

**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BOARD ROOM
JUNE 19, 2023**

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order** – President White called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call – Secretary, Isic, called the roll.**
Present: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Absent: None
- 4. Public Budget Hearing**
 - a. 22/23 Final Budget Amendments
 - b. 23/24 Proposed Budget
A public hearing was held which included the final budget amendments for 22/23 and the proposed budget for 23/24.
- 5. Consent Agenda**
 - a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the board approves the consent agenda as presented:
 1. May 15, 2023 Minutes
 2. May 15, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
 3. June 2023 Personnel Report
 4. May 2023 Payables
 5. MHSAA Resolution 23/24Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.
- 6. Reports and Information**
 - a. Bond Update - A brief update was given on the new Dutton Elementary School project.
 - b. 98b Benchmark Data Reporting - The Directors of Secondary and Elementary Education both presented the progress of student achievement goals.

7. Discussion Items

- a. Bond Authorizing Resolution - The Chief Financial Officer spoke of the need to authorize the issuance of the 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series III (General Obligation-Unlimited Tax)(Federally Taxable) and the issuance of the 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series I (General Obligation-Unlimited Tax)(Tax Exempt). The Board will vote during action items.
- b. Food Service Contract Renewal/Meal Prices - The Chief Financial Officer reminded the Board of the annual acceptance of the food service contract. Meal prices will remain at their current price from the 2022 school year. The Board will vote during action items.
- c. School Loan Revolving Fund - The Chief Financial Officer reminded the Board of this annual resolution to support the district's budget. The Board will vote during action items.
- d. Cafeteria Table Purchase - The Assistant Superintendent shared with the Board the need for the replacement and addition of cafeteria tables at Dutton and Caledonia Elementary schools. Funding for these purchases are identified as part of the federally qualified foodservice fund spend-down plan. The Board will vote during action items.
- e. High School Learning Commons Furniture - The Assistant Superintendent represented this furnishing purchase as a part of completing projects of the 2020 bond program. The Board will vote during action items.
- f. Emmons Lake Playground and Sensory Play Area - The Assistant Superintendent represented this purchase of playground equipment as a part of completing projects of the 2020 bond program. In addition a grant will fund a portion of the sensory play area. The Board will vote during actions items.
- g. Caledonia And Kettle Lake ES Furniture - The Assistant Superintendent represented this furnishing purchase as a part of completing projects of the 2020 bond program. The Board will vote during action items.
- h. Neola Final Reading - The Superintendent gave a second reading of updated policies as recommended by the policy vendor Neola as well as a few district initiated policies. The Board will vote for adoption during action items.
- i. Foreign Exchange Student Policy - The Superintendent explained to the Board the reasoning for approval to accept additional foreign exchange students through a sponsoring company to follow board policy. The Board will vote during action items.

8. Board and Superintendent Reports

- a. Teaching and Learning Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting which included the following agenda topics: Artificial intelligence through an instruction lens, student voice and climate surveys, parent surveys, 98b reporting, IEP'd students update, foreign exchange student request, finance and operation update along with superintendent update.
- b. Finance and Operations Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting which included the following agenda topics: An operations update much of which is included on this agenda along with State of MI air purifier and water programs. A finance update which all was included on this agenda. A human resource update including status of support contracts, new director position and interim superintendent update. The Teaching and Learning department and Superintendent gave an update as well.
- c. Board Reports - Board member shared email received from Industrial Technology teacher requesting additional of applicable engineering/trade programs.
- d. Superintendent Report - Superintendent mentioned emergency radio system. KCSD has received necessary equipment and work will begin to install the radios into the buildings. Congratulations were given to spring sports teams and individuals who finished strong. Dr. Martin thanked the Board, staff and community for the opportunity to lead the District.

9. Public Comment - There was no public comment.

10. Action Items

- a. Bond Authorizing Resolution
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board authorize the issuance of the 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series III (General Obligation-Unlimited Tax)(Federally Taxable) not to exceed \$11,265,000 and the issuance of the 2023 School Building and Site Bonds, Series I (General Obligation-Unlimited Tax)(Tax Exempt) not to exceed \$40,000,000.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- b. Final Budget Amendment Resolution 2022/23
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board adopt the proposed 2022-2023 budget amendment resolution.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- c. Budget Adoption Resolution 2023/24
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board adopt the proposed 2023-2024 budget resolution.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- d. Food Service Contract Renewal/Meal Prices
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approves the renewal of Aramark as the district's food service provider for the 2023-2024 school year.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Abstained: Brandow
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- e. School Loan Revolving Fund
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board adopt the resolution to participate in the Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- f. High School Learning Commons Furniture
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the district to enter into a purchase agreement with DEW-EL for the supply and installation of High School North learning Commons furnishings.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- g. Emmons Lake Playground and Sensory Play Area
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approve the district to enter into a purchase agreement with Sinclair Recreation for the supply and installation of playground elements at Emmons Lake Elementary School.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- h. Caledonia and Kettle Lake Elementary Furniture
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approve the purchase of classroom furnishings through School Outfitters, School Specialty, and Custer Furnishings for installation at Kettle Lake and Caledonia Elementary Schools.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- i. Cafeteria Table Purchase
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approve the district purchase of cafeteria tables for Dutton Elementary and Caledonia Elementary Schools from School Specialty.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

- j. Neola Adoption
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board conduct a final reading and adopt immediately the following Neola policies: 0154, 5610, 5611, 2623, 6325, 8390, 8400, 7540.02, 7540.04, 8300, 8305, 8315, 9700.01, 1615, 3215, 4215, 5512, 7434 and 9160.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

 - ii. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board conduct a final reading and adopt immediately the following Neola policy: 7540.03.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: Morris
Motion Carried.

- k. Foreign Exchange Student Policy
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approve allowing more than five exchange students to enroll through a sponsor company.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: Morris
Motion Carried.

- l. Superintendent Resignation
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board accept the resignation of Dr. Dedrick Martin.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: Morris
Motion Carried.
Prior to the vote, President White thanked Dr. Martin on behalf of the Board for his dedication and contributions to the District.

- m. Interim Superintendent Contract
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the hire of Mr. Dirk Weeldryer as Interim Superintendent for 2023-2024 school year.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: Morris
Motion Carried.

Break

11. Closed Session

- a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board meet in closed session as per Michigan School Law 15.268(d) for the purpose of potential land purchase.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: Morris
Motion Carried.

The board met in closed session at 8:02 pm.

The board reconvened in regular session with no formal action being taken at 8:57 pm.

12. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia to adjourn at 8:58 p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 19th day of June 2023, and that said approved minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 21st day of August 2023.

Katie Isic, Secretary
Board of Education