MANCELONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education Minutes of Regular Meeting September 11, 2018

Present:

Clark, Musselmen, Derrer, Ackler, Thompson, Ross, MacQuarrie

Central Office Staff:

DiRosa, Meeder, Phillips, Hudson

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Middle School Media Center

Approval of Agenda

Ross/Derrer

approve the agenda as presented

YES: 7 NO: 0 Motion carried.

Citizens Comments-

Jill Stephenson stated that she was there to support Principal Tina Frollo. John Southwell stated he wanted to thank the principal and staff for the improvement to the pick-up and drop off procedures, he appreciated their effort for improvement. Mr. Southwell stated if the parents are not allowed to walk their children to class, there may be some unforeseen consequences, parents may feel unwelcome and could be detrimental to the student's success. Mr. Southwell stated he does feel that the teachers and staff do an amazing job. Burt Thompson thanked Mrs. Stephenson and Mr. Southwell for their comments and concerns. Mr. Thompson stated that our priorities are student safety, student education and our staff as we fine-tune building procedures.

Consent Agenda

Ross/Ackler

to approve the Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Minutes of the regular meeting held on August 14, 2018
- B. Monthly Finance

Approve Accounts Payable checks for the dates and amounts of: **GENERAL FUND**: 8/15/2018 - \$150.00; 8/21/2018 - \$45,132.25; 8/28/2018 - \$437.57; 8/29/2018 - \$98.54; 9/4/18 - \$146,144.51 **SINKING FUND**: 8/21/18 - \$8,400.00; 9/4/18 - \$4,499.20

C. Accept letter of recommendation to hire James Biehl for the bus driving position.

YES: 7 NO: 0

Communities in Schools: Amy Burk announced we received the 21st Century Community Learning Grant, there were 16 grantees of 35 applicants. Mrs. Burk stated there will be open houses for CIS signup on September 24th at the elementary and middle schools. Mrs. Burk stated that the College Fair will be held October 9, 2018 at the high school for all juniors and seniors in the surrounding areas with 40 colleges and military being represented. Mrs. Burk announced the expansion of CIS to Kalkaska, Forest Area, Suttons Bay, Central Lake and East Jordan.

Principals Report: Trent Naumcheff stated it was a good start to the school year with a nice group of 9th graders coming in. Mr. Naumcheff presented the Board a copy of online class opportunities. Mr. Naumcheff announced they chose 3 courses Health and Science, Business Marketing and Finance and Sports and Entertainment Marketing. Mr. Naumcheff stated fall sports are in full swing. Mr. Ackler asked if the students participating in the virtual classes will meet daily. Mr. Naumcheff replied yes, in the third hour with monitoring by the online teacher and our teaching staff. Larry Rager stated NWEA and AIMSweb testing has started. Mr. Rager announced that Meet the Teacher was well attended. Mr. Rager indicated that College Prep Math has started with more grouping and is going well. Tina Frollo stated that the start of school went very well, although the pick-up and drop off had a rocky start, buy improvements daily. Mrs. Frollo stated that professional development with Terry Morgan and Demonstration Classroom was received positively. Mrs. Frollo indicated that the elementary staff met regarding the curriculum with a focus on instructional strategies and teacher-on- teacher observations. Mrs. Frollo announced that Meet the Teacher was a success with 83% of the students being represented. Mrs. Frollo stated the school carnival will be September 21, 2018 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Superintendent report: Mr. DiRosa indicated things are off to a great start this school year. Mr. DiRosa stated that transportation has had the smoothest start ever. Mr. DiRosa announced the professional development with Terry Morgan went very well and stated that Terry has future professional development dates scheduled to improve instruction. Mr. DiRosa stated student count is anticipated to be approximately 940. Mr. DiRosa stated that there is a Legislative Bill being considered to lower the student growth back down to 25% for teacher evaluations. Mr. DiRosa stated that Mike Washburn will be here October 9th at 3:30 for goal setting. Amy Derrer asked if our student count was down District wide. Mr. DiRosa indicated it was. Burt Thompson asked if surrounding districts were also down in student count. Mr. DiRosa thought they were; however, he would find out more information at the superintendents meeting. Kim Musselman asked if our original budget was for 920 students. Mr. DiRosa stated yes, 920 students were budgeted and the District was working with a \$225,000 deficit.

2017-2018 Audit Report: Business Manager, Mrs. Meeder stated that Baird, Cotter & Bishop performed our annual audit the week of July 23th. Mrs. Meeder stated that the audit reviews financial details and internal controls of all accounting functions. Mrs. Meeder announced that there were no findings and for the first time ever, no correcting journal entries. Mrs. Meeder indicated that the preparation is a team effort with Kim, Laurie, Ed and Bryce having instrumental roles in gathering all of the details. Mrs. Meeder reviewed the main items that the auditors review and display internal control at the Board level. Mrs. Meeder reviewed the audit report that was handed out to the Board Members.

Citizens comments on Action items: John Southwell wanted to clarify that he feels Tina Frollo is doing great and is the best person for the job.

Approve Technology Consultant and Tech Contracts: Mr. DiRosa stated that Bryce Kennedy will be leaving the District November 30th. Mr. DiRosa announced that Intern Tony Tipton will be the replacement starting on September 12th with Matt Goodhue overseeing and consulting, starting November 1st. Matt currently works at Arbor Solutions. Mr. Thompson asked if Matt would be moving to Grand Rapids. Mr. Goodhue stated eventually, however he is still working in Traverse City.

Thompson/Derrer

Yes: 7

No: 0

Motion carried

Items for Future Consideration: None

Adjournment

Derrer/Ackler

To adjourn the meeting at 5:02

Yes: 7 No: 0

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Phillips, Recording Secretary

Kim Musselman, Secretary