

**Cassopolis Public Schools
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**Board of Education
Minutes
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2018**

Welcome: This regular meeting of the Cassopolis Board of Education was held on Monday, June 11, 2018 in the auditorium at Ross Beatty Jr./Sr. High School, and was called to order at 6:32 p.m., as President Ward welcomed those attending.

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

Also present: Dr. Angela Piazza, Renee Manno, Karen Blaha, Matt Brawley, Glen Barr, Geri Vlasticak, Forrest Gasper, Brooke Brawley, Deb Stermer, Cindy Martynowicz, students, parents and community members

Sue Horstmann 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, **supported by** Jesse Binns to approve the agenda, as presented. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Deubner, yes; Ward, yes.

Approval of Minutes: **Moved by** Sue Horstmann, **supported by** George Calvert to approve the minutes from the May 29, 2018 special meeting, as written. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Deubner, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Ward, yes.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Piazza said that she was pleased to welcome some very special attendees to tonight's meeting. Ross Beatty Jr./Sr. High School students with All A's, All A's & B's, or Perfect Attendance for the entire school year were being recognized by the Board tonight. Dr. Piazza asked Mr. Brawley to come forward and read the names of these students. Whether they were in attendance or not, Dr. Piazza asked for each student's name to be read into the record for recognition, which was done as follows:

All A's – Amy Adams, Brandon Anderson, Lauren Anderson, Claudia Arvizu, Kennedy Brooks, Hailey Christopher, Megan Evans, Hilbert Evans Jr., Lane Francis, Makinna Gay, Chayla Gould, Kyleigh Gould, Grayson Hagenbuch, Devin Hawkins, Taylor Herwick, Hailey Hunsberger, Eliza McGinn, Elizabeth Merckx, Kaitlyn Owen, Shane Patraruong, William Poitras, Nicholas Prestly, Otto Reick IV, Gabriella Rowan,

Sophie Stuhr, Madison Suseland, Karlee Talbot, Layla True, Allison Tusin, Katelyn Waldschmidt, Skylar Westphal, Mikayla Williams, Reese Williams, Kendon Williams, Alyssa Wright, Danny Young.

All A's & B's – Prima Amornvuthivorn, Matthew Anderson, Lynnzee Armstrong, Ayline Arvizu, Maile Barber, Aaron Bealor, Collin Bogue, Sydney Brooks, Austin Bruens, Trevor Bruens, Adrian Butrick, Ariana Cooper, Maggie Coyle, Aiden Dahlgren, Darrion Gatson, Tristin Gless, James Dylan Green, Hannah Harris, Kiersten Hartsell, Tyrese Hunt-Thompson, Justine Johansen, Jasmine Kadlec, Karly Kelley, Justin King, Jonathan Leach, Anna Leach, Hayley Lloyd, Akaya Mase, Cacy May, Daniel McCleery, Selena McGrew, Kassondra Milligan, Alexis Millirans, Annaleese Morse, Antonia Naumann, Keith Porter, Kantharee Ratsamy, Makayla Reagan, Cody Redmond, Zander Ruiz, Kathryn Shellhorn, Grace Silverthorn, Kierra Smith, Xander Smith, Kailen Sopraseuth, Makenzee Souers, Galen Stahl, Caitlyn Steensma, Caleb Steensma, Alana Tice, Tiffany Tingley, Jim Mei Tusin, Thomas Tusin, Nylea Vanhphoumy, Kailin Vanhphoumy, Elizabeth Vanhphoumy, Addison Ward, Aidan Ward, Hailey Wellman, Tristan Westrate, Brayden Westrate, Jeremiah Whickum-Ray, Rachel Williams, Jadin Wolfe

Perfect Attendance – Kaleb Collins, Ariana Cooper, Kyleigh Gould, Galen Stahl, Tiffany Tingley, Addison Ward

Michigan History Presentation – Dr. Piazza introduced Ruth Andrews and three of the four members of the Michigan History Team. Mrs. Andrews said that she is the Team Coach and the team members would present a sampling of their play. Mrs. Andrews said the team did very well at regionals and took their fifth trip to State competition. Presenting were: Anna Leach, Keith Porter and Jadin Wolfe.

Recognition of Retirees – Desiree Mooney and Donna Warren – Dr. Piazza presented gifts of appreciation to Mrs. Mooney and Mrs. Warren. Mrs. Mooney retired from the District in December after teaching for 31.5 years; and, Mrs. Warren is retiring this week after 34 years teaching in the District, and she has taught for a total of 40 years overall. Dr. Piazza thanked both teachers for the tremendous job they have done for our students over the years.

Board Committee Reports:

Athletic: No report.

Building & Grounds/Transportation: No report.

Curriculum: No report.

Personnel/Finance: No report.

Public Comment: None.

New Business – Action Items

Hire – Reading Specialist / RTI Building Coach: **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** George Calvert that Lauren Sheeley is awarded the position of Reading Specialist/RTI Building Coach, beginning with the 2018-19 school year. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Deubner, yes; Binns, yes; Ward, yes.

Hires – Summer School Teachers: **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** Jesse Binns that Cristy Ernst and Alicia McCoy are awarded the positions of Summer School Teachers. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Deubner, yes; Ward, yes.

Retirement of Donna Warren: **Moved by** Sue Horstmann, **supported by** George Calvert to accept the retirement of Donna Warren, with many thanks for her years of dedicated service to the District. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Deubner, yes; Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Ward, yes.

New Business – Discussion Items

2017-18 Final Budget Presentation: Geri Vlasticak presented the final budgets for the General Fund, Food Service Fund, Sinking Fund, Debt Services Fund and 2015 Bond Capital Projects Fund. There were no questions.

2018-19 Preliminary Budget Presentation: Geri Vlasticak presented the preliminary budgets for 2018-19 for the following funds: General, Food Service, Sinking, Debt Services and 2015 Bond Capital Projects. She said that it is anticipated state aid may be slightly higher per student next year. There were no questions.

2018-19 State Aid Borrowing Resolution: Geri Vlasticak said that the District will borrow \$1.3 million for the 2018-19 school year. There were no questions.

Old Business – Action Items

Award Position of Sam Adams Elementary School Principal: **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** Sue Horstmann to award the position of Sam Adams Elementary School Principal to Debora Stermer for the 2018-19 school year. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Calvert, yes; Horstmann, yes; Binns, yes; Deubner, yes; Ward, yes.

Award Position of Ross Beatty Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal: **Moved by** Deb Deubner, **supported by** George Calvert to award the position of Ross Beatty Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal to Matthew Brawley for the 2018-19 school year. **Motion carried** 5-0, as follows: Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Deubner, yes; Binns, yes; Ward, yes.

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

June 25 Regular Board Meeting, Squires Education Center, 6:30 p.m.

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 7:05 p.m.

Susan Horstmann, Secretary