March 19, 2018

A regular meeting of the Coloma Board of Education was held at the Coloma Intermediate School Media Center, in the district, on March 19, 2018. President Heidi Ishmael called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following members were present:

Heidi Ishmael	William Stowers
Apryl Watson	Doug LeClear
Doug Kraemer	

Robert Hirsch and Nicole Hickmon were absent.

The following school administrators were present:

Peter Bush	Darla England
David Ehlers	Wendy Tremblay
Sara Ashley	John Klein
Peter Olsen	

It was moved by Mr. LeClear and supported by Ms. Watson to adopt the agenda of March 19, 2018, action item 6.5 was tabled.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, William Stowers, Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Kraemer and supported by Mr. LeClear to meet in closed session, as provided for under the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of a student hearing.

Ayes: Doug Kramer, William Stowers, Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into closed session at 6:33 p.m. and returned to open session at 7:31 p.m.

Communications:

Building/Program Communications:

- High School –
  Freshman Orientation
  Student Council assembly – Carry the Love
  Testing coming up in April
  Health teacher – CPR training
  NHS – Matt Davis – report on activities
  Band Students played at Little Learners
- Junior High –
  Building positive culture with staff
  6th grade field trip to Celebration Cinema – Wrinkle in Time
  8th grade PSAT 3/21/18
  April 17 – May 17 testing
  MACUL update
  HS NHS members coming to JH to mentor students
- Intermediate –
  Curriculum Night – 3/1/18
  Spring parent teacher conferences update
  Student Council started
  5th grade newspaper
  Read and Feed – Red Carpet
  Mother Son Bowling – 169 attended
  MCEC Poster contest – 4 honorees
- Elementary –
  Preschool/Kindergarten Round-Up coming up
  On Site Review – action plan going well
  March is Reading month events

Board Communications:

- Sinking Fund – Community Forums – March 26, April 18 – 7:00 PM
- MDE Roadshow – Berrien RESA – March 26 – 9:00 AM-2:30 PM
- Kindergarten Round-Up – March 26-27 (6:00-7:30 PM – March 27)
- Ottawa Area SBA – Literacy Expert – March 27 – 7:00 PM
- CTE Awards – April 24 – 7:00-9:00 PM – Mendel Center
- Thrun Law Firm – Client Seminars – May 3, 2018 – Kalamazoo
- National Board Certified Teacher – Kerry Mindeman
- Board Member Elections – November 6, 2018
- MHSAA High School Classification Information- 2018-19

- **Information/Discussion**:
  - Personnel Report/Staffing Update – Pete Bush
  - Maintenance/Custodial Update – Dave Ehlers
  - Landscape Management Proposal – Stadium- Dave Ehlers
  - Junior High Field Trip Request – Mackinac Island – June 4-6, 2018
  - High School Choir Field Trip Request – Orlando – Nov 23-27, 2018
  - Food Service Management Contract Renewal – Pete Bush
  - Gatekeeper Program – Suicide Prevention – Wendy Tremblay

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

A. Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 12, 2018
B. Approval of the bills
C. Personnel Report

Ayes: William Stowers, Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kreamer

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. LeClear and supported by Mr. Stowers to suspend student #1 for 20 additional days and directs him or his designee to oversee the conditions of their reinstatement. If the conditions are not met, the student will remain suspended for the remainder of the school year (57 days) or until the conditions are met.

Ayes: Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, William Stowers

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Watson and supported by Mr. Kraemer to approve the landscape management proposal (Option #2) from Katerberg Verhage in the amount of $5,670.00.

Ayes: Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, William Stowers, Doug LeClear

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Stowers and supported by Mr. LeClear to approve the JH Mackinac trip as presented June 4-6, 2018.

Ayes: Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, William Stowers, Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Ms. Watson and supported by Mr. Stowers to approve the HS choir trip as presented for Nov 23-27, 2018.

Ayes: Doug Kraemer, William Stowers, Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. LeClear and supported by Mr. Kraemer to approve the grant application with the Berrien County Community Foundation for the Gatekeeper Program to provide suicide prevention instruction to 7th grade students during the 2018-19 school year.

Ayes: Doug LeClear, Heidi Ishmael, Apryl Watson, Doug Kraemer, William Stowers

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Kraemer
Secretary, Board of Education