

July 15, 2024

The Newaygo Public Schools Board of Education held an organizational meeting on Monday, July 15, 2024 at the Newaygo High School Library. Vince Grodus, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vince Grodus, Jami Schultz, Bruce Gracik and Thomas Frisbie

MEMBERS ABSENT: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

Also Present: Ben Gilpin, Superintendent
Kim Bidwell, Business Manager
Christina Wetherell, Administrative Assistant

Visitors: 14

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Frisbie, seconded by Mr. Gracik, to approve the proposed agenda for the organizational meeting of July 15, 2024.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Public Comments – Items on the Agenda

None.

Resolutions are attached at the end of these minutes.

Compensation for Board Members, Reimbursement of Expenses, and Board Position Vacancies

Motion by Mr. Gracik, seconded by Mr. Frisbie, to formally approve Board Policy 0144.1 Compensation, 6550 Travel Payment & Reimbursement, 0175.1 School Board Conferences & Workshops and 0142.5 Vacancies.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Establishing Dates/Time/Place for Regular Meetings and July as Month for Future Organizational Meetings

Motion by Mr. Gracik, seconded by Ms. Schultz, to approve Resolution A as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Adoption of Official Banks of Depository – School Funds

Motion by Mr. Frisbie, seconded by Ms. Schultz, to approve Resolution B as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Adoption of Official Newspaper

Motion by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. Frisbie, to approve Resolution C as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Appointment of School Attorneys

Motion by Mr. Frisbie, seconded by Mr. Gracik, to approve Resolution D as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Appointment of Assistant Secretaries

Motion by Mr. Gracik, seconded by Ms. Schultz, to approve Resolution E as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Appointment of Assistant Treasurers

Motion by Ms. Schultz, seconded by Mr. Frisbie, to approve Resolution F as completed.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Legal Reference Note

Motion by Mr. Frisbie, seconded by Mr. Gracik, to approve the Legal Reference Note as presented.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Other Board of Education Matter/Concerns/Comments

Mr. Grodus announced that a new Vice President needed to be appointed by the Board now that Mr. Heinzman has resigned.

Motion by Mr. Grodus, seconded by Mr. Gracik, to appoint Reid Sherwood as Vice President of the NPS Board of Education.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Public Comments – Items not on the Agenda

None

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Gracik, seconded by Mr. Frisbie, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Time: 6:06pm


Jami Schultz, Board Secretary

RESOLUTION A

Newaygo Public Schools, Newaygo County, Newaygo, Michigan

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Members Present: Vince Grodus, Tom Frisbie, Jami Schultz and Bruce Gracik

Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Bruce Gracik, and seconded by Member Jami Schultz.

Whereas, in keeping with the "School Code", the Board of Education, after organizing, must adopt and post a resolution establishing the dates, time, and place of its regular meetings, as well as establishing January and July as the months for future Organizational Meetings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

The Board of Education hold its regular monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Newaygo High School Library.

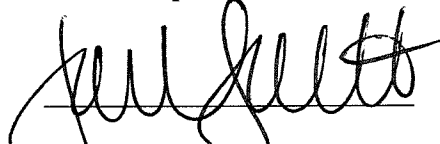
VOTE

Ayes: 4

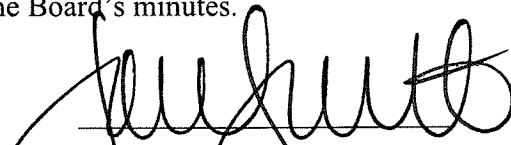
Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

Resolution Declared Adopted


Secretary, Board of Education

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Education, Newaygo, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education, Newaygo, Michigan, at its Organizational Meeting held on July 15, 2024, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes.


Secretary, Board of Education

RESOLUTION B

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Members Present: Vince Grodus, Tom Frisbie, Jami Schultz and Bruce Gracik

Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Tom Frisbie, and seconded by Member Jami Schultz.

Whereas, the Board should pass a resolution designating a bank or banks for the deposit of all school money,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

The Independent Bank-West Michigan, Huntington National Bank, Gerber Federal Credit Union, MILAF (Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus), be designated as the banks for the deposit of school funds during the 2024-25 school and fiscal year.

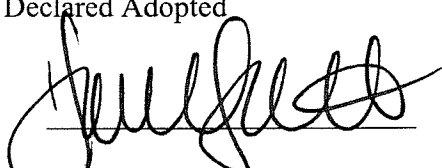
VOTE

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

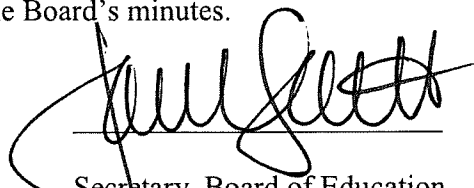
Motion: Carried

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RESOLUTION C

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Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Jami Schultz, and seconded by Member Tom Frisbie.

Whereas, The Board of Education should pass a resolution designating an official newspaper,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

The Times-Indicator be the designated newspaper for publishing all school announcements during the 2024-25 school and fiscal year.

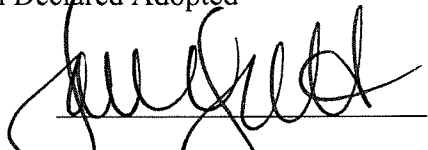
VOTE

Ayes: 4

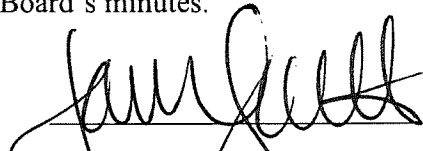
Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

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RESOLUTION D

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Members Present: Vince Grodus, Tom Frisbie, Jami Schultz and Bruce Gracik

Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Tom Frisbie, and seconded by Member Bruce Gracik.

Whereas, the school district should pass a resolution designating legal counsel for the current school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

The legal firms of Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey, PLC and Thrun Law Firm PC be retained as the school district's legal counsel during the 2024-25 school and fiscal year.

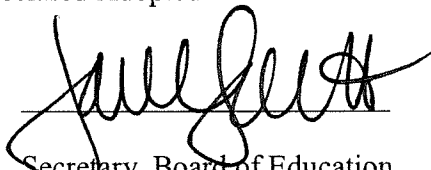
VOTE

Ayes: 4

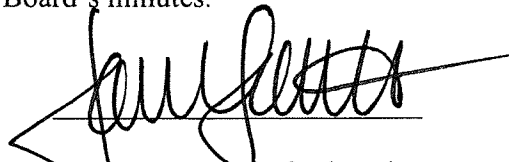
Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

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RESOLUTION E

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Members Present: Vince Grodus, Tom Frisbie, Jami Schultz and Bruce Gracik

Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Bruce Gracik, and seconded by Member Jami Schultz.

Whereas, the school attorney advised, and the Superintendent recommends, that the Board adopt a resolution naming two assistant secretaries,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

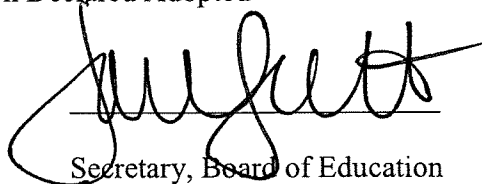
Mr. Ben Gilpin and Mrs. Christina Wetherell be appointed as assistant secretaries to post public notices of meetings, record minutes of meetings, and for election purposes at the discretion of the Board of Education Secretary during the 2024-25 school and fiscal year.

Ayes: 4

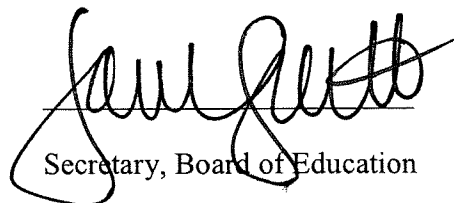
Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

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RESOLUTION F

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Members Present: Vince Grodus, Tom Frisbie, Jami Schultz and Bruce Gracik

Members Absent: Reid Sherwood and Sara Smith

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Jami Schultz, and seconded by Member Tom Frisbie.

Whereas, the school attorney advised, and the Superintendent recommends, that the Board adopt a resolution naming assistant treasurers,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

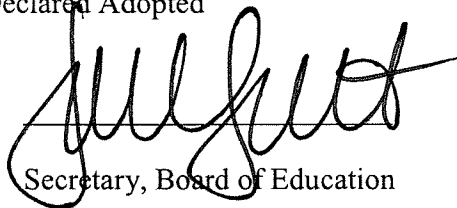
Mr. Ben Gilpin, Mrs. Kim Bidwell, Mrs. Christina Wetherell and Mrs. Tamara Newfer be appointed as assistant treasurers to receive, record, and deposit funds at the discretion of the Board of Education Treasurer during the 2024-25 school and fiscal year, and to check signature authorizations.

Ayes: 4

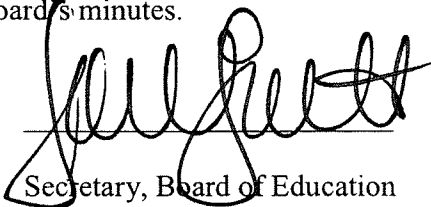
Nays: 0

Motion: Carried

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SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL REFERENCE NOTE

This note is added to the minutes of the July 15, 2024 Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education as a legal reference to the change in status of our school district caused by the Revised School Code (MCL 380.1 et seq) amendments, which became effective July 1, 1996.

1. Legal name of school district: Newaygo Public School District
2. Prior to July 1, 1996, this district was classified as a fourth class school district. On July 1, 1996, the district became a general powers school district by operation of law.
3. The Board of Education is comprised of 7 members, who are elected for terms of six years. (Board approved changes December 21, 2009)

Members holding office, and the expiration of their current terms are listed below:

Vince Grodus	term expires 12/31/2029
VacantSeat	term expires 12/31/2024
Sara Smith	term expires 12/31/2029
Reid Sherwood	term expires 12/31/2026
Thomas Frisbie	term expires 12/31/2024
Jami Schultz	term expires 12/31/2024
Bruce Gracik	term expires 12/31/2024

4. Members of the Board of Education are elected in the even year November elections.

Legal Source: MCL 380.11a, 380.1031