

**PORTAGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2022 - 6:30 P.M.**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Portage Area Board of School Directors was called to order. Kathy Hough, board president, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Members and others present were: Susan Berardinelli; Kathy Hough; John Jubina; Tina Latoche; Christian Smith; Dennis Squillario; Todd Dishong, Superintendent of Schools; Ralph J. Cecere, Jr., Junior Senior High School Principal; Jeff Vasilko, Business Manager; Dennis McGlynn, Esquire and Denise Moschgat, Recording Secretary. Absent were Jason Corte and Matthew Decort.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

There were no visitors who wished to speak.

INFORMATION ONLY

ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Approving affirmation statement for the comprehensive plan. Dr. Dishong informed the board that this needs signed as part of the district's comprehensive plan which is currently on the website for public review. It is due 11/30 and was completed using the results of the teacher/staff survey conducted in the spring.
2. Renewing agreement for E-Rate services. Mr. Vasilko reported that the district works with EFT to make sure that all regulations are following for the E-Rate program.
3. Approving affiliation agreement for internships and student teaching. Dr. Dishong noted that these are regular routine items on the agenda for board consideration.
4. Addition to the regular agenda. Dr. Dishong noted that there is one item added to the regular agenda and that is the wage increase for teachers' aides/paraprofessionals. The exact increases were provided to the board.

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Executive Session 6:34 p.m. – 7:39 p.m.)

1. Personnel matters as listed on the regular agenda.

BOARD AGENDA REQUEST/USE OF FACILITIES

POINTS OF DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD

Time: 7:39 p.m.