

**CASS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CASS CITY, MICHIGAN**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 27, 2014**

The organizational meeting of the Cass City Public School Board of Education was called to order on January 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Cass City High School Library by President Craig Bellew.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Bellew, Alice Zaleski, Sloane Stimpfel, David Osentoski, and Daniel Manwell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeffrey Loomis and Janie Meeker

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Hartel, Jr./Sr. H.S. Principal Daniels, Elementary Principal Fernald, Asst. Principal Markel, CFO Klosowski, and Outdoor Maintenance Director Schuette

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bellew.

President pro tem Craig Bellew opened the floor for nomination of 2014 school board officers:
It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Daniel Manwell, to nominate **Craig Bellew for president.**
All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Craig Bellew, supported by Sloane Stimpfel, to nominate **Alice Zaleski for vice president.**
All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Daniel Manwell, supported by David Osentoski, to nominate **Sloane Stimpfel for secretary.**
All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Craig Bellew, supported by Alice Zaleski, to nominate **David Osentoski for treasurer.** **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting agenda was reviewed. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by David Osentoski, that the agenda be approved as presented, with the following addition under Recognition and Communications, II., F., 3., - Academic State Champs. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

The December 16, 2013 regular board meeting minutes were read (L. Return to Open Session). It was moved by Sloane Stimpfel, supported by Alice Zaleski, that action be implemented on the student issues, as discussed in closed session and presented in open session. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**
It was then moved by Sloane Stimpfel, supported by David Osentoski, that the minutes from the regular meeting (with the omission included) and the closed session meeting held December 16, 2013 be approved as sent. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (Copies are in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by David Osentoski, supported by Alice Zaleski, that the bills in the amount of \$240,494.62 be paid in their entirety. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

Recognition and Presentations:

Superintendent Hartel recognized the Board with a gift and certificates in honor of School Board Appreciation Month.

The Board learned that sixth grade teacher, Ronald Woloshen, was nominated to be a candidate for the MEEMIC Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY) program.

Superintendent Hartel informed the Board that Bridges Magazine has included Cass City Jr./Sr. High School (11th grade) students among its "Top Ten Academic State Champs". Cass City was one of 54 districts recognized statewide for raising student achievement levels based on test scores and income levels.

Reports and Communications:

The monthly budget report (DS-4868) was presented by CFO, Klosowski. It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Craig Bellew, to approve the report as presented. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED. (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

The Board has scheduled a special meeting, set for Monday (February 03, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.), at the Cass City Municipal Building, with the Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) and village officials, concerning student population growth for the district.

Public Participation: None

Unfinished Business:

The Board agreed to postpone the discussion regarding the Campbell building until after the special meeting with village officials and the DFA. The issue will be re-visited at the February regular board meeting.

New Business:

Regular Board meeting dates and times were established: It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by David Osentoski, that the regular meetings for the 2014/2015 year be held the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the high school board room, unless specified, (including the Red Hawk Award of Excellence presentation (scheduled for the months of October, December, February, and April). **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.** (A copy is in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by Sloane Stimpfel, supported by Alice Zaleski, that the superintendent and the bookkeeper be authorized to complete electronic transactions and sign payroll checks (ACH/Payroll Checks). **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Sloane Stimpfel, that the district CFO and superintendent be the designated signatories for various bank accounts and investment of funds. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

2013 School Board Evaluations were reviewed, with results of an above average rating.

The Board was ask to select a person who has made special contributions to area children. This person and other school nominees will be honored at the Thumb Meet of Champions to be held in late May at Caro.

It was moved by Alice Zaleski, approved by Sloane Stimpfel, to approve the request for a Sunday all school play performance scheduled for March 30th. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

It was moved by Sloane Stimpfel, supported by Alice Zaleski, that the Board approve a one-time Best Practice Incentive Resolution. In order to quality for Section 22f of the State School Aid Act, a district must satisfy at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria, not later than June 01, 2014 [MCL388.1622F]. A roll call vote was taken: Daniel Manwell – Aye, Sloane Stimpfel – Aye, Alice Zaleski – Aye, Craig Bellew – Aye, David Osentoski – Aye. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED – FIVE (5) TO 0.** (A copy of Attachment A is in the Secretary's book.)

It was moved by Craig Bellew, supported by Daniel Manwell, to grant permission for band students to participate at the Tri-Country Honors Band in Mayville on Sunday, February 02, 2014. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Other: None

At 7:40 p.m., it was moved by Alice Zaleski, supported by Sloane Stimpfel, that the regular meeting be adjourned. **All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.**

Sloane Stimpfel, Secretary
Cass City Public Schools Board of Education

