

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
Administration Building
January 10, 2022**

President Bednard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present: Members Aquino, Bednard, Pearl, Pyden, Sobah and Wojtowicz
Absent: Member DeMuynck Zech - Excused
Also, Present: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sederlund, Dr. Brosky, Mr. Sibley, Ms. Licari,
Dr. Langlands, Ms. Blain, Ms. Monnier-White and Ms. Danford

Additions/Deletions - None

Recognition/Presentations - None

MOTION #01/02/22 – Moved by Member Pearl and supported by Member Sobah to approve the General Consent Agenda to:

- Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 13, 2021.
- Approve General Fund, Food Service, IAM, Childcare, Camps/Clinics Check Register in the amount of \$2,117,160.29.
- Approve Wire Transfers, ACH and Payments Report in the amount of \$9,752,472.64
- Approve 2018 Building & Site Payments Report in the amount of \$102,049.40.
- Approve Building Activity Check Register in the amount of \$49,394.14.
- Approve Personnel Transactions.

Ayes all, motion carried.

Old Business – None

MOTION #01/03/22 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Pyden that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Marsha Kerpet to the position of Payroll/Benefits Coordinator. Effective start date is to be determined.

Ayes all, motion carried.

MOTION #01/04/22 – Moved by Member Pyden and supported by Member Aquino that Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education Call the Question End Debate.

A roll call vote was taken. Member Pyden, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Pearl, yes; Member Sobah, yes and Member Wojtowicz, no. **Motion Carried.**

(Note: District Attorney Kava clarified to the Board of Education that Board Members attending a building event, i.e., parent/teacher conferences, sporting activity, or performance events for their student, does not need prior approval from the Superintendent. Only when entering a district building in the official capacity as a board member, during school hours.

MOTION #01/05/22 – Moved by Member Pearl and supported by Member Sobah that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the second reading to amend Board of Education Policy 9150 – School Visitors and waive the reading of the Policy.

A roll call vote was taken. Member Pearl, yes; Member Sobah, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Pyden, yes and Member Wojtowicz, no. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #01/06/22 – Moved by Member Pearl and supported by Member Sobah that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the second reading to adopt *New* Board of Education Operating Procedures for Board members, which shall be incorporated into the Board of Education’s Bylaws and waive the reading of the Procedures.

A roll call vote was taken. Member Pearl, yes; Member Sobah, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Pyden, yes and Member Wojtowicz, no. **Motion carried.**

From the Community

- Ms. Jennifer Mauri (district parent) addressed the Board of Education.
- Mr. Terry Prince (district parent) addressed the Board of Education.
- Ms. Rita Zielinski (district parent) addressed the Board of Education.
- Ms. Fiona Zielinski (district student) addressed the Board of Education.
- Ms. Michelle Bokano (district parent) addressed the Board of Education.
- Ms. Melody Perrin (community member) addressed the Board of Education.

Union Communications – None

Administration Reports

- Superintendent Roberts reported the following:
 - Provided an update on COVID case numbers for the county and district. Discussed district issues, i.e., staffing shortages with teachers and bus drivers. Suggested the best way to keep students in class and slow down the spread in the buildings would be to temporarily institute a three and one-half-week mandatory mask usage in all district buildings and at all athletic events. This would become effective January 12, 2022 until February 4, 2022. If numbers go down, we can end it sooner.
 - Chippewa Valley always considers students welfare – don't want to go back to virtual.

Discussion by Board of Education followed with support of Board of Education to move forward with a three and one-half-week temporary masking requirement in all district buildings.

Curriculum Reports - None

Of and By Board Members-

- Member Bednard requested Mr. Sederlund provide information regarding the ESSER funds and how they were being distributed in the District.

MOTION #01/07/22– Moved by Member Pyden and supported by Member Wojtowicz that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session (*8.b. – Student Expulsion Hearing*)

A roll call vote was taken: Member Pyden, yes; Member Wojtowicz, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Pearl, yes and Member Sobah, yes. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:07 p.m.

Meeting reconvened into Open Session at 10:37 p.m.

MOTION #01/08/22– Moved by Member Pyden and supported by Member Sobah that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education conducted a hearing on January 10, 2022, in a closed session concerning the Administration’s recommended expulsion of Student, 12-13-2021;DHS01.

The Student and the Student’s parents were advised, in writing, of the charges against the Student, the Administration’s recommendation of permanent expulsion and all other due process rights required by the law and District policy.

The Board of Education, based on evidence introduced at the hearing, concluded Student 12-13-21;DHS01 violated ***Section IV.17 of the Student Code of Conduct, entitled, “Gross Misbehavior”, and Section IV.28, “Physically Assaulting a Staff Member/Student/Person Associated with the District.”*** The Board of Education also considered the following factors and concluded the Administration had rebutted the presumption against long-term suspension or expulsion: the Student’s age; the Student’s disciplinary history; whether the Student is disabled; the seriousness of the Student’s misconduct; whether the Student’s misconduct threatened the safety of any other student or staff member; whether restorative practices will be used to address the Student’s misconduct; and, whether a lesser intervention would properly address the Student misconduct.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: Student 12-13-21;DHS01 is permanently expelled from the Chippewa Valley School District and is prohibited from entering any premises owned, operated, or controlled by the District or attending any District-related function.

A roll call vote was taken. Member Pyden, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Pearl, yes; Member Sobah, yes and Member Wojtowicz, yes. **Motion carried.**

Meeting reconvened into Executive Session at 10:44 p.m.

Meeting reconvened into Open Session at 11:20 p.m.

MOTION #01/10/22 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Aquino that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education conducted a hearing on January 10, 2022, in a closed session concerning the Administration’s recommended expulsion of Student, 01-10-22;CVHS01.

The Student and the Student’s parents had been advised on the charges against the Student in writing and, had been advised of their due process rights. The Student was provided with all due process rights required by law and District policy.

The Board has considered all the evidence presented at the hearing and based on the evidence, has reached the following conclusion: Student, 01-10-22;CVHS01, was guilty of: Sections IV.42, ***“Verbally Assaulting a Staff Member/Student/Person Associated with the District,”*** and State of Michigan Revised School Code-***Section 380.1311a (2).***

THEREFORE, it is resolved that Student 01-10-22;CVHS01, be permanently expelled from the Chippewa Valley School District. Student, 01-10-22;CVHS01, is prohibited from entering any premises owned, operated, or controlled by the District or attending any District function.

A roll call vote was taken. Member Sobah, yes; Member Aquino, yes; Member Bednard, yes; Member Pearl, yes; Member Pyden, yes and Member Wojtowicz, yes. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #01/11/22 – Moved by Member Pearl and supported by Member Sobah to adjourn the meeting. **Ayes all, motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Pyden, Secretary
Board of Education