yes; Calvert, yes; Ward, yes.

Communications or correspondence – None.

Reports, Information Items from School Staff – None.

Public Comment – None.

New Business – Discussion Item –

Proposal to increase Superintendent spending towards change orders in the 2015 bond project to the competitive bid threshold/state statutory limit – Mr. Hertsel said that the statutory limit is \$23,230 but we are requesting the motion be stated to the state limit because it is changed often at the state level. This is in case unforeseen emergencies come up during construction. He would notify the Board if this happens. Mr. Hertsel said that this item would apply only to projects for the 2015 bond.

Mr. Ward said that this is something that was done with the last bond project, it is done in case situations arise that need to be resolved quickly.

Old Business – Action Item -

Proposal to increase Superintendent spending towards change orders in the 2015 bond project to the competitive bid threshold/state statutory limit – **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** George Calvert that it is hereby resolved the Superintendent is authorized to spend towards change orders in the 2015 bond project up to the competitive bid threshold/state statutory limit. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Deubner, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Superintendent Report – Mr. Hertsel reported as follows:

- He will host a community meeting on April 19th at 7 pm in the high school auditorium.
- Reviewed bus inspections.
- The next Board meeting, April 25th, will be at the Ross Beatty auditorium, and we will recognize students from recent competitions. There will be a reception at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria.
- Will attend a seminar sponsored by Thrun Law Firm in Kalamazoo with other administrators.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education it was **moved by** George Calvert, **supported by** Deb Deubner to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm. All in favor.

Susan Horstmann, Secretary