

Cassopolis Public Schools
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Board of Education
Minutes
Community Support Committee
August 10, 2023

Welcome: This Special meeting of the Cassopolis Board of Education was at Cassopolis High School in the Media Center on Thursday August 10, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m., as Committee Chair Deubner welcomed those attending. Teresa Dahlgren led the Pledge.

Roll Call:

Board of Education Members present: Heather Beaudoin, Teresa Dahlgren, and Deb Deubner.

Also Present: Lindsay Gorham-Pflug, Yara Neuerburg, Tammi Preston, Dr. Ritzler, Lauren Sheeley, Beth Westrick, and members of the public.

Agenda:

Moved by Heather Beaudoin, **supported by** Teresa Dahlgren to approve the agenda as presented. There was no discussion. **Motion carried** 3 – 0 Yes – Beaudoin, Dahlgren and Deubner. No – 0

Additional Public Comment:

There was no additional public comment.

Open Forum: Discussion

The district is implementing a volunteer handbook to accompany the chaperone/volunteer form that was made available as a draft to community members attending the meeting.

Continued discussion of ways to alleviate concerns for teachers of classroom needs so that they can focus on teaching the students. Different ways to communicate these needs to the community, as well as how often, were discussed.

Organizations that are working with the school to provide food and items to the school were mentioned as well as community members that are donating time, clothing items, free haircuts, and other items at the back-to-school bash.

Staff in the Administration office is working to create a form accessible online that will allow parents or guardians to update their contact information. This will make updating information easier and allow us to keep contact information accurate. They have also printed out sheets for every student that will be at the open house for parents to confirm the accuracy of the information that we have.

Glitches were discovered with our all-call system. Mrs. Westrick will reach out to our all-call company to address this.

Encouraging PTO community involvement was discussed.

Ideas were shared for ways to host large volunteer/student events and while still considering student safety issues.

Questions about after school supervision program for middle school students.

Future meetings will be held every other month moving forward.

Adjournment:

Moved by Teresa Dahlgren, **supported by** Heather Beaudoin to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Submitted by Beth Westrick
Teresa Dahlgren, Secretary