

Minutes of School Board Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Cass Lake-Bena Schools

A Regular School Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cass Lake-Bena Schools was held Wednesday, August 23, 2023, in the Cass Lake-Bena High School Media Center.

1. Meeting Call to Order by Millie Baird, Board Chair at 5:00 pm.
2. Roll Call:
Present: Millie Baird, Jolyn Donnell, Lenny Fineday, Jamie Mitchell, Jennie Reyes, and Dave Yates
Absent: Terri Goggleye (Excused)
3. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Agenda Approval
 - A. A motion by Yates, second by Fineday and unanimously carried to approve the agenda for the regular school board meeting of Wednesday, August 23, 2023.
5. Public Comment: None
6. Consent Agenda
 - A. A motion by Donnell, second by Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as presented.
 1. Approve the July 19, 2023 School Board Working Meeting minutes.
 2. Approve the July 26, 2023 School Board Regular Meeting minutes.
 3. Approve the August 9, 2023 Special School Board Meeting minutes.
 4. Approve the payment listing for the month of July in the amount of \$3,854,919.08.
 5. Accept the resignation from Kassandra Solien, Kindergarten teacher, effective August 16, 2023.
 6. Approve the recommendations from administration to hire the following positions contingent upon the successful completion of a background check and drug screening results:
 - a. Tonya Morris, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach, effective the 2023-2024 school year. This item was postponed until the next Regular Board Meeting.
 - b. Michael A. Hanson, JV Football Coach, effective the 2023-2024 school year.
 - c. Caleb Travis, Director of Student Affairs & Activities, effective November 13, 2023.
 - d. Katja Grimm, Elementary School ParaEducator, effective the 2023-2024 school year.
 - e. Roberta Lord, Middle School Art teacher, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

- f. Alexis Erickson, Middle School Long-Term Substitute, effective the beginning of the 2023-24 school year until November 17, 2023.

7. New Business

- A. A motion by Donnell, second by Reyes and unanimously carried to award the bids for the 2023-24 school year as presented:
 - 1. Milk – Cass Clay Creamery
 - 2. Refuse – American Disposal
 - 3. Snow Plowing – Shepard Excavating & Septic Services, LLC
- B. A motion by Fineday, second by Mitchell, and unanimously carried to award the bid for calendar year 2024 for Lawn Mowing and Grounds to Wittner Mowing, LLC.
- C. A motion by Reyes, second by Yates, and unanimously carried to award the bids for the sale of the following vehicles as presented:
 - 1. 2009 Pontiac G6 Base – Daniel Priewe for \$2,503.00.
 - 2. 2006 Dodge Dakota Laramie – Mary Chambers for \$2,100.00.
 - 3. 2007 Chevrolet Express 3500 Base (Bus #20) – Jerry Smith for \$511.50.
 - 4. 2006 Chevrolet Express 3500 Base (Bus #25) – Brandon Hanson for \$850.00.
- D. A motion by Donnell, second by Reyes, and unanimously carried to approve the ratification of a 2023-2025 contract for Rochelle Pemberton, Indian Education Director as presented.
- E. A motion by Fineday, second by Donnell and unanimously carried to approve the ratification of a 2023-2025 contract for Rebekah Fitzgerald, High School Success Coach as presented.
- F. A motion by Yates, second by Fineday and unanimously carried to approve the proposal with Cass County for a School Resource Officer for the 2023-24 school year.
- G. A motion by Donnell, second by Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve the job description for Center Coordinator with the 21st Century Grant as presented.
- H. A motion by Fineday, second by Yates and unanimously carried to approve the revised job description for Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) Parent Educator with the 21st Century Grant and the Achievement and Integration Grant as presented.

- I. A motion by Yates, second by Fineday and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation by INGENSA to accept the following change orders for construction at the new elementary school:
 - 1. PR#3R – JK Mechanical plumbing changes from DOLI: \$65,680
 - 2. PR#4 – Bessler Low Voltage IT changes missed by LSE: \$131,080
- J. A motion by Mitchell, second by Donnell and unanimously carried to approve December 20, 2023 as a Truth in Taxation Public Hearing to be held at 6:00 pm in the High School Media Center.

9. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- A. Thursday, August 24, 2023
Negotiations (Licensed) Committee Meeting – CLEA
High School Room 435 – 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
 - B. Thursday, August 24, 2023
New Staff In-Service
High School Culture Room – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
 - C. Tuesday, August 29, 2023
All Staff Professional Development Day
High School Commons – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
 - D. Wednesday, August 30, 2023
Negotiations (Non-Licensed) Committee Meeting – MSEA
District Building – Arbor Room – 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
 - E. Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Open House – 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
 - F. Wednesday, September 6, 2023
First full day of classes begin
 - G. Wednesday, September 20, 2023
School Board Working Meeting
High School Media Center – 5:00 pm
 - H. Wednesday, September 27, 2023
School Board Regular Meeting
High School Media Center – 5:00 pm
10. Adjournment
- A. A motion by Fineday, second by Reyes, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:23 pm.