

RECORD OF MINUTES

The Board of Education of the Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium and Keweenaw held its regular monthly meeting on November 12, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board of Education Room.

Present were members: Phyllis Locatelli, Jason Wickstrom, Melanie Parker, Daniel Zubiena, Philip Halonen, Theresa Jacques and James Vertin. Also present were: Joel Asiala, Superintendent; Trevor Salata, Chief Financial Officer, Elsa Green, Executive Administrative Assistant; Darren Kinnunen, Horizons Alternative High School Principal; Troy Reuter, Washington Middle School Principal, Matthew Hampton, CLK Elementary School Principal, Julie Giachino, CLK Elementary School Assistant Principal; Daniel Giachino, Director of Virtual Programs and CLK Elementary School music teacher Matthew Riutta.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Parker) unanimous decision, minutes from previous meetings were approved.

On motion, seconded (Halonen-Vertin) unanimous decision, the bills were approved to be paid. The General Fund bills were \$295,640.69 Athletic bills were \$27,483.27, Cafeteria bills were \$23,253.78, Community Service bills were \$3,690.70, Public Improvement bills were \$27,995.00 and Debt Service bills were \$100.00 for a total of all invoices of \$378,163.44.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read on motion, seconded (Halonen-Wickstrom) unanimous decision. The General Fund showed a bank balance of \$816,556.01, plus a Money Market of \$3,601,695.10, less outstanding checks of (\$62,076.97), less a Transfer in Transit (ORS/941/MI SUWH) of (\$152,485.69), plus a CD Balance (restricted) of \$81,416.72, for a total General Fund balance as of October 31, 2024, of \$4,285,105.17.

The Athletic Account showed a bank balance as of October 31, 2024 of \$60,497.98 for a

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total Athletic Fund of \$60,497.98.

The Cafeteria Fund showed a balance of \$57,944.42, for a total School Service Fund balance of \$118,442.40.

The Bond Debt Retirement Fund showed a bank balance of \$2,098,041.87, for a total Debt Retirement Fund balance as of October 31, 2024, of \$2,098,041.87.

On motion, seconded (Parker-Jacques) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the 2023-2024 audit report.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the Early College Program Memorandum of Understanding between the CLK School District and Gogebic Community College.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education declared the week of December 5-9, 2024, as C-L-K's Inclusive Schools Week, and extended their appreciation to C-L-K staff for their efforts in providing a supportive and quality education to the C-L-K's special education students.

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Jacques) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated Susan Rosemurgy and the Calumet High School LSSI Team on receiving a \$500 SEED Grant.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Jennifer Bjorn for her donation to the varsity volleyball team for their trip to Cadillac.

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On motion, seconded (Halonon-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Maria Campioni for her donation of powderpuff donuts to the Student Senate fundraiser during homecoming week float building.

On motion, seconded (Parker-Jacques) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Stephen Danis for his \$3,690.80 donation to the JROTC Program.

On motion, seconded (Halonon-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Philip Ruppe for his \$15,000.00 donation to the CLK Elementary School Maker Space.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Stacy Lancour for her successful \$415.19 grant from DonorsChoose.org to provide document cameras for her classroom.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education expressed appreciation to Lauren Ymker for her successful \$766.00 grant from DonorsChoose.org to provide flexible seating furniture for her classroom.

On motion, seconded (Halonon-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education commended members of the Calumet High School and Washington Middle School boys' and girls' cross-country teams and coaches Arnie Kinnunen and Ryan Watt on their season. Congratulations were also extended to Andrew Junttila and Maija Keranen on being named to the WestPAC All-Conference team.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated coaches' Ivan Niemi and Scott Loukus along with members of the junior varsity football team on their season.

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On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education commended members of the 7th and 8th grade football teams on their seasons, along with their coaches' Steve Parks and Tyler Rautio and volunteer coaches, Tony Salani and Mark Powell.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated the 7th & 8th grade girls' basketball teams on their seasons, along with their coaches' Julie Giachino and Sarah Hampton.

On motion, seconded (Halonon-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated Coach Josh Frantti, assistant coaches Frank Bonacorsi and Tyler Loukus and the varsity football team on their season. The Board also congratulated those football players who received WestPAC All-Conference honors and set new records.

Matthew Frantti – West PAC Copper Division 1st Team – Defensive Line
Jared Larson - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference 1st Team – Defensive Back
Ben Anderson – WestPAC Copper Division All Conference 2nd Team – Running Back
Trent Halonen – WestPAC Copper Division All Conference 2nd Team – Inside Linebacker
Kent Koskela - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference 2nd Team – Tight End
Nels Loukus - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference 2nd Team – Defensive Back
William Anderson - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference Honorable Mention
Brent Johnson - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference Honorable Mention
Erik Loukus - WestPAC Copper Division All Conference Honorable Mention

Peter Eskola – Two Punt returns for touchdowns
Tyler Halonen – Longest TD Run at 95 yards, tied for 2nd with Emmett Bjorn

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Zubiena) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated Coach Kate Bonacorsi and the volleyball players who received WestPAC All-Conference honors.

Kate Bonacorsi – WestPAC Coach of the Year
Allie Bjorn – WestPAC Player of the Year – Outside Hitter
Jess Anderson – Defensive Specialist of the Year - Libero
Bella Coppo – WestPAC All Conference 1st Team - Setter
Jackie Kiilunen - WestPAC All Conference 1st Team – Outside Hitter
Maddie Torola – WestPAC All Conference 1st Team – Right Side

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On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education commended staff and volunteers for their participation in the CLK Fall Family Night held in the elementary school on October 24th.

On motion, seconded (Parker-Jacques) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated the JROTC Raider Team on their performances at the Michigan State Raider Challenge and the National Raider Challenge. Team members were Emmett Kaurala, Jaden Ely, Anthony Downey, Lena Myhren, Lorelei Fryer, Lewis Nagel, Axl Schneiderhan, Melody Woods, Evan St. George and Ari Wendling.

On motion, seconded (Jacques- Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated the junior varsity and freshmen volleyball teams and coaches Callie Rastello and Janie Erkkila on their seasons.

On motion, seconded (Wickstrom-Halonen) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated football players who were named to the Division 6, Region 1 All Region Team.

Matthew Franti – Offensive Line
Kent Koskela – Defensive Line
Jared Larson – Defensive Back

On motion, seconded (Zubiena-Parker) unanimous decision, the Board of Education congratulated the Voice of Democracy and Patriot Pen contest winners and wished Ozzie and Briana good-luck at the district level competition.

Voice of Democracy
Ozzie Nykanen – 1st Place
Aili Heflin – 2nd Place
Chelsea Johnson – 3rd Place
Kira Diaz – Honorable Mention

Patriot Pen
Briana Antilla – 1st Place

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On motion, seconded (Halonon-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education extended their appreciation to the individuals and groups responsible for making the Veterans Day Program such a success.


On motion, seconded (Parker-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended, hereby invoked for 2025 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of all of school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the school district except for Osceola Township. The Superintendent is authorized to forward to the governing body of each township, except Osceola, a copy of this resolution requesting that each township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2025.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Vertin) unanimous decision, the Board of Education approved the purchase of a tractor with a sidewalk plow and snowblower at an estimated cost of \$25,000 from the Public Improvement Fund.

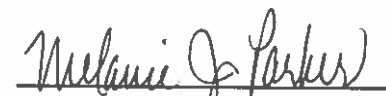
Building Principals updated the Board on "what's happening" in their buildings.

On motion, seconded (Jacques-Wickstrom), the Board of Education appointed Josh Frantti to the boys' golf coach position for the 2024-2025 season.

On motion, seconded (Vertin-Wickstrom) unanimous decision, the Board of Education adjourned at 6:11 p.m.



President



Secretary