

**Cassopolis Public Schools
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**Board of Education
Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 9, 2018**

Welcome: This regular meeting of the Cassopolis Board of Education was held on Monday, April 9, 2018 in the Board meeting room at Squires Education Center, and called to order at 6:35 p.m., as President Ward welcomed those attending.

Roll Call: Members present: Lisa Cutting, George Calvert, Sue Horstmann, Deb Deubner, Amanda Smego, Jesse Binns, Scott Ward

Also present: Dr. Angela Piazza, Dave VanLue, Jeff Wernette, Jason Messner, Dee Voss, Brooke Brawley, Karen Blaha, Glen Barr, Geri Vlasticak and Cindy Martynowicz

Jesse Binns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ward welcomed all to tonight's meeting of the School Board of Education. He stated that the purpose of this public meeting is to conduct the business of the School Corporation and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated by the agenda.

Mission: To ensure that all students achieve the educational and life skills necessary to be successful in today's ever-changing society.

Vision: All students will demonstrate the academic, technological, and cultural competencies necessary to compete in a global society.

We will keep these statements at the forefront of all business decisions.

Approval of the Agenda: **Moved by** George Calvert to approve the agenda, as presented.

Moved by Deb Deubner, **supported by** George Calvert to amend the agenda by removing the following requests from Robotics for overnight trips: Discussion Item A and Action Item F – request to attend state convention; and, Discussion Item B and Action Item G – request to attend world championships.

Vote was then taken on the motion to amend the agenda, which **motion carried**, 7-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Cutting, yes; Deubner, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Moved by George Calvert, **supported by** Jesse Binns to approve the agenda, as amended. **Motion passed** 7-0, as follows: Deubner, yes; Cutting, yes; Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Approval of Minutes: **Moved by** Jesse Binns, **supported by** Lisa Cutting to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 26, 2018, as written. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Smego, yes; Binns, yes; Cutting, yes; Deubner, yes; Ward, yes.

Superintendent's Report:

Curriculum Update: Mrs. Blaha and Mrs. Brawley distributed information to Board members and then reported on Title 3 requirements.

Board Committee Reports:

Athletic: No report.

Building & Grounds/Transportation: No report.

Curriculum: No report.

Personnel/Finance: Mrs. Horstmann said that the Personnel Committee met before tonight's Board meeting. Discussion focused on budget adjustments and they began planning for end of year activities, staff evaluation.

Public Comment: None.

New Business – Action Item:

Hire: **Moved by** Lisa Cutting, **supported by** Jesse Binns that Diane Alford be awarded the position of 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Horstmann, yes; Cutting, yes; Smego, yes; Calvert, yes; Deubner, yes; Binns, yes; Ward, yes.

New Business – Discussion Item: None.

Old Business – Action Items:

Jr. High Robotics Request: **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** George Calvert to approve the request from the Junior High Robotics Club to attend the Detroit RTC World Championships from April 24-28, 2018. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Deubner, yes; Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Cutting, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Revised Policy 6325, Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds: **Moved by** Amanda Smego, **supported by** Jesse Binns that the revisions to Policy 6325, Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds, is approved, as presented. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Smego, yes; Deubner, yes; Cutting, yes; Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Binns, yes; Ward, yes.

February, 2018 Financials: **Moved by** Lisa Cutting, **supported by** George Calvert that financials from February, 2018 are approved as follows: General Fund \$275,883.32; and, Food Service Fund \$40,942.15. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Cutting, yes; Deubner, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

2017-18 Budget Revisions: **Moved by** Amanda Smego, **supported by** Jesse Binns that the 2017-18 budget revisions for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, Debt Service Fund, Sinking Fund and 2015 Bond Capital Projects Fund are approved, as presented. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Cutting, yes; Binns, yes; Deubner, yes; Horstmann, yes; Smego, yes; Calvert, yes; Ward, yes.

Resolution to Rescind Motion on Sale of Red Brick and Property: **Moved by** Jesse Binns, **supported by** Lisa Cutting that it is hereby resolved that the Board motion adopted December 16, 2016, for the sale of the Red Brick School and property is hereby rescinded.

Mrs. Deubner said that she is uncomfortable rescinding the prior motion until the prospective buyer is contacted. Mrs. Smego said that she did not feel the Board had enough information to rescind the motion for sale of the property.

Mr. Ward said that contact has been made with the prospective buyer. A deposit was not put on the property and there is no signed purchase agreement. Ms. Cutting said that the prospective buyer was contacted in October and has made no effort to reach out regarding this matter.

Motion carried 4-3, as follows: Cutting, yes; Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Deubner, no; Smego, no; Binns, no; Ward, yes.

Miscellaneous Administrative Items: Mr. Ward read the following items into the record:

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| April 20 | No School for Students/Teacher PD Day |
| May 8 | Half Day for Students/Teacher PD in afternoon |
| May 14 | Regular Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Squires Education Center |

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education it was **moved by** George Calvert and **supported by** Jesse Binns to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Susan Horstmann, Secretary