

MINUTES
HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 21, 2023

Members Present: Baltensperger, Christopherson, Foltz, Leonard, Burns

Members Absent: Massaway

Also Present: Administrators, Hill, Filpus, Klein, Scullion, Fay,
Marcotte; Colette Patchin, Garrett Neese, Jason Evans

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Mr. Burns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m... Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Christopherson moved to appoint Mr. Baltensperger as temporary Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Presentation

Kirk Mills, SRO gave a presentation on his role in the district.

4. Consent Agenda

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the minutes of the July 17, 2023 regular meeting, the August 10, 2023 Personnel/Policy Committee meeting, the August 15, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting and August financial statements and bills in the amount of \$943,058.64. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Administrative Reports

Mrs. Scullion, Ms. Filpus and Mr. Klein reported on events occurring in their buildings. Mr. Fay gave an update on athletics. Mr. Hill gave a report on events occurring in the district.

6. MASB, MASA & CCASB Reports

There were no MASB, MASA, or CCASB reports.

7. Discussion/Action Items

1) Resolution to Accept the Resignation of Rob Fay, HPTS Board Vice President

Mr. Leonard with support from Mr. Christopherson moved that the Board accept the resignation of Rob Fay, HPTS Board Vice President. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Resolution to Appoint HPTS Board of Education Vice President

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board appoint Scott Leonard as the HPTS Board of Education Vice President. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Resolution to Appoint New Board Member

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Christopherson moved that the Board appoint Mike Salmi as a HPTS Board Trustee. Motion carried unanimously.

4) Resolution to Continue Using WillSub

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board approve a resolution to continue using WillSub for the hiring of substitute teachers, food service workers and others as needed. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Resolution to accept the 2023-2024 Athletic, Employee, Elementary, Middle and High School Handbooks

Mr. Leonard with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board accept the 2023-2024 Athletic, Employee, Elementary, Middle and High School Handbooks. Motion carried unanimously.

6) Resolution to Approve the Houghton High School Course Listing

Mr. Christopherson with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board approve the Houghton High School Course Listing. Motion carried unanimously.

7) Resolution to Hire New Teaching Personnel

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the hiring of:

Alisha Pihlaja - ES Teacher
Karen Jarvis - ES Teacher
Rob Fay - Athletic Director
Margo Hall - ES Teacher
Jessica Schuett - ES Teacher

Motion carried unanimously.

8) Approval of Fall Athletic Coaches

Mr. Leonard with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board approve the hiring of fall athletic coaches for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

9) Resolution to Approve a Two (2) Year Contract With Lamers

Mr. Christopherson with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve a two (2) year contract with Lamers. Motion carried unanimously.

10) Resolution to Approve the Bid for Additional Cameras and Card Readers from Accurate Networks for \$52,310.70

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board approve the bid for additional cameras and card readers from Accurate Networks for \$52,310.70. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11) Resolution to Approve Contract with Mill Creek North for Kitchen Design and Renovation Consulting for \$37,000.00.

Mr. Christopherson with support from Mr. Foltz moved to approve a contract with Mill Creek North for kitchen design and renovation consulting for \$37,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

- 12) Resolution to Revert to Athletic Ticket Pricing From the 2022-2023 School Year

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Leonard moved to approve reverting to the athletic ticket pricing from the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

- 13) Resolution to approve the July Policy Updates Recommended by Thrun

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Christopherson moved to approve the July Policy Updates Recommended by Thrun. Motion carried unanimously.

- 14) Round Table/Discussion

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Christopherson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Baltensperger adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Patchin, Acting Secretary

Brent Burns, Board Secretary