

CARMAN-AINSWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m., by President Nealy in the Conference Room of the Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building.

Members Present: Gary Cousins, La Cracha Handy, James Johnson, Lisa Koegel, Gloria Nealy, Anastasia Livingston

Members Absent: Shiri Weston, Katina Wilborn, Riley Dawson

Others Present: Superintendent Ryan, Adrienne Nathan, Bob Hetherton, Detra Fields, Milissa Kenworthy, Kevin Meinka, Michelle Pattan, Lisa Murphy, and other guests

President Nealy called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Mr. Gary Cousins recited the mission statement.

RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Carman-Ainsworth Middle School Band Representatives

Superintendent Ryan welcomed and thanked the Carman-Ainsworth Middle School Band student representatives, parents, Mrs. Milissa Kenworthy and Mr. Kevin Meinka, the latter both middle school music teachers. Superintendent Ryan shared it is exciting to celebrate the tradition of our outstanding music department. Superintendent Ryan thanked the students for the wonderful performance this evening and voiced appreciation to the parents for supporting the music program.

Mr. Meinka thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity to perform this evening and noted the Middle School Fall Band Concert with the Blue Brigade is Wednesday October 23, 2024, 7:00 p.m. at Carman-Ainsworth High School.

Brief Recess

Superintendent Ryan stated this is an open meeting; guests may stay for the meeting, but they are not obligated to do so. At 6:39 p.m., the Board recessed briefly to allow students and parents to exit the meeting. The meeting reconvened at 6:41 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Community Comments: President Nealy inquired if any individuals wished to address the Board. There were none.

STAFF REPORTS

2023-2024 Carman-Ainsworth Early Head Start Annual Report

Superintendent Ryan introduced Ms. Michelle Pattan, Early Head Start Director/Health-Family Engagement Coordinator, who presented the 2023-2024 Carman-Ainsworth Early Head Start Annual Report. The following topical areas were presented in a PowerPoint presentation:

- Program Goal
- Overview
- Federal Budget

- Health and Safety
- Attendance
- Points of Pride
- Early Head Start Governing Body
- Early Head Start Program Partners and Participants
- School Readiness: Assessment & Goals
- Family Engagement Opportunities

An opportunity was provided for questions and answers; discussion ensued.

Bond Update

Superintendent Ryan noted bond banners and signs are being placed throughout the district and shared there are three remaining Bond Info Sessions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Handy reminded Board Members of the Genesee County Association of School Board Members' special presentation on Thursday, October 17, 2024.

Mr. Johnson noted his attendance at various National School Boards Association (NSBA) and Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) events. Mr. Johnson noted that the MASB Annual Leadership Conference is October 24-27, 2024.

President Nealy attended the Early Head Start Parent Focus Group and Parent Policy Committee meetings and reported on various discussion items.

BOARD GENERAL DISCUSSION

President Nealy asked if the members had any items for general discussion. There was no response.

The business portion of the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Motion by Handy, supported by Cousins, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 1, 2024, and that they be approved as presented.

Motion unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no Treasurer's Report.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

There were no Personnel Items.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation to Renew Annual Summer Tax Collection Resolution

Superintendent Ryan referenced the Annual Summer Tax Collection Resolution of December 21, 1993, which determined to impose a summer property tax level to collect one hundred percent of school property taxes, including debt services upon property located within the Carman-Ainsworth Community School District, beginning with 1994, and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by the Board of Education.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Koegel, to renew the resolution for the Carman-Ainsworth Community Schools to collect one hundred percent (100%) of the taxes as part of the summer collection, as recommended by Superintendent Ryan.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Cousins, Handy, Johnson, Koegel, Nealy

Nays: None

Absent: Weston, Wilborn

Motion unanimously carried. Resolution declared adopted.

ITEMS FROM ADMINISTRATORS AND TRUSTEES

Administrators commented on screening assessments, math interventions, and district and building goals. Board Members shared district events attended and are looking forward to the MASB Annual Leadership Conference.

ADVANCED PLANNING

Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting, November 12, 2024, 6:00 p.m., Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building

Board of Education Regular Meeting, November 12, 2024, 6:30 p.m., Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building

Board of Education Student Discipline Subcommittee Meeting, November 26, 2024, 5:30 p.m., Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building

SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS

- Superintendent Evaluation
- Regular Instruction, Curricular, and Assessment Topics
- Year's Growth Data
- Continuous Improvement Monitoring
- Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) Presentation

ADJOURNMENT

President Nealy declared the Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.