

**MIO AUSABLE SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2021**

PRESENT: Holzwarth, Hunter, Irelan, La Vigne, Long, Szymanski, Whaley
ABSENT: None
ADMINISTRATION: Ciske, Shiffer
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: None
RECORDING SECRETARY: McVeigh

President Irelan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

2020-2021-66

Holzwarth/Hunter to approve consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 12, 2021
- b) Monthly finance

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

COOR ISD Budget Presentation – COOR ISD Superintendent, Shawn Petri, and Board President, Dr. James Mangutz, were in attendance to present and discuss the proposed 2021-2022 General Fund Budget for COOR ISD. Dr. Mangutz stated that he is pleased with the way the counties work together. Mr. Ciske thanked Mr. Petri for his continued work in reinstating some Career Tech programs through the ISD.

Athletic Director's Report – Athletic Director report was presented by Superintendent Ciske. Springs sports have gone well. Mandated covid testing continues for all spring athletes, with only two athletes testing positive. Although several students have had to quarantine which resulted in some cancelled/forfeited games. The league met last month and voted to allow Charlton Heston Academy to join. The league will meet this month to consider allowing Tawas to join. More information will be provided at the June meeting. The Pixelott system has been ordered. This system will allow for the casting of all games. Installation date is scheduled for May 18.

Elementary Principals' Report – Mrs. Shiffer reviewed elementary information. NWEA testing for grades K-5 has been scheduled and will fulfill direction from the State for assessments. Kindergarten registration is ongoing. M-Step has been administered to students in grades 3-5. Interviews were held for the interventionist position. Library secretary, Ms. Lewis, organized a Book Fair for the week of May 10-14. The March Spark Award focus was Accountability with the April focus being Recognition. Students receiving those awards were recently honored. May's character trait will be Friendliness. There are currently 228 students enrolled in K-5, with 29 of those students virtual.

Buildings and Grounds Report – Mr. Ciske reported that the fire alarm inspection will be completed soon. Continued progress on the Wellness Center. Control Solutions from Alpena will install a new HVAC control unit. This work is planned for the summer and will replace an outdated Trane heating system. We are also seeking a quote from Control Solutions to update the camera system. Quotes are being sought from vendors for custodial equipment, as the current equipment is the property of Axium. Precision Excavating and Mio Fence will provide preliminary quotes for a new baseball field.

Middle School / High School Principals' Report – Mr. Ciske reviewed middle school/high school information. Graduation will take place on June 4 at 6:00 p.m. and will be held in the gym. Baccalaureate is scheduled for Wednesday, June 2 and will be held at the Mio United Methodist Church. SAT/PSAT has been completed for high school. In the coming weeks, middle school students will take the M-Step. At the PD on May 7, staff will work through School Culture/Handbook issues. Some areas which will be reviewed are the current policies regarding attendance and cell phones. Another issue which will be part of the next handbook will be eliminating the graduation requirement for a 'technology' class. Mrs. McDonald, counselor, has been working on the master schedule for the next school year. We will be adding a CTE option for juniors and seniors, as well as reducing class sizes to address learning loss due to the pandemic. Due to the number of students currently quarantined, the Bolt of the Month recognition will be held at the June board meeting.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Ciske provided an update. Several items will require board approval this evening. Those include the contract between the Board of Education and the Mio AuSable Education Association which has been tentatively agreed upon, administrator contracts and the Annual Summer Tax Collection Resolutions which authorize township collections of summer taxes and the approval of the quote for annual auditing services for 2021-2023. In addition, the approval of the hiring, and initial contracts, for HS Principal Steven Dunk and HS Teachers Darby Diaz and Tammy Ahearne will require board action. Mr. Ciske reported that elementary special education teacher, Lisa Marlatt, has resigned as she has accepted a position closer to her home.

Public Comment(s) on Extended Continuity of Learning Plan - None

Citizens' Comments – Mr. McFalda thanked the board for allowing Superintendent Ciske to negotiate with the NMEA and thanked Mr. Ciske for his willingness to negotiate.

Action Items -

2020-2021-67

Hunter/Szymanski consider the approval of the reauthorization of the Mio AuSable Extended COVID Learning Plan

YES: 7

NO:

Motion approved

2020-2021-68

La Vigne/Holzwarth consider resolution approving COOR ISD General Fund Budget for 2021-2022
Roll call vote.

YES: Holzwarth, Hunter, Ireland, La Vigne, Long, Szymanski, Whaley

NO: None

Motion approved.

2020-2021-69

Holzwarth/Long consider approval of the hiring, and contracts, for:
Steven Dunk – High School Principal
Darby Diaz – High School Teacher
Tammy Ahearne – High School Teacher

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved

2020-2021-70

Szymanski/Hunter

consider the approval of the tentative agreement between the Mio AuSable Education Association and the Mio AuSable Schools Board of Education for 2021-2024.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2020-2021-71

Whaley/La Vigne

consider the approval of administrator contracts for the following:

- Paul Ciske 2021-2024

The following for the period of 2021-2023

- Rebecca Holloway
- Matthew Lewis
- Jeannette McVeigh
- Mary Miller
- Celeste Shiffer
- Deforest Warren

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2020-2021-72

Hunter/Szymanski

consider the approval of the quote from Weinlander Fitzhugh for auditing services for the fiscal years of 2021-2023.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2020-2021-73

Szymanski/Hunter

consider approval of Summer Tax Collection Agreements with townships of Big Creek (\$12,900.00), Elmer (\$2,862.75), Greenwood (\$1,991.00) and Mentor (\$5,112.25).

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

2020-2021-74

Hunter/Szymanski

consider the acceptance of resignation of Lisa Marlatt.

YES: 7

NO:

Motion approved

Board Members' Comments – Mrs. Whaley inquired as to the procedure/decision for student quarantines. Mr. Ciske stated that he plans to meet with the Health Department to clarify.

Correspondence - None

There was no other business.

2020-2021-75

Holzwarth/La Vigne to adjourn at 7:22 p.m.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeannette McVeigh, Recording Secretary

Cheryl La Vigne, Board Secretary