

**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
DUNCAN LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
APRIL 19, 2021**

*Public bodies may conduct public meetings in-person at this time during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. All audience members in attendance must maintain 6' of distance between persons and wear a facial covering per Emergency order from the MDHHS.*

**MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order** – Board President White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call – Secretary, Asper, called the roll.**  
Present: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White  
Absent: Isic
- 4. Interested Citizens** – The following submitted a request to address the board:
  - a. Melissa VanGessel - CEA Report
- 5. Consent Agenda**
  - a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the board approves the consent agenda as presented:
    1. April 12, 2021 Minutes
    2. April 2021 Personnel Report
    3. Review of March 2021 Payables

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.
- 6. Reports and Information**
  - a. 21/22 Budget Projections - The chief financial officer presented to the board the preliminary budget for the 21/22.
  - b. 2020 Bond Program Update - The executive director of operations and transportation shared an update from Plante Moran CRESA on the 2020 Bond for projects #1 and projects #2.
- 7. Discussion Items**
  - a. Extended Covid-19 Learning Plan - The superintendent informed the board there were no changes to the current plan and the board will be asked to vote during the action items portion of the agenda.

- b. 2020 Bond Independent Paving Projects - The executive director of operations and transportation presented these projects and the board will be asked to vote during the action items portion of the agenda.
- c. 2020 Bond Furniture - The executive director of operations and transportation introduced to the board the need to submit a letter of intent to purchase furniture for the beginning of school 2021.

## **8. Board Committee Reports**

- a. Curriculum and Learning Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting which included the extended covid-19 learning plan and potential administrative position additions and changes.
- b. Finance and Operations Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting many of which were discussed during this meeting.
- c. Board Reports - The president shared the information needed from the workshop meeting will be disseminated to board members soon. The road clean up date will be decided on shortly. A trustee thanked those who are retiring for their service to CCS.
- d. Superintendent Report - A town hall community meeting will be held on April 27th at 6:00 pm. Board members will have an opportunity to do a site visit to the bond construction sites. CCS Facebook page posted a Mlive article highlighting one of our middle school students who started a business and is using the proceeds to give to others. US World news Raking #56 out of #1147 which lands us in the top 5% in the state of Michigan.

## **9. Action Items**

### **a. Extended Covid-19 Learning Plan**

- i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Clement, that the board approves the Extended Covid-19 Learning Plan.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### **b. 20/21 Bus Purchase**

- i. Motion by Morris and supported by Saidoo, that the board approve the purchase of a 2021 77 passenger ThomasBuilt School Bus from Hoekstra Sales for \$95,676.00 as recommended.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### **c. Truck Purchase**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Morris and supported by Saidoo, that the board approve the purchase of a 2022 Chevrolet as a maintenance and plow truck from Todd Wenzel Chevrolet for \$41,279.00 as recommended.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**d. Athletic Video Board Purchase**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Clement and supported by Morris, that the board approve the purchase of a jumbo digital screen scoreboard from Daktronics in the amount of 62,490.00 as recommended.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**e. Chromebook Purchase**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the board approve the technology Chromebook purchase as presented in the amount not to exceed \$241,650.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, IMorris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**f. 2020 Bond Independent Technology Projects**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the board approve the Superintendent and/or designee to enter into final negotiations and sign contracts with Town & Country Electric and Sentinel Technologies for the 2020 Bond District Technology Renovations as recommended.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**g. 2020 Bond Independent Paving Projects**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Saidoo and supported by Clement, that the board approve the Superintendent and/or designee to enter into final negotiations and sign contracts with Superior Asphalt and Structure TEC for the 2020 Bond, 2021 District Paving projects as recommended.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**h. 2020 Bond Furniture**

- i. Recommended Motion: Motion by Morris and supported by Clement, that the board approve the issuance of a "Letter of Intent" and other measures to secure furniture for the summer 2021 bond projects -

pending full board of education approval on May 17th - provided that the cost of the furniture package is below the stated budget.

Ayes: Asper, Clement, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**10. Public Comment On Agenda Items** - The following submitted a request to address the board:

- a. Eric VanGessel - Recording of school board meetings
- b. Melissa VanGessel - Student mental health

## **11. Adjournment**

- a. Motion by Clement and supported by Saidoo to adjourn at 6:52 p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 19th day of April 2021, and that said approved minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 24th day of May 2021.

**Julie Asper, Secretary**  
**Board of Education**