

**PINCONNING AREA SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting  
September 14, 2020**

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Pinconning Area Schools was held at Pinconning High School for Board Members only and virtual via Google Meet on Monday, September 14, 2020. Public viewing was available via YouTube stream. Request for public comment was posted in advance.

President Coutcher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. President Coutcher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Linda Anderson, Mike Bauer, Mark Coutcher, Nicole Jones, Jera Klimek, Paul Pomaville, and Chris Rabish.

Moved by Bauer to add to the Non-Consent Agenda, item C. Motion to participate in contact sports for the 2020-21 School Year.

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to approve the agenda as presented.  
Voice Vote: Motion carried (7-0).

There were no community comments.

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to approve the consent agenda:

- A) Minutes of regular meeting of August 24, 2020;
- B) Treasurer's report in the amount of \$819,489.09 and PO's over \$3,000;
- C) Board Resolution of Layoffs for Bonnie Gottleber and Stevie Jo Williams, Paraprofessionals Central Elementary;
- D) Voluntary Resignation of Heidi Zapoluch, Custodian, Linwood Elementary;
- E) Voluntary Resignation of Desaray Stein, GSRP Paraprofessional, Linwood Elementary;
- F) Voluntary Resignation of Miranda Betzold, Bus Aide.

Roll call: Bauer – yes, Jones – yes, Rabish – yes, Pomaville – yes, Klimek – yes, Anderson – yes, Coutcher - yes: Motion carried (7-0).

Mike Vieau, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the Return to Learn updates for the District stating that the staff is doing a great job in cleaning and sanitizing buildings and busses. He said there are a few issues with Edgenuity but we will continue to tweak the plan as necessary. Mike advised the Board that the District has had a lot of communication with the Bay County Health Department as it relates to COVID-19. He thanked the Health Department for their guidance and partnership in working very closely with our District. He also explained the timeline and reporting information required by the State of Michigan regarding the Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Implementation. In regards to Athletics/Extracurricular activities, Mike discussed the most recent executive order that permits contact sports for the 2020-21 School Year. The School District will request a waiver be signed for students participating in our sports programs. Masks must be worn by those participating in any sports activity and there will be a limited amount of spectators allowed at each event.

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Mike also educated the Board on the terms Quarantine/Isolation that the District is using in regards to students and staff who come into contact with COVID positive individuals or develop COVID like symptoms as it relates to the CDC guidelines.

Administrators had an opportunity to present reports. Christine Schwerin, Linwood Elementary Principal, advised that the virtual K-5 students will be benchmark tested in the next few weeks according to the ECOL plan. Kyle Woodruff, High/Middle School Principal, also discussed that mentors will be benchmark testing the virtual 6-12 students on September 30.

Mike Bauer provided a report from the Budget Committee which met on September 8, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Nicole Jones provided a report from the Extracurricular Committee which met on September 14, 2020 at 5:30 pm.

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to adopt the Resolution to Grant Emergency Powers to the Superintendent during the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll call: Bauer – yes, Jones – yes, Rabish – yes, Pomaville – yes, Klimek – yes, Anderson – yes, Coutcher – yes: Motion carried (7-0)

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to adopt the First and Final Reading of Neola Volume 35, No. 1.

Roll call: Bauer – yes, Jones – yes, Rabish – yes, Pomaville – yes, Klimek – yes, Anderson – yes, Coutcher – yes: Motion carried (7-0)

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to allow Pinconning Area School District to participate in contact sports as defined by the MHSAA.

Roll call: Bauer – yes, Jones – yes, Rabish – yes, Pomaville – yes, Klimek – yes, Anderson – yes, Coutcher – yes: Motion carried (7-0)

There were no public comments.

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Under Board Discussion, Paul Pomaville suggested the Cross Country Coach talk to his athletes about running together on the same side of the road for safety purposes. Mike Bauer asked for an update on the lunch program of which Mike Vieau advised things are going smoothly. Mark Coutcher reminded parents to be diligent about screening their children at home before sending them to school. Nicole Jones commented that she is receiving positive feedback from a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher stating there are no problems with children keeping their masks on during class.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

APPROVED

Linda Anderson, Board Secretary