

MINUTES  
HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
June 21, 2021

Members Present: Christopherson, Fay, Foltz, Leonard, Massaway, Burns

Members Absent: Baltensperger

Also Present: Administrators Kramer, Klein, Hill, Sanregret, Marcotte;  
Colette Patchin, Garrett Neese

The public hearing regarding the budget began at 5:45 p.m. Mrs. Marcotte reviewed the 2020-2021 revised budget and the 2021-2022 proposed budget. There being no further business, Mr. Christopherson closed the public hearing at 5:55 p.m.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Mr. Christopherson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

The Board received public comment.

3. Presentation

The Board presented John Christianson - 2021 Outstanding Education Employee Award

4. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the minutes of the May 17, 2021 regular Board meeting, the June 2, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting, and the May financial statements and bills in the amount of \$302,313.88. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Administrative Reports

Mr. Hill and Mr. Klein reported on events occurring in their buildings. Mr. Sanregret gave an update on athletics. Ms. Kramer gave a report on events occurring in the district.

6. MASA & MASB Reports

There was no MASB report. Ms. Kramer gave a MASA report.

7. Discussion/Action Items

1) Resolution to approve the Monthly Covid19 Instructional Delivery Method

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board approve a resolution to approve the Monthly Covid19 Instructional Delivery Method. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Resolution Certifying Millage to be Spread

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Fay moved that the Board approve a resolution to levy and collect taxes during the 2021-2022 school year, equivalent to 17.4561 operating mills and 9.64 mills for debt retirement. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Resolution to Amend the 2020-2021 Budget

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board approve a resolution to amend the 2020-2021 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

4) Resolution to Approve the 2021-2022 Budget

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Leonard moved that the Board approve the 2021-2022 operating budget. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Second Reading - NEOLA

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Fay moved that the Board approve the second reading and adopt the Spring 2021 NEOLA policy updates. Motion carried unanimously.

6) Resolution to Approve Hazard Pay

Mr. Leonard with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve Hazard Pay for exposure to increased risk of contracting COVID-19 due to in-person activities. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Executive Session

Mr. Leonard with support from Mr. Fay moved that the Board adjourn to executive session to discuss negotiations. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Burns, Christopherson, Fay, Foltz, Leonard, Massaway; Nays: none. The Board adjourned to executive session at 6:28 p.m. The Board returned to regular session at 6:50 p.m.

9. Discussion/Action Items (Continued)

7) Resolution to Approve AFSCME Union Contract Agreement

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the ratification of the entire Master Agreement, reached between the HPTS and the HPTS AFSCME union to be effective upon the date of the execution of the written contract by signatures of officials of both parties. Motion carried unanimously.

8) Resolution to Approve MEA Union Contract Agreement

Mr. Fay with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board of education of the Houghton-Portage Township Schools approve ratification of the entire successor 2021-2022 Master Agreement, reached between the Board of Education of the Houghton-Portage Township Schools and the Houghton-Portage Township Schools Education Association, be effective upon the date of the execution of the written contract by signatures of officials of both parties empowered to enter into the Master Agreement are completed. Motion carried unanimously.

9) Resolution to Approve Professional Staff Contracts

Mrs. Massaway with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the professional staff be provided with raises comparable with those agreed to in the teacher contract. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Foltz moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Christopherson adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Patchin, Acting Secretary

Philip T. Foltz, Board Secretary