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PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF PETOSKEY

Regular School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 6:00 PM

Spitler Administration Building, 1130 Howard Street, Petoskey, MI 49770

Mark Ashley: Present

Jenni Attie: Present

Beth Flynn: Present

Denise Petoskey: Present

Kathy Reed: Absent

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Called to order at 6:00PM.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance

President Petoskey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

4. Presentation: Polaris Program Update

A presentation was provided to the Board.

5. Resolution: Approval of Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2025
- Special Meeting Minutes, February 3, 2025
- Closed Session Meeting Minutes, February 3, 2025 (walked in)

Moved that the written minutes be approved as recorded. This motion, made by Mark Ashley and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea

Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6. Resolution: Approval of Warrants

Moved that the warrants paid, as submitted by the administration, be approved in the amount of \$3,437,010.01. This motion, made by Jenni Attie and seconded by Mark Ashley, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7. Discussion: Out of Formula Projection

Discussion took place regarding out of formula funding.

8. Resolution: Approval - Change in Regular Meeting Date

Moved to change the date of the May Regular Board of Education meeting from Tuesday, May 20, 2025, to Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 6:00PM. This motion, made by Beth Flynn and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

9. Resolution: Approval - Set Special Meeting Date

Moved to schedule a Special Meeting on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 6:00PM to be held at the Spitler Administration Building. This motion, made by Mark Ashley and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea

Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10. Resolution: Approval – Little Northmen Preschool Programming & Payment Structure
Moved to approve that Little Northmen preschool continue with their five day a week, non GSRP, district programming and adjust to free tuition, prioritizing the children of PSP staff and Petoskey residents, for the 2025-2026 school year. This motion, made by Jenni Attie and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

11. Resolution: Approval - 2023 Bond - Security/Technology Bid Award (walked-in)
Moved to award the contracts as recommended by the district architect TowerPinkster. This motion, made by Beth Flynn and seconded by Mark Ashley, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

12. Resolution: Approval - January 2025 Board Policies Updates
Moved to approve the January 2025 policy updates as provided by Thrun Law Firm. This motion, made by Jenni Attie and seconded by Mark Ashley, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

13. Educational Reports

Elementary Updates provided by Mark Oberman on the topics below:

- Third, fourth, and fifth grade ski trips
- Third grade swim lessons
- Student council activities
- Talent Show
- Enrichment Play
- Music concerts
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Winter carnivals

Middle School Updates provided by Jon Wilcox on the topics below:

- Ski and snowboard club
- Avalanche Bay field trip
- PBIS committee
- Fifth grade transition day
- Spelling Bee
- ALICE program for students
- Studer survey
- Upcoming activities
- Citizens' award given to Mel Zamarron
- DC Trip

High School Updates provided by Deidra Gamble on the topics below:

- Professional development
- 5D building goals
- Eighth grade students to visit high school CTE programs
- Upcoming activities
- Northmen Night

Teaching and Learning Updates provided by Becky Smith on the topics below:

- Professional development highlights
- DTLC
- Kindergarten round up

Special Education Updates provided by Jodi Beatty on the topics below:

- ParaEducator Bootcamp highlights
- Elementary Special Education teacher Fundamentals training

- Special Education Programming Committee

14. Board of Education Reports

Trustee Flynn:

- Eighth grade transitions

Trustee Attie:

- Open Meetings Act webinar
- Snowcoming Pep Assembly
- Sheridan's PBIS
- Lincoln's talent show

Trustee Ashley:

- PEF Golf Event
- Basketball games
- Bond meeting

Trustee Petoskey:

- Imagery Committee
- Sheridan PBIS Assembly
- State of the Community
- DTLC

15. Financial Report

Dr. Leslie presented a financial report.

16. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Leslie provided an update on the topics below:

- State budget
- Band pre-festival concert
- Pizza Pizzazz
- Studer Survey
- Resignations/Retirements
 - Amy Cummins
 - Megan Hintz
 - Ray Swidorski

17. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

18. Resolution: Closed Session

Moved that the Board of Education convene in closed session pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to consider a student reinstatement petition for a student whose identity is known to the Board. Roll Call Vote:. This motion, made by Mark Ashley and seconded by Beth Flynn, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

19. Return to Open Session

Return to Open Session at 8:20PM.

Move that Student A be reinstated in the Public Schools of Petoskey with the condition that the student follow a reentry plan developed by PHS administration. This motion, made by Beth Flynn and seconded by Mark Ashley, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

20. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:23PM.

Moved to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Mark Ashley and seconded by Jenni Attie, Passed.

Mark Ashley: Yea
Jenni Attie: Yea
Beth Flynn: Yea
Denise Petoskey: Yea
Kathy Reed: Absent
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1