

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
Administration Building
October 09, 2023**

President Kenneth Pearl called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present: Members Aquino, Gura, King, Pearl, Sobah and Wojtowicz
Absent: Member Wade (Excused)
Also, Present: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sederlund, Dr. Blanchard, Dr. Brosky, Mr. Sibley,
Ms. Licari, Dr. Langlands, Ms. Blain, Ms. Monnier-White and Ms. Adlam

Roll Call taken.

MOTION #10/01/23 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Gura to approve the agenda. **Ayes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #10/02/23 – Moved by Member Wojtowicz and supported by Member Pearl to amend the agenda to add resolution provided by speaker as Item K. and Move Item K.- From the Community to Item L., move Item L.- Of and By Board Members to Item M. and move Item M. Adjournment, to Item N. **Ayes all, motion carried.**

Presentation/Recognitions

- *Life of An Athlete* presentation was given by the Athletic Directors Dr. Adam Schihl (CVHS) and Mr. Shane Finney (DHS), Dr. Charlene McGunn, and four student athletes.
- Plante Moran Financial Audit presentation, by representatives Ms. Jennifer Chambers and Ms. Hannah Orwat, of Plante Moran.

MOTION #10/03/23 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Aquino to approve the General Consent Agenda to:

- Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 25, 2023.
- Approve General Fund, Food Service, IAM, Childcare, Camps/Clinics Check Register in the amount of \$1,855,472.12.
- Approve Debt Fund Register in the amount of \$5,862,507.33.
- Approve 2018 Building and Site Check Register in the amount of \$65,011.12.
- Approve Building Activity Check Register in the amount of \$86,917.22.
- Approve Personnel Transactions.

Motion passes 5-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

Old Business - None

MOTION #10/04/23 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Aquino that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the Resolution for Chippewa Valley School District to observe October 2023 as Red Ribbon Month. **Ayes all, motion carried.**

Chippewa Valley Schools
**RED RIBBON/SUBSTANCE
USE PREVENTION MONTH**



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Youth use of alcohol, marijuana, other drugs, vaping, and prescription drug abuse is a serious problem across our nation,

WHEREAS October 2023 is "Red Ribbon Month", a national celebration to promote a drug-free America,

WHEREAS Chippewa Valley Schools recognizes that the combined efforts of parents, students, school, and community are needed to address the alcohol, marijuana, vaping, other drug use, and prescription drug misuse of our students,

WHEREAS the Chippewa Valley Coalition for Youth and Families, a school-community coalition, is working to support Chippewa Valley School's on-going drug prevention efforts,

**THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED** that October 2023 will be celebrated in Chippewa Valley Schools as "Red Ribbon Month". Red Ribbon Month will be dedicated to educating our students, staff, parents, and community about the dangers of youth use of alcohol, marijuana, vaping, other drugs, and prescription drug misuse and to promote safe, healthy, and drug-free youth,

**BE IT FURTHER
RESOLVED** that this resolution, having been adopted by the Chippewa Valley Board of Education on October 9, 2023 be announced to the public, and be made a permanent part of the records of the Chippewa Valley Board of Education.

MOTION #10/05/23 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported Member Sobah that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Monique Raines to the position of Transportation Coordinator. Ms. Raines’ effective start date will be October 10, 2023. **Ayes all, Motion carried.**

MOTION #10/06/23 – Moved by Member Gura and supported Member Pearl that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the hire of Ms. Michelle Mador to the position of Transportation Dispatcher. Ms. Mador’s effective start date is to be determined. **Ayes all, Motion carried.**

Union Communications - None

Curriculum Updates – None

Administrative Reports

- Superintendent Ron Roberts provided an update to the Board of Education regarding beginning-of-the-year activities and events.
- Mr. Roberts reminded the board of the Be Aware 5K Youth Suicide Walk/Run event on Saturday, October 14th at Dakota 9th Grade Center, starting at 9:00 a.m.

New Business

MOTION #10/07/23 – Moved by Member Wojtowicz to add a resolution provided by a person in attendance at meeting to the agenda. **Motion Failed for Lack of Support.**

From the Community

- Public Comments/audience participation

Due to behavior during public comments, it was necessary to call for one ten-minute recess.

MOTION #10/08/23 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported Member King that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education take a short recess.

Motion passes 5-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

Recess ended at 9:18 p.m.

Of and By Board Members

- Member Wojtowicz congratulated all the student athletes who attended on behalf of Life of An Athlete presentation. Mr. Wojtowicz had questions regarding information provided by members of the community.
- Member Aquino acknowledged the Life-of-An-Athlete students who presented during the board meeting. Ms. Aquino congratulated the CVHS Football Team who took home the MacRed in Macomb County.
- Member King provided correct information regarding a member of the public's allegation, that Mr. King's wife was at the last board meeting. Mr. King emphasized how the behavior of some of the attendees who were jeering, yelling, and mocking others was unacceptable behavior.
- Member Gura thanked the Chippewa Valley Education Foundation for all they do to support the students and teachers in the district. Mr. Gura congratulated Life-of-An-Athlete students who presented this evening. He also informed the audience that board members do listen to input from our community members.

MOTION #10/09/23 - Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Gura to adjourn the meeting. **Ayes all, motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George Sobah, Secretary
Board of Education