



**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BOARD ROOM
MAY 20, 2024**

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order** – President White called the meeting to order at 6:00 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, Saidoo, White
Absent: Nichols

- 4. Student Representative**
- 5. Public Comment**

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the board approves the consent agenda as presented:
 1. April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
 2. May 14, 2024 Committee of the Whole Minutes
 3. April 10, 2024 COTW Closed Session Minutes
 4. May 14, 2024 COTW Closed Session Minutes
 5. April 2024 Payables
 6. May 2024 Personnel Report

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

7. Superintendent Report

- a. SME Grant - Caledonia High School was chosen to receive the SME Grant and will begin offering the course at the start of the 24/25 school year.
- b. Strategic Plan Refresh - The Superintendent presented a review of the past Strategic Plan and the process for refreshing and implementing continuous improvement to enhance the next years of the Strategic Plan.
- c. Other Items
 - i. Welcome to the incoming Emmons Lake Principal, Nathan Walters
 - ii. Caledonia High School Commencement reminder
 - iii. Caledonia High School and a high school student received a special award in recognition of the Veterans Memorial
 - iv. Congratulations to the RAD drone team

8. Action Items

- a. Kent ISD Budget
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approves the 2024-25 Kent Intermediate School District proposed budget as presented.
Ayes: Saidoo, Morris, Isic, Brandow, Barber Garcia, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.
- b. SEAB Curriculum Change
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board adopt the Sex Education Advisory Board's recommendation for curriculum updates.
Ayes: Isic, Brandow, Barber Garcia, Morris, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.
- c. Emmons Lake Furniture - Bond 2020
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approves the purchase of classroom furnishings for installation at Emmons Lake Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Saidoo, Brandow, Morris, Isic, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.
- d. Kettle Lake Freezer - Food Service Fund
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board approves the proposal from Merchandise Equipment and Supply for the construction and installation of an external cooler, freezer, and dry storage unit at Kettle Lake Elementary School for \$144,493.70.
Ayes: Barber Garcia, Saidoo, Brandow, Isic, Morris, White
Nays: None, Motion Carried.

- e. NEOLA Policy Revisions, Second Reading & Adoption - Part I
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board conduct a second reading and adopt immediately the following policies:
 - 1240 - Evaluation of the Superintendent
 - 3220 - Professional Staff Evaluation
 - 6320 - Purchasing
 - 6321 - New School Construction/Renovation
 - 6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
 - 6350 - Prevailing Wage
 - 6520 - Payroll Deductions
 - 8800 - Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances

Ayes: Morris, Brandow, Barber Garcia, Saidoo, Isic, White
 Nays: None
 Motion Carried.

- f. NEOLA Policy Revisions, Second Reading & Adoption - Part II
 - i. Original motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the Board conduct a second reading and adopt immediately the following policies:
 - 2410 - Prohibition of Referral or Assistance
 - 2414 - Reproductive Health and Family Planning
 - 2418 - Sex Education

using option one (from First Reading, April 15, 2024).

 - ii. Motion to amend by Morris and supported by Brandow that the Board substitute the language of using option one (from First Reading, April 15, 2024) to read using option two (alternate proposal).

 - iii. Motion by Morris and supported by Brandow to end debate on the amended motion.

Ayes: Brandow, Isic, Morris, Saidoo, Barber Garcia, White
 Nays: None
 Motion Carried.

Roll call on the amended motion.
 Ayes: Brandow, Morris, White
 Nays: Isic, Saidoo, Barber Garcia
 Motion Fails.

 - iv. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow to table the original motion and move the item forward to the next regular meeting.

Ayes: Brandow, Isic, Morris, Barber Garcia, White
 Nays: Saidoo
 Motion Carried.

9. Discussion Items

- a. 2023/24 Budget Amendments & 2024/25 Budget Hearing - The Chief Financial Officer and Superintendent presented an overview of the budgeting process and 2024/25 Budget scenarios.
- b. SLRF Resolution - The Chief Financial Officer reminded the board of the need for this annual resolution.
- c. Kettle Lake Playground - Bond 2020 - Playground equipment and surfacing are being proposed for installation as part of the 2020 bond.
- d. Kettle Lake Classroom Storage - Bond 2020 - New classroom storage systems are being proposed as part of the 2020 bond.

10. Board Comments

- a. Board/Committee Structure - The Board has paused its Committee meetings through September. The Board will continue to hold its monthly regular meetings and will schedule workshops or special meetings as needed.
- b. Staff Appreciation from the Board.
- c. Clarification on the tabled motion timeline - At this time the Superintendent and Board President anticipate further discussion at the Board Workshop.

11. Closed Session

- a. Material Exempt by State or Federal Statute
 - i. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia that the Board convene in closed session as permitted under the Michigan Compiled Laws 15.268(h) to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carries.

The Board met in closed session at 7:20 p.m.

- ii. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia that the Board reconvenes in regular session.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

The Board reconvened in regular session at 7:39 p.m. with no action being taken during closed session.

12. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Morris and supported by Barber Garcia to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 20th day of May 2024, 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 24th day of June 2024.

Katie Isic, Secretary
Board of Education