

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

Date/Time: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 6:00 PM CDT

Location: North Central MS/HS Library – Powers, MI 49874

1. Meeting called to order by President Chris Fazer at 6:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

- A. PRESENT: Nathan Fleetwood, Melissa Mercier, Matt Bouty, Chris Fazer, Jordan St. John
Administration: Travis Depuydt - Superintendent/Elementary Principal, Donny Bianco - MS/HS Principal/Athletic Director, Wendy Granquist - Board Appointed Secretary, Amanda Norkoli - Director of Online Learning
- B. TARDY: Kelly Plunger
- C. ABSENT: Craig VanEnkevort

4. Agenda:

- A. There were no items to be added or deleted.
- B. There were no items to be excluded from the consent agenda to be dealt with individually.
- C. Motion by Bouty, supported by St. John to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Reports
 - i. Transportation/Maintenance Directors Report: Mr. Depuydt gave the report.
 - ii. Athletic Directors Report: Mr. Bianco gave his report.
 - iii. Director of Online Learning Report: Ms. Norkoli gave her report.
 - iv. MS/HS Principals Report: Mr. Bianco gave his report.
 - v. Superintendent/Elem. Principal Report: Mr. Depuydt gave his report.

B. Regular Board Meeting & Workshop Minutes:

i. September 25, 2024 Regular Meeting

C. Motion by Bouty, supported by St. John to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried, 6-0.

6. Approval to pay the bills

A. Motion by Plunger, supported by Bouty to approve the payment of the September/October bills. Motion carried, 6-0.

General: \$98,284.63 Activity: \$13,019.06 Lunch: \$26,053.36 Debt 2014: \$75.00

7. Action Items

A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Plunger to approve the state aid operating note resolution not to exceed \$300,000 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Motion carried, 6-0.

B. Motion by Mercier, supported by Fazer to approve the removal of Donald Palmer and Diana Howell from North Central Area School bank accounts at Northern Interstate Bank and add Travis Depuydt and Wendy Granquist to all bank accounts at Northern Interstate bank effective immediately. Motion carried, 6-0.

C. Motion by Plunger, supported by Fleetwood to approve the hire of Ben Snyder as Varsity Baseball Coach for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried, 6-0.

8. Public Comment

A. None

9. Board Discussion

A. Business manager request for remote work 1 day a week

B. Sinking Fund Town Hall – Holding town halls on the 30th in Hermansville and Powers for the public to attend and ask questions about the sinking fund.

C. Depuydt went over the results of the NCA Staff Survey.

D. Discussed the SEL Trails Curriculum. Continuing at the elementary this year and reporting results to the Board in the Spring. Will discuss making it K-12.

E. Early Middle College – Getting MEMCA certification to give students another path to completing their program.

10. Other Business

- A. None

11. Adjournment

- A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to adjourn from the October 16, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:15PM. Motion carried, 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary