

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

**TIME:** Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. C.S.T., North Central Elementary School, Hermansville, MI 49847

1. Meeting called to order by President, Craig VanEnkevort at 6:31 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call:

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

**ABSENT:** Chris Fazer, Nick Hanchek

4. Agenda:
  - A. There were no items to be added or deleted from the agenda.
  - B. There are no items to be excluded from the consent agenda to be dealt with individually.
  - C. Motion by Naser, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.
5. Consent Agenda:
  - A. Reports:
    1. Athletic Director's Report – see attached.
    2. Maintenance Director's Report – Mr. Harter stated that we have Bus #1 back from being repaired. Mr. Steve Tufnell can fix the boiler. Mr. John Boyle helped with the chips at the elementary school.
    3. MS/HS Principal's Report – see attached.
    4. Superintendent's/Elementary Principals Report – see attached

- B. Reviewed the August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
  - C. Motion by Plunger, supported by Eichmeier to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.
6. Approval to Pay the Bills:
- Motion by Mercier, supported by Naser to approve payment of the August & September bills. General Fund = \$83,225.51; Lunch = \$10.99; Activity = \$8,538.85. Motion carried, 5-0.
7. Action Items:
- A. Motion by Naser, supported by Mercier to approve the second reading of Volume 33 Number 2 NEOLA Policy updates and changes. Motion carried, 5-0.
  - B. Motion by Mercier, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the hire of Riley O’Neil as temporary technology and office support assistant. Motion carried, 5-0.
  - C. Motion by Plunger, supported by Mercier to approve the hire of Kyle Bellefeuil as Jr. High Boys Basketball 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Coach for the 2019-20 school year. Motion carried, 5-0.
  - D. Motion by Plunger, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the North Central Guest Dance Pass for students wishing to attend as a guest with a North Central student. Motion carried, 5-0.
  - E. Motion by Plunger, supported by Naser to approve the wood chip bid from Dave Whitens at a rate of \$45 per ton for heating needs at North Central Jr/Sr High School for the 2019-20 school year. Mr. Eichmeier excuses himself due to conflict of interest. Motion carried, 4-0.
8. Board Discussion: Mrs. Naser want to make sure we are fiscally responsible. Plan for evaluating Superintendent. 2 evaluation done. Timeline change.
9. Public Comment: Vicki Snyder – the year is off to a great start. Attitude is great – culture-climate..

10. Other Business: There was a question on Mrs. Nelson starting date. E911 Compliance by December 2019. The board also wants to know what Jennifer wants from the board to support her goals.
11. Motion by Naser supported by VanEnkevort to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kelly Plunger", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kelly Plunger, Secretary

Athletic Directors Report  
Randall McLeod  
Athletic Director  
9-16-19

#### Football

Season is in full swing and both JV and Varsity teams are off to great starts. Both teams are undefeated with Varsity recently defeating the #1 ranked team in the state. We have been able to fill our JV schedule with away games with Gladstone Frosh on September 26<sup>th</sup> @5:00 cst, Manistique on October 17<sup>th</sup> @5:00 cst and Bark River on October 24<sup>th</sup> @5:00 cst. Stephenson has dropped JV for this year. Updated schedule will be posted this week.

#### Cross Country

Schedule is still week to week as invites are received. Our invite went extremely well. 7 schools were represented in both High School and Jr High. Several coaches and parents had compliments on how well it turned out. Expect more schools to participate next year as our invites went out late due to course location changing to the school.

#### Volleyball

Season underway with parent, fan and coaches' feedback of steady improvement seen. Still need to look into developing a JH program.

#### JH Girls Basketball

Both teams are performing well. One schedule change on October 7<sup>th</sup> moving to October 8<sup>th</sup> as our gym is hosting volleyball on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### Football Field

Scoreboard with all Ad panels is complete and working great. Was also used during our Cross-County Invite for unofficial timing which drew several compliments from fans, coaches and participants. Also spoke with Sports Boosters about providing additional restroom options for the rest of the season and they will be taking care of that for us.

Athletic Director notes:

New Athletic Director Orientation is complete. All in all, everything is going well. Riley has been a tremendous help. Skyline Conference meeting are taking place on the 18<sup>th</sup> for the upcoming boys and girls basketball seasons. One area of concern is official compensation. I believe our basketball rates will be ok as we adjusted them for this year but we still had to fill a couple games as some officials have rejected contracts due to pay. I've spoke with a couple different football crews and we seem to be \$15 to \$25 lower than what they typically get for a double header so we will need to address at some point. On a positive note every official I've spoken to enjoys coming to NC and would like to continue.

## Maintenance and Transportation Report

Johnson controls can fix the gas boiler for 2 to 3 thousand dollars.

Chip bids will be in by the 18th for approval.

Brett Harter

9/16/19

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## **September 2019 Board Report MS/HS**

- Tentative school count is up 11 at the middle/high school.
- Thank you to Mike Malone and Riley O'Neal for problem solving our technology infrastructure and lay out a sustainability plan for our district.
- The pilot program with Bay College Dual Enrollment Spanish Class is going well and we have 18 students taking the class.
- Social Emotional Learning initiative by the ISD is going well. We are incorporating it into our seminar hour on Tuesday and Thursday so we have consistency across the building.
- Thank you to Brett Harter for being such a great asset for the district and helping me with the camera system.
- Staff are working on 2% grants which are due at the end of the month. We are prioritizing curriculum and technology needs at the middle/high school.