December 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Coloma Board of Education was held at the Coloma Intermediate School Media Center, in the district, on December 12, 2016. President Heidi Ishmael called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

The following members were present:

Heidi Ishmael	David Vollrath
Apryl Watson	Kelly Clements
Doug Kraemer	

Robert Hirsch and William Stowers were absent

The following school administrators were present:

Peter Bush	Krista Bethke
Ruth Kittleson	Peter Olsen
David Ehlers	Darla England

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. Kraemer to adopt the agenda of December 12, 2016.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath, Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Mr. Kraemer to go into closed session for the purposes of a student hearing.

Ayes: Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into closed session at 6:16 p.m. and returned to open session at 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Communications:

Building/Program Communications:

- High School -
  - Affordable College Pamphlet
  - Early College Night
  - Academic Letter
  - Band Concert 12/14/16 at 7pm
- Junior High -
  - Honor Club trip to WMU for tour and basketball game
  - Dance/Food drive
  - JH band Concert 12/13/16
- Intermediate School -
  - Family Code Night
  - K-5 Kindness & Compassion Drive
  - K-5 Christmas shopping
  - Classroom Holiday Celebration – December 20
  - 5th grade band concert 12/13/16
- Elementary School -
  - Literacy night – December 1
  - Christmas Shop

Board Communications:

- Legislative Update – Lame Duck
- Business Services – Audit Update
- Boyer/Wooley Property update
- January 9, 2017 – Organizational Meeting reminder

Information/Discussion:

- Personnel Report – Pete Bush
- Maintenance Report – Roger Arndt
- Bond Proceeds Purchase – Factory Cat Cleaner – Roger Arndt
- Borrowing for Cash Flow purposes – Pete Bush/Sara Ashley
- Berrien RESA – Excess Fund Equity and Act 18
- NEOLA Policies – Fall Update – first reading

It was moved by Ms. Watson and supported by Mrs. Clements to adopt the consent agenda as follows:

A. Minutes of the regular meeting held November 14 and 16, 2016
B. Approval of the bills
C. Personnel Report

Ayes: Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath, Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Clements and supported by Mr. Vollrath to approve the purchase of the following equipment from the bon proceeds account.

Factory Cat Pilot – HD 28" Dish $10,410.00 System Clean, Inc.

Ayes: David Vollrath, Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Watson and supported by Mr. Kraemer to adopt the resolution that authorizes the administration to accept bids and proceed with selecting the bidder.

Ayes: Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Ms. Watson to approve the 2016-17 Excess Fund Equity and Act 18 payments from the Berrien RESA less the Blossomland Center Capital Projects costs.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath, Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Vollrath and supported by Ms. Watson to suspend Student #1 for three additional days (Dec. 16-20) and may return to school on January 4, 2017 with the attached conditions/signed agreement.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, David Vollrath, Kelly Clements, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

Special Education – Timely IEP's – Pete Bush/Darla England

David Vollrath announced that due to his newly acquired seat on the Berrien County Board of Commissioners he is resigning his position on the school board of Coloma Community Schools after 18 ½ year of service.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Kraemer
Secretary, Board of Education