

**CHASSELL TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
Board of Education
Regular Meeting**

April 18, 2016

The Chassell Township School Board of Education met on Monday, April 18, 2016, in the library. President Roger Tervo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Marcia Messer, Suzanna Tuomi, Chris Holmes, Lynn Gierke, Roger Tervo

Absent: Carl Olson, Ken Kytta

Guests: Tamara Pietila, Tricia Tervo, Sarah Guidotti, Jane Rautiola, Marco Guidotti, Polly Sue & Gary Goddard, Denise Messina, Laura Larson (5:55 p.m.)

Guests

No Comments at this time.

Regular Board Meeting – March 21, 2016 – Lynn Gierke moved, seconded by Marcia Messer, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 21, 2016 with the change to be made to the discussion item (D) Trades Program with a comment added to state that “after a brief discussion, the board members decided to go ahead and begin preparing to offer the class for the 2016-17 school year”. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.

Treasurer's Report - Lynn Gierke reported an Income of \$164,879.07 and Expenses of \$202,755.94 leaving a deficit Net Income balance of (\$37,876.87).

The General Fund Cash & Investment Balance as of March 30, 2016, was \$179,827.36.

Chris Holmes moved, seconded by Lynn Gierke, to approve the treasurer's report, petty cash report, and to pay the March bills as submitted. Motion carried on a roll call vote:

AYES: Marcia Messer, Suzanna Tuomi, Chris Holmes, Lynn Gierke, Roger Tervo

NAYS: None

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Administrative Items

- Local CCASB Award Recipients:
 - Student Leadership - Lars Daavettila
 - School Service - Vern Perfetti
 - Employee - Jennifer Marshall
- Class of 2016:
 - Valedictorian - Lars Daavettila
 - Salutatorian - Kyle Maki
 - Honor Students - 9 out of 15 class members
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week: May 2 through May 6 – staff will enjoy treats prepared by the food service department. Thank you to all employees, you are appreciated every day.
- Spring Band Concert - The spring band concert will be held on Wednesday, May 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. All board members are encouraged and invited to attend.
- The SAT/PSAT testing was done during the week of April 11. Thank you to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for allowing our students to use their multi-purpose room for testing; and thank you to Mrs. Guidotti and Mr. Finkbeiner for their assistance with testing throughout the week.
- Winter Sports Banquet – The winter sports banquet will be held on Wednesday, April 27 at 6 p.m. This banquet will include the following sports: boys' basketball (J.H., J.V. and Varsity), girls' basketball (J.V. and Varsity), J.H. girls' volleyball and Varsity hockey.

- Skilled Trades Career Training – Mr. Parmentier noted that during the last superintendent's roundtable meeting, Mr. Stockero spoke about upcoming presentations that will be given throughout the community sharing with community members the current status of the CTE programs offered through the Career Tech Center. Mr. Stockero along with Career and Technical Education Director Shawn Kolbus will be doing the presentations. The first presentation is scheduled with (KEDA) the Keweenaw Economic Development Association. The presentations are for learning what local businesses feel are necessary skills and programs that the CTE should be offering. The main idea behind the project is to gather information, put it all together and create a plan and see where the CTE program can fit. The CTE program would like to find out what the need is in the local community. More information regarding the outcome of these presentations will follow at a later date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. CCASB Committee – Suzy Tuomi reported the CCASB winter program and open house held on Wednesday, March 23 at Dollar Bay-Tamarack City area schools was very informative. Board members enjoyed a demonstration by the S.O.A.R. group which stands for "The Student Organization of Aquatic Robotics" which is a student-run, non-profit business that works to improve the local watershed. The winter program and open house were well attended.

Area wide recipients for the CCASB community award: Jack Dueweke and the KBIC Community.

- B. Finance Committee – The finance committee met on Monday, April 11, 2016, at noon to discuss the stipend for a teacher teaching (seven out of seven periods) per day. The 2005-2008 CEA contract had a statement in which a teacher would be paid \$850.00 per semester for teaching a full class load (six out of six periods). This statement had been removed from the CEA contract as it was not an incentive that the teachers were willing to work for. The finance committee discussed what would be a fair and equitable wage to offer a teacher who was willing to work (seven out of seven periods). Mr. Parmentier did speak to other local school districts to see what they were offering. The recommendation that was favored by the committee was to offer \$3,500.00 per semester or \$7,000.00 per year for an "overload contract" agreement.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. 2016 Client Seminar – The 2016 Client Seminar offered by Thrun Law Firm will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at the Landmark Inn in Marquette. Board members who are interested in attending should let Jennifer know by Friday, April 22 so that she may register them.
- B. Current Job Postings –
- Freshmen/JV Volleyball Coach – one person applied for the job, Karli Michaels. After a discussion with Kaitlyn Hietala (Varsity Volleyball Coach) the recommendation was to hire Karli Michaels as the new Freshmen/JV Volleyball Coach.
 - (4/7) K-12 Music/Band Teacher or (5/7) K-12 Music/Band Teacher with Foreign Language. No applicants at this time.
 - Half-Time (PM) K-12 Resource Room Teacher. No applicants at this time.
 - Food Service Director – the position has been posted. The district is waiting to see who applies. Interviews will follow the posting deadline.

- C. Young 5's Program – The district would like to offer a young fives program for the 2016-17 school year. In order for students to enroll in the young fives program, the student must be five years old by December 1 of the current school year (ie, for the 2016-17 school year, a student must be five years old by December 1, 2016). The program will run five days a week, similar to a kindergarten classroom except at a slightly slower pace. The district must have seven students enrolled to “breakeven” budget wise. An article could be placed in the next edition of the Panther Pawse newsletter advertising this wonderful idea.
- D. November Election – A discussion was held regarding renewing bonds and whether this should be done during the upcoming November election. Items to be addressed with money received from the renewal of bonds would include: Trades Class, upgrades to the existing school driveway and new door entry locks along with new main entry doors. The deadline to have the ballot language approved is August 16. The suggestion was to return to the May meeting with more information.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. Overload Contract Assignment – Lynn Gierke moved, seconded by Suzanna Tuomi, to approve a wage stipend of \$3,500.00 per semester or \$7,000.00 per year for a teacher who teaches (seven out of seven) periods during the day. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.
- B. Freshmen/JV Girls Volleyball Coach – Chris Holmes moved, seconded by Roger Tervo, to approve hiring Karli Michaels as the new Freshmen/JV Girls Volleyball coach. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.
- C. Young 5's Program – Chris Holmes moved, seconded by Lynn Gierke, to offer a Young 5's Program for the 2016-17 school year. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.
- D. D.C. Trip – Suzanna Tuomi moved, seconded by Lynn Gierke, to approve the tenth grade student trip to Washington D.C. from January 17-22, 2017. Two other local school districts (Dollar Bay and Hancock) have begun fundraising for the trip to D.C., and have invited Chassell to attend with them. The trip is sponsored by Educational Travel Adventures. Each student must raise \$799.00 per person for (quad occupancy); a \$69.00 deposit is required by May 1, 2016. Mr. Guidotti asked the board if they would support the “field trip idea”. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.
- E. Student Travel Money – Item tabled and moved to the Education Committee for review.
- F. May Board Meeting – The May board meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.

Lynn Gierke moved, seconded by Roger Tervo, to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. Motion carried with all members voting AYE.

Approved:

President:

Secretary: