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BOARD OF EDUCATION
HANCOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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No.9/16/2024

Regular Meeting
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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the District Board of the Hancock Public School District, Houghton County, State of Michigan.

Meeting open -Pledge of Allegiance.

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Hancock Public Schools was held in the boardroom on Monday, September 16, 2024, at 5:31 p.m. President Jordan called the meeting to order.

Present: Catherine Jordan, Michael Lancour, Taylor Paul, Charlie Klein, Wendy Chynoweth, Emilie Lancour
Absent: Rod Paavola (arrived at 5:34pm)

Agenda Items:
Routine Matters

Adoption of Agenda

It was recommended by Superintendent Salani that the submitted agenda be adopted with the addition of Tim Driscoll being added to Action item #4. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member M Lancour, to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion unanimously carried.

Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes.

It is recommended by Secretary E Lancour that the submitted minutes of the Regular meeting of August 19, 2024, be approved. Moved by Member E Lancour, seconded by Member Klein, to approve the submitted minutes for the August 19, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion unanimously carried.

Member Paavola arrived 5:34pm

Approval of checks written for the Month of August 2024.

It is recommended by the CCISD Assistant Business Manager, Jeff Klein, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Wendy Chynoweth, that the checks written for the month of August 2024 be approved as presented and moved by Member Chynoweth, seconded by Member M Lancour, to approve the checks written for the month of August 2024. The motion unanimously carried.

Visitor Comments: 4 visitors

Dan Vaara spoke about his time in the district starting at EL Wright in 1979. He congratulated the staff and community. He stated that we have the best students and substitutes constantly tell him how great the kids are. He feels very fortunate to have been able to start and end his career here. He ended by saying that becoming principal was one of the best decisions he made.

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New Business:

Superintendent Report: Chris Salani

1. Governance/Board:
 - a. survey results
 - b. 586 students (ended in June with 575)
2. Business and Finance
 - a. Supplemental budget Advancement for 2025 - 31aa funding
 - b. Audit submitted
 - c. Bus garage offers October 1st
 - d. Bond/Sinking fund
 - i. kitchen updates possibilities
 - ii. signage arriving soon
3. Instructional Leadership:
 - a. HS/MS principal: Salani Interim Role (Recommend new hire start in January)
 - b. 27 AI detection cameras active
4. Staff Relations
 - a. School improvement restart
 - b. bi-weekly staff meetings
5. Community Relations
 - a. Apptegy Mobile platform available for both Apple and android

Principal Reports:

Karen Eddy (Barkell Elementary)

- a. traffic flow is working
- b. M STEP results are great for all areas
 - i. above state proficiency percentage on all assessments
- c. GSRP (preschool)
 - i. scheduled to begin October 7th
 - ii. Mon-Thurs 8:05am-3:05 am (school calendar)
- d. PTO Family Fun Night
 - i. September 26th 5:30-7pm

Chris Salani (MS/HS)

- a. MTSS/PBIS and Dean of Students roles are assisting

Athletic Director Report:

Ryan Towles

- a. Recognition of spring sports awards
- b. new staff: Brian Lampela, Varsity Volleyball, Jeff Hauswirth - Varsity Football, Brendan LeClair and Nate Perrault - JV Football, and Charlie Klein and Fred Jaehnig - MS football Fall sports are underway
 - i. Thank you to Trina Barrette, Brian Nordmark and Jill Karkkainen for their support
- c. Progress on facility improvements at McAfee field
- d. Copper Bowl October 25th in Hancock

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Liaison Reports:

HPS foundation: Will meet in October

DDA: no report

Hancock Recreational Committee: has not met

CCSBA: M Lancour is the Vice President this year (Hancock will be the host next school year)

New Business/Discussion/Action Items:

1. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Kaydence Pizzi, Lead GSRP teacher. Moved by Member Paul, seconded by Member Klein to approve the hire of Kaydence Pizzi, Lead GSRP teacher. Member Chynoweth abstained. Motion carried.
2. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Maylie Kilpela, GSRP Teacher Associate. Moved by Member M Lancour, seconded by Member Paul to approve the hire of Maylie Kilpela, GSRP Teacher Associate. Member Chynoweth abstained. Motion carried.
3. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Lori Murphy, Elementary Physical Education Long Term Sub (2 days per week). Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member E Lancour to approve the hire of Lori Murphy, Elementary Physical Education Long Term Sub (2 days per week). Motion unanimously carried.
4. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the hire of Tim Driscoll, High School Business/Math Long Term Sub (4 classes). Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member M Lancour to approve the hire of Tim Driscoll, High School Business/Math Long Term Sub (4 classes). Motion unanimously carried.
5. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the Middle School Curriculum Guide for the 2024-2025 school year. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member Chynoweth to approve the Middle School Curriculum Guide for the 2024-2025 school year. No changes were noted. Motion unanimously carried.
6. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the High School Curriculum Guide for the 2024-2025 school year. Moved by Member Paavola, seconded by Member Paul to approve the High School Curriculum Guide for the 2024-2025 school year. The Early College section was removed. Introduction to Business and Drone Application classes were added. Motion unanimously carried.
7. It is recommended by Superintendent Salani to approve the GSRP Parent Handbook. Moved by Member Klein, seconded by Member Paavola to approve the GSRP Parent Handbook. Motion unanimously carried.

Adjournment of Meeting

Moved by Member Paul and seconded by Member Klein to adjourn the meeting at 6:36pm. The motion unanimously carried.

Emilie Lancour
Board Secretary