

**PINCONNING AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
November 23, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Pinconning Area Schools was held virtually via Google Meet on Monday, November 23, 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 Agenda item VII Closed Session, Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 15.268 Section 8h Attorney Client Communications.

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

Under Community Comments, the following people spoke regarding the concern of face-to-face vs remote learning due to the current COVID-19 conditions. LeeAnn Reed was concerned about closing school and addressed concern about remote learning days and the desire to remove them. Candie Klemm made a request to go totally remote since her child has been in quarantine multiple times. Alana Bauer was concerned about some students attending remotely and some face-to-face since it is a struggle for parents to adjust. She asked why is it safe for some students to attend face-to-face and not safe for others to attend? She requested there be more consistency for parents especially those that have students in multiple grades.

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

- A) Minutes of regular meeting of November 9, 2020;
- B) Treasurer's report in the amount of \$1,119,914.79 and PO's over \$3,000;

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, gave the Board a COVID-19 update regarding the current conditions of each building. Both Linwood and Central Elementary Schools are continuing with face-to-face instruction but it is becoming an issue because of a high number of teachers in quarantine or isolation. This is presenting a problem with staffing in both buildings. The High School and Middle School were mandated to go to 100% remote instruction for three weeks by the MDDHS on November 19, 2020. Mike advised the Board that Joel Straz, Bay County Health Department Representative, believes that because of the increase in COVID cases, it would be prudent for the District to go to remote instruction.

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Moved by Bauer to add the Reconfirmation of the ECOL to the Non-Consent Agenda as discussed.

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to reconfirm delivery of instruction for the remote learning starting on Wednesday November 25, following the MDDHS order with a return date no earlier than December 10, 2020, with the BOE reconvening on December 8, 2020 to review the updated MDDHS.

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

Move by Bauer, supported by Jones, to accept the First and Final Reading of Policy 8450.05.

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

There were no reports from Board Committees.

Under Public Comments, Candie Klemm made the comment that her son's teacher was doing a great job providing instruction to the students.

Moved by Bauer, supported by Jones, to move into Closed Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act 15.268 Section 8h for attorney client communications.

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

Meeting moved into Closed Session at 7:25 p.m. and reconvened in Open Session at 7:46 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

APPROVED

Linda Anderson, Board Secretary