

# Hillsdale Community Schools Board of Education

## REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING December 11, 2023

### I. Call to Order

President Hoffman called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. which was held in the Hillsdale High School library.

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

### III. Recognition of Guests

#### Members Present

Nicole Hoffman  
Kathy Petersen  
Dan LaRue  
Leslie Bennett- Granata  
Rebecca Portteus  
Pat Flannery

#### Members Absent

Eric Moore

#### Administration Present

Shawn Vondra, Superintendent  
Becky LaFollette, Gier Principal  
Marsha Webster, DMS Principal  
Jeremy LaFollette, Maintenance Supervisor  
Laura Call, Food Service Supervisor  
Emily Hale, Food Service Supervisor  
David Pratt, Athletic / Activities Director - HHS  
Sid Halley, Transportation Director

#### Guests

Jean Michael                      Ashley Opyrchal                      John Opyrchal  
Brandon Jordan

### IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes - November 20, 2023 – regular board meeting

#### B. Finance

##### B1. Treasurer's Receipts

Treasurer's receipts for November 2023 are as follows:

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| General Fund    | \$ 1,511,093.16 |
| Building & Site | \$ 11,666.35    |
| Food Service    | \$ 174,677.88   |
| Activity        | \$ 43,424.62    |

**B2. Bills Payable**

Expenditures for November 2023 are as follows:

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| General Fund    | \$ 1,969,986.26 |
| Building & Site | \$ 22,842.43    |
| Food Service    | \$ 102,211.49   |
| Activity        | \$ 52,466.33    |

Moved by Petersen, supported by Portteus to approve the consent agenda as presented

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

**B2. Bills under separate action**

| <u>Check #</u> | <u>General Fund</u>  | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 108025         | Arrow Swift Printing | \$181.65      |

Moved by Petersen, supported by Portteus to approve the bills under separate action as presented

5 Ayes      0 Nays      Bennett-Granata Abstained      Motion passed

**V. Communications**

- A. Written
- B. Public

**VI. Information & Proposals from Board, Superintendent & Staff**

A. Committee Reports

Building & Site 11/29

B. Superintendent's Report

- Mickala Signor - KDG Teacher - resignation 12/5
- Investigation of complaint @ BECC of asst. teacher / student physical contact
- Prohibited subjects of collective bargaining
- Cyber Security Grant Program (SLCGP) - offset existing costs for Artic Wolf service
- New website: www.hillsdaleschools.org
- Board Committee Assignments @ January mtg.
- Jill Shreffler - possible options?

**VII. Old/New Business**

A. Personnel

1. Taylor Lee - KDG Teacher

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to hire Taylor Lee as a teacher.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

2. Justin Karn - DMS Wrestling Coach

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to hire Justin Karn as a coach.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

3. Lindsay Semmler - 5.5 hour food service position

Moved by Petersen supported by Bennett-Granta to hire Lindsay Semmler as a 5.50 hour cook.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

4. Brandon Jordan - Maintenance

Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by Portteus to hire Brandon Jordan for the full time one year maintenance position.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

5. Randi Girdham - Bus Garage Secretary

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to hire Randi Girdham as a secretary.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

6. Amanda Janes - Business Education (CTE) Teacher

Moved by Petersen supported by Porttueus to hire Amanda Janes as a teacher.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

B. Board Affairs

1. MHSAA Women in Sports Leadership Conference Overnight Trip

Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by Petersen to approve the MHSAA Women in Sports Leadership Conference Overnight Trip as presented.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

2. Policy Updates - Volume 38 #1- 2nd reading

Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by Petersen to adopt the Volume 38 #1 policy updates as presented.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

3. SmartBoot System

Moved by Petersen supported by Bennett-Granata to approve the additional expense of \$41,755.83 for the SmartBoot system.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

4. Banner Advertisement - Baseball

Moved by Bennett-Granata supported by Petersen to adopt the updated banner advertisement guidelines for the baseball fundraiser.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

5. Licensing Agreement - NO ACTION

6. HCCF Donation

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to accept the HCCF donation of \$500.00 from the Kellogg Youth Advisory Fund for library sensory supplies

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

7. Jeff & Karen Kunkel Donation

Moved by Petersen supported by Bennett-Granata to accept \$1,418.12 from Jeff & Karen Kunkel for the boys basketball team

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

8. Shawn & Stacy Vondra Donation

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to accept \$1,000.00 from Shawn & Stacy Vondra for the weight room renovation.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

9. HHS Athletic Booster Club Donation

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to accept \$4,344.30 from the HHS Athletic Booster Club for baseball and WISL clinic.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

10. January 2024 - Organizational Meeting

Moved by Petersen supported by Portteus to schedule the January organizational meeting for January 15, 2024 6 pm at Hillsdale High School library.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

11. Special Board Meeting Dates

Moved by Petersen supported by Bennett-Granata to schedule a special board meeting on January 29, 2024 6pm Hillsdale High School library to conduct the Supt. search.

6 Ayes      0 Nays      Motion passed

Public Comment

Board Member Comment - Bennett- Granata thanked Laura Call and Petersen thanked all the donors for the generous donations.

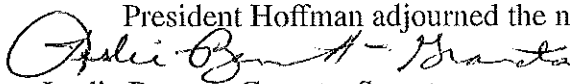
CLOSED SESSION at 6:01 p.m. - **REQUIRES A ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Motion - roll call NH-Y KP-Y LBG-Y RP-Y DLR-Y PF-Y**

OPEN SESSION at 7:14 p.m.

**IX. Adjournment**

President Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.



Leslie Bennett-Granata, Secretary

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