

**NORTH CENTRAL AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**TIME:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. C.S.T., North Central Middle/High School Library, Powers, MI 49874

1. Meeting called to order by President, Craig VanEnkevort at 6:32 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call:

**PRESENT:** Jessica Naser, Melissa Mercier, Brad Eichmeier, Chris Fazer, Kelly Plunger, Craig VanEnkevort, Nick Hanchek, Superintendent/Elem. Principal: Jennifer Eichmeier, Board Appointed Secretary: Wendy Granquist, Athletic Director: Randy McLeod, Maint/Transp./Custodial Working Supervisor: Brett Harter, MS/HS Principal: Dave Florenski, Mentor: Ken Groh

**ABSENT:** None

4. Agenda:
  - A. There were no items to be added or deleted from the agenda.
  - B. There were no items to be excluded from the consent agenda to be dealt with individually.
  - C. Motion by Plunger, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 7-0.
5. Consent Agenda:
  - A. Reports:
    1. Transportation/Maintenance Directors Report: Bus inspections are done. Thanks for all the help with staff when Dana was absent. New weight room looks great, thanks to Mr. Whitens for cleaning and painting it.

2. Athletic Director's Report – Still need JH Boys & Girls Track Coach. Varsity Football Tournament games will be coming up. J.V Football team may end the season with only 3 games. Postponed JH Boys Basketball to a later date. We are hosting the Girls Volleyball Tournament. Very challenging year for athletics. No schedule has gone as was scheduled this whole 2020-21 year.
3. MS/HS Principal's Report – Mr. Florenski reported about State Testing at the high school the week of October 26<sup>th</sup>. Discussed Social Emotional Learning needs meeting. He is still working on grants for Hotspots and Monthly Service Contracts for hotspots.
4. Superintendent's/Elem. Principals Report – Completed fall academic testing at the elementary building. Mask mandate has caused some elementary school families to do virtual learning. Scheduled trick or treat for October 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Most of the quarantine students from the MS/HS were able to return on October 19 or 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Kelly & Patty Plunger for their donation to our CAD Lab. The school will now run Sports Boosters. Thank you to all staff as we move forward in these uncertain times.

B. Reviewed the September 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

C. Motion by Eichmeier, supported by Plunger to approve the Consent Agenda Motion carried, 7-0.

5. Mr. Joel Renne from Johnson & Renne, CPA reviewed the North Central Area Schools 2019-20 Draft Annual Audit with the Board of Education. A Special Board Meeting will be held on Monday, October 26, 2020 to approve the Final Audit of 2019-20.

7. Approval to pay the bills:

Motion by Hanchek, supported by VanEnkevort to approve payment of the bills for September/October 2020 (General = \$45,864.54; Lunch = \$13,339.93; Bond = \$75.00; Activity=\$12,594.19. Motion carried, 7-0.

8. Review Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan

A. Mrs. Eichmeier reviewed the Instruction Delivery, Attendance Rates, 2-Way Interaction during the 2020-2021 school year for North Central Area Schools.

B. Public Comment on Extended COVID -19 Learning Plan. None.

- C. Motion by Eichmeier, supported by Plunger to approve the NCAS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan for October 2020. Motion carried, 7-0.
9. Action Items:
- A. Motion by Plunger, supported by Mercier to approve the Second Reading of Vol. 34, No. 2 – February 2020 NEOLA Policy updates and changes. Motion carried, 7-0.
  - B. Motion by Plunger, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the First Reading of Vol. 35, No. 1 – August 2020 NEOLA Policy updates and changes. Motion carried, 7-0.
  - C. Motion by Mercier, supported by Hanchek to approve with regret, the retirement resignation of Mrs. Lois Marsicek as MS/HS Secretary with the final date of employment at North Central Area Schools being December 31, 2020. Motion carried, 7-0.
  - D. Motion by Plunger, supported by Eichmeier to ratify all board decisions made at regular or special board meeting held remotely between May 1, 2020 and October 1, 2020. Motion carried, 7-0.
10. Financial Report. Mr. Groh went over the financial report of the district.
11. Board Discussion: Mr. Groh would like a meeting with the Negotiations Team in regards to both contracts on Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.
12. Public Comment: NONE.
13. Other Business: The district will be placing an ad in the Luft's Advertiser for substitute bus drivers, aides, custodians and teachers.
14. Motion by Hanchek, supported by Mercier to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried, 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary