

**ONAWAY AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

**June 11, 2024**

**1. Call to Order.**

A regular meeting of the Onaway Area Community School District's Board of Education was held in the Media Center. Called to Order by President James Rieger at 7:00 p.m. on June 11, 2024.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

**3. Roll Call.**

Present: Kowalski, Porter, Veal, Chaskey, Hart, Palmer, and Rieger.

Absent:

**4. Approval of Minutes for May 14, 2024 workshop meeting.**

Veal moved to approve minutes for May 14 (2024) workshop meeting, supported by Palmer. All in favor. Motion carried.

**5. Approval of Minutes for May 14, 2024 regular meeting.**

Veal moved to approve the minutes for May 14 (2024) regular meeting, supported by Hart. All in favor. Motion carried.

**6. Approval of Agenda.**

Chaskey moved to amend it (the agenda) to where it says under regular business, can we make a vote to release emails, board correspondence, make correspondence h, supported by Palmer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chaskey moved to approve the agenda as amended, supported by Veal. All in favor. Motion carried.

**7. Information Items.**

**a. Superintendent** – Mindy Horn-Attached.

**b. Principals' Report**-Attached.

**c. Athletic Report-** Attached.

**d. Yearly Goal Update-**None.

## **8. Financial Reports.**

### **a. Approval of bills.**

Chaskey moved to accept the (May) bills as written, supported by Hart. Discussion held. Porter opposed. Kowalski, Palmer, Hart, Rieger, Veal, and Chaskey all in favor. Motion carried.

Kowalski- Mr. Chair, would you like to do a roll call on that then?

Rieger- No.

### **b. Approval of Financial Report.**

Palmer moved to approve the financial report (for May), supported by Hart. All in favor. Motion carried.

Veal moved for no confidence for the chair, support by Porter. Roll call vote: Chaskey-no, Hart-yes, Kowalski- no, Palmer-no, Porter-yes, Veal-yes, and Rieger abstained. Motion failed.

## **11. Regular Business.**

### **a. MHSAA Resolution.**

Chaskey moved to approve the Membership Resolution as prepared by MHSAA, supported by Hart. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **b. Robotics as Regular Sport.**

Porter moved to recognize Robotics as a school sport and Bryan Pyle as the head coach, supported by Veal. Discussion held. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **c. Approval of Student Handbooks.**

Veal moved to approve the student handbook (elementary and secondary), supported by Hart. Discussion held. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **d. Approval of Staff Handbooks.**

Chaskey moved to approve employee handbook (elementary and secondary), supported by Veal. All in favor. Motion carried.

**e. Hiring: MS Math Teacher**

Chaskey moved to hire Jake Hoffman as Secondary Middle School Math Teacher, supported by Porter. All in favor. Motion carried.

**f. Hiring: Secondary Health and Physical Education Teacher.**

Veal moved to hire Trevor Wregglesworth as a Secondary Health and PE Teacher, supported by Chaskey. Discussion held. All in favor. Motion carried.

**g. Release of Emails.**

Chaskey- After that well-coordinated and extremely searing speech by Ms. Horn, I don't think we should release emails anymore. What I think we should do is have a third-party investigation.

Discussion was held on what would be included in the third-party investigation, including ethics violations, ethics complaints, all the legal fact-finding, and Chaskey having her seat.

Chaskey- The investigator will look at everything.

Chaskey moved to hire a third-party investigation.

Chaskey- And with that, all of the searing things, everything's going to come to light, all the, everything that's done. Absolutely, and with that, as a parent in here, I'm done. Have them back, I'm done. I'm walking off. Let's release everything; everyone can see, everyone take my spot.

Horn- To be sure...

Chaskey- To be sure, I am resigning from this board.

Porter moved to accept the (Chaskey's) resignation.

Rieger- There's a motion on the floor right now.

Veal- Annette put in a motion to accept...

Rieger- She (Chaskey) had a motion.

Horn- Actually, you don't need a motion because the laws in the state of Michigan are such that a board seat becomes vacant the moment somebody...

Rieger- Hold on; she has a motion on the floor.

Chaskey- Before I resigned, I said I make the motion to hire a third-party investigator (to investigate everything), supported by Veal. Discussion held. Roll call vote: Veal-yes, Rieger-yes, Porter-yes, Palmer-sure, Kowalski-yes, and Hart-yes. No vote was taken for Chaskey as she resigned from the Board and left the meeting before the roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried.

Horn- Mr. Chair, in light of recent circumstances and given these, neither one of these take effect until July 26; I am hereby rescinding and no longer accepting the resignation of Mr. Mix or myself.

Kowalski left the meeting.

#### **h. Board Correspondence.**

Palmer-None.

Porter-None.

Hart- Discussed a rumor about the Board not being 100 percent in agreement with passing the mileage. Hart asked all-present Board members to raise their hands if they are in approval and they want the mileage to pass. All Board members present raised their hands.

Rieger-None.

Veal-None.

#### **10. Citizens Present/Time.**

Ken Szymoniak presented to the Board. No action taken.

Jodi Brewbaker presented to the Board. No action taken.

Carolin Robins presented to the Board. No action taken.

Scott Hill presented to the Board. No action taken.

Lain Veihl presented to the Board. No action taken.

Taed Price presented to the Board. No action taken.

Don Grainger presented to the Board. No action taken.

John Kaszonyi presented to the Board. No action taken.

Megan Jones presented to the Board. No action taken.

Chad Chapman presented to the Board. No action taken.

Lanisha Boughner presented to the Board. No action taken.

Michael Porter presented to the Board. No action taken.

Max Boettger presented to the Board. No action taken.

Maddie Parr presented to the Board. No action taken.

## 11. Adjournment.

Hart moved to adjourn at 8:21 p.m., supported by Rieger.

  
Secretary, Board of Education

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Annette Porter- Treasurer  
Lorrie Kowalski- Secretary  
John Palmer- Trustee  
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Mike Hart- Trustee

### ADMINISTRATION

Mindy Horn, Superintendent  
Marty Mix, Secondary Principal/ AD  
Robin Benson, Elementary Principal

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