



**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.  
Oakridge Upper Elementary  
481 South Wolf Lake Road  
Muskegon, MI 49442**

**MINUTES – DRAFT**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Oakridge Board of Education will be called to order by President, Jeff Kartes, at **7:00 p.m.**

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda item Public Comments. Please turn off or silence your cell phone to avoid disruption during the Board meeting.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Jeff Kartes  Jeff Lohman  Douglas DeWitte  Tammy Stolberg  
 George Tindall  Craig Scott  Brandon VanDonkelaar

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Recommended Action: That the agenda for the March 27, 2024 Regular Meeting be approved.

Motion: **Brandon VanDonkelaar** Support: **Craig Scott**

Carried: **7-0** Dissenting votes: **Choose an item.**

## V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this point in the agenda, the public may address the Board of Education. Please state your name and address. If your comments are a specific question, please contact the appropriate employee outside of this meeting. During public comments, in person attendees may raise their hand to be recognized. Board Bylaw 0167.3 – Public Participation at Board Meetings applies for this meeting.

**Jen Fairweather Thanked Phill from Maintenance and Mr Breiler on getting new books for the classrooms. Jen also shared some stats on Teacher turn over due to bad students etc.**

**Jenifer Gebolys wanted bring to the attention to the Board to look at policy to keep good teachers.**

## VI. CONSENT GROUPING

Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approves the following:

- Item A. Minutes of the March 13, 2024 Worksession meeting (Tab 1)
- Item B. Review of the payments made for the February Bill List in the amount of \$686,595.91 (Tab 2)
- Item C. Resignation of Julie DeWall, Paraprofessional-Monitor (non-instructional), Oakridge Upper Elementary (Tab 3)

Motion: **Douglas DeWitte** Support: **Tammy Stolberg**

Carried: **7-0** Dissenting votes: **Choose an item.**

## VII. BOARD REPORTS

- Item A. Finance - Todd Hronek (Tab 4)
- Item B. MTSS – Matt Koekkoek (Tab 5)
- Item C. Facilities & Operations—Cory Schullo (Tab 6)
- Item D. Food Service—Nick Lazo (Tab 7)
- Item E. Technology – Rex Thelen (Tab 8) **Rex shared some future Grants that may come our way for a Security Center.**
- Item F. Transportation—Jake Hunt (Tab 9)
- Item G. Buildings—Jason McVoy - OHS (Tab 10), Jason McVoy - OMS (Tab 11), Clayton Breiler – OUE (Tab 12), Angela Ogden – OLE (Tab 13), Jayne Silvers – ECC **Jane added some Kudos from outside people on all that the ECC does for Parent and Community Involvement.** (Tab 14)
- Item H. Athletics—Rick Ruel (Tab 15)
- Item I. School Safety-Security – Curt Theune (Tab 16) **Curt outlined several trainings and future trainings**

## VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Item A. Rural Technology Fund Grant to Amy Fett in the sum of \$2,500 for STEM Class materials. (Tab 17)
- Item B. Robotics Team Grant from Gene Haas Foundation 2024 FIRST & SAE Competitions in the sum of \$2,500. (Tab 18)
- Item D. Finance Tentative Budget Timeline (Tab 19)
- Item E. Review ESSER Fund expenditures and priorities (Tab 20)

## **IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Item A. Safe Routes to School sidewalk grant – review phase 2 design recommendations and priority locations for sidewalks based on community feedback (Tab 20)
- Item B. NEOLA Policy updates:
  - Overview (Tab 21)
  - 0122 Board Powers
  - 1420 School Administrator Evaluations
  - 3120 Employment of Professional Staff
  - 3130 Assignment and Transfer
  - 3131 Staff Reduction/Recall
  - 3132 Vacancies
  - 3139 Staff Discipline
  - 3140 Termination and Resignation
  - 3142 Probationary Teachers
  - 3220 Professional Staff Evaluation

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**Jen Fairweather commented on a PD on Surveys on data that.**

**Jenifer Gebolys shared again the need more support so the teachers can teach, and add progressive discipline.**

## **XI. BOARD COMMENTS**

**Tammy commented on MTTS report data.**

**Brandon also commented on the MTTS report data.**

**Jeff commented on several outstanding High School activities. He also had some questions on the Bill list.**

**George commented on what an outstanding Play “Mean Girls” that was put on by the Drama department last weekend.**

**Jeff Lohman thanks for the teachers making comments tonight in public comment, and shared we get the data that the comments were leading to. We are going in the right direction though. We have a good process at Oakridge.**

**Craig Scott also thanked the teachers for being here and sharing their concerns. He also commented on the lack of parental support in the education of their child.**

## **XII. CLOSED SESSION**

Item A. Recommended Action: That the Board of Education enters closed session for the purpose of discussing strategy connected to the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.

Motion: **Craig Scott**      Support: **Brandon VanDonkelaar**

Carried: **7-0**      Dissenting votes: **Choose an item.**

Board enters closed session, the time being **8:26 p.m.**

Board returns to open session, the time being **8:54 p.m.**

Item B. Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approves the closed session minutes considered during closed session.

Motion: **Craig Scott**      Support: **Brandon VanDonkelaar**

Carried: **7-0**      Dissenting votes: **Choose an item.**

## **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Recommended Action: That the meeting be adjourned; the time being **8:54 p.m.**

Motion: **Craig Scott**      Support: **Brandon VanDonkelaar**

Carried: **7-0**      Dissenting votes: **Choose an item.**