



SAUGATUCK
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 19, 2024

PLACE OF MEETING: Douglas Elementary School
Uppel El Learning Commons
261 Randolph Street, Douglas, MI 49406

TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 pm

ADMINISTRATION:
Chris LaHaie, Director of Finance, Kim Sharda, Executive Assistant,

1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Bernie Merkle, Amanda Frank, Eric Birkholz,
Laura Zangara, Nicole Lewis, Frank Marro III, Karen Sherwood

ABSENT:

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – A parent addressed the board relative to Spanish curriculum in the elementary school. A community member addressed the Board to let them know they would be coming to a few meetings to assess their interest in running for the Board in November.

4. ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA – Remove 6.c from the agenda

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. Consent Items

- i. Minutes from January 22 Regular Meeting
- ii. Minutes from February 5, Workshop Meeting
- iii. Agenda for February 19, 2024 Agenda

It was moved by Frank Marro III with support from Bernie Merkle to approve the consent items as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Board Policy Updates – the following policy updates were presented to the Board of consideration and possible adoption at the February 5, 2024 Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education:

- 0122 Board Powers
- 1420 School Administrator Evaluation
- 3131 Staff Reduction/Recall
- 3142 Probationary Teachers
- 3220 Professional Staff Evaluation

It was moved by Nicole Lewis with support from Karen Sherwood to approve the consent items as presented. A roll call vote showed the motion carried unanimously.

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6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Interact Club - Students from the SHS Interact Club along with their advisors, Christina Lewis and Mike Shaw presented on their recent service learning trip to the Dominican Republic.
- b. Budget Update - Finance Director, Chris LaHaie provided an update on the status of the 2023-2024 General Fund Budget and the start of budget season in Lansing.
- c. Construction Update - President Zangara provided a brief update on construction at the Saugatuck Middle & High School

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

8. REVIEW UPCOMING DATES/MEETINGS

March 4	Workshop Meeting
March 8	½ Day of School
March 15	NO SCHOOL
March 18	Regular Meeting
Mar 29 – Apr 5	Spring Break
April 15	Regular Meeting
May 20	Regular Meeting
May 23	Graduation
May 27	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
June 3	Workshop Meeting
June 7	½ Day of School – Last Day of School
June 17	Regular Meeting
July 15	Regular/Organization Meeting

9. ADJOURN - there being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary, Karen Sherwood