

**HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2022
MINUTES**

ORGANIZATIONAL / REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Roll Call – Superintendent Mike Leskovich called to order the organizational meeting of the Homer Community School District Board of Education on January 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Members Present: - President Gary Tompkins, Vice-President Kimberly Willis, Secretary Isabell Nazar, Trustee Chad Rocco, Trustee Josh McCullough, and Trustee Tamra Winchell.

Members Absent: Treasurer Catherine Yates

Others Present: Superintendent Mike Leskovich, Business Manager Amanda Croad, Elementary Principal Heather Cahill, Assistant School Principal Cohen Sangster, Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson, and Director of Instructional Services JoEllen O'Keefe.

Election of Temporary Chairperson – Superintendent Mike Leskovich asked for nominations to elect a temporary chairperson. Isabell Nazar moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion, to elect Gary Tompkins as the temporary chairperson until the start of the organizational business. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

DAR Recognition: A DAR Chapter representative presented Jesse Wolf, winner of Essay with a Bronze Award Medal.

Student Recognition: Rescheduled for March 2022

Request to Approve Agenda: Kimberly Willis moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Public Voice: None.

Administrative Reports: The administrative team introduced the new High School Assistant Principal Cohen Sangster.

Board Report: None.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent spoke about the Active Shooters Training that was provided during the Professional Development Day on January 17, 2022.

Committee Report: Superintendent Mike Leskovich shared that the Finance Committee met on Jan 11th to share that the first payroll using the new SMART system went well, Federal funds were made available for the district to draw from. Also, that the kitchen spending on personnel has increased due to substitutes and is covered in the food service budget.

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Election of Officers – Superintendent Mike Leskovich began the board organizational meeting by asking for nominations for the position of the board president.

President- Isabell Nazar moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to re-elect Gary Tompkins as President. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Vice-President- Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to re-elect Kim Willis as Vice-President. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Secretary- Josh McCullough moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to re-elect Isabell Nazar as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Treasurer- Isabell Nazar moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to re-elect Catherine Yates as Treasurer. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

OTHER BOARD OF EDUCATION REORGANIZATION BUSINESS

Designation of Banks or Depositories- Isabell Nazar moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to use the following banks of deposit for 2022:

- County National Bank, Homer
- Huntington National Bank
- Century Bank & Trust

The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Designation of Signors of the Bank Account – Tamara Winchell moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion, to approve Homer Community Schools Business Manager, Board Treasurer, and Superintendent as authorized to sign checks for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Recording/Election Secretary- Tamara Winchell moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to re-elect the Homer Community Schools Superintendents Secretary as recording secretary and election secretary for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Executive Treasurer – Josh McCullough moved, and Tamara Winchell supported the motion to appoint Homer Community Schools Business Manager as executive treasurer for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Selection of Attorney- Chad Rocco moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to appoint Thrun Law Firm as the school's attorneys for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

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Selection of Auditor- Kimberly Willis moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to appoint Maner Costerisan as the school auditors for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

Copyright Enforcement Officer- Kimberly Willis moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to appoint Homer Community Schools Middle School Interim Principal as copyright enforcement officer for the 2022 school year. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Committees for the 2022 school year were selected as follows:

Calhoun Area School Board Member Association:

Chad Rocco
Catherine Yates (alternative)

Finance/Building & Grounds:

Gary Tompkins
Catherine Yates
Chad Rocco

Policy/Legislative:

Isabell Nazar
Kimberly Willis
Tamara Winchell

Personnel (Certified and Non-Certified):

Kimberly Willis
Isabell Nazar
Chad Rocco

Curriculum/Technology:

Josh McCullough
Tamara Winchell
Isabell Nazar

Athletic:

Catherine Yates
Gary Tompkins
Josh McCullough

Michigan Association of School Boards:

Tamara (Voting Delegate)
Kimberly Willis (Alternate)

Tamara Winchell moved, and Chad Rocco supported the motion to accept the slate of committee members as presented. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Designation of Regular Meeting Dates and Times- Kimberly Willis moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to set the Homer School Board of Education meeting times to 6:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month in the High School Media Center with the exception of December. The motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of minutes and corrections for December 13, 2021 regular minutes, January 6, 2022, and January 13, 2022 special minutes.
- Acceptance of Financial Reports
- Approval of total district payments for December 2021 in the amount of \$903,913.41
- Employment
 - Hire - Cohen Sangster, High School Assistant Principal
 - Hire – Jesse Jivieden, Varsity Softball Coach
 - Hire – Nathan Karney, High School Special Education
 - Hire – Devin Willis, Elementary Paraprofessional

Kimberly Willis moved, and Josh McCullough supported the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections. Motion passed unanimously. Motion carried 6-0. 1 Absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Superintendent Leskovich announced the rescheduling of the Varsity Boys Basketball trip to West Nobles for Jan 29th

ACTION ITEMS – None.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- A. MLK Day, January 17 – No School Students, Professional Development Day for Staff.
- B. Spring Count Day – Feb 9, 2022
- C. Mid-Winter Break, Feb 18 – No School Students/Staff
- D. President's Day – Feb 21 – No School Students/Staff
- E. Student Count – 946
- F. Snow Coming – Feb 4 vs Jonesville

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Monday February 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,


Isabell Nazar, Secretary


Tammy Tackett, Recording Secretary