

**St. Ignace Area Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2024**

The Board of Education of the St. Ignace Area Schools District held a regular meeting on Monday, July 15, 2024 at 6:15pm at LaSalle High School Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: D. Davis, M. Emery, A. Garlock, C. Halberg, J. Lipnitz, J. Weiss

Absent: R. Frazier

Trustee Garlock was appointed secretary with the absence of Secretary Frazier.

Approval of minutes

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 17, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Vice President Emery that the Board approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$111,221.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Recognition of visitors.

Jon Olsen addressed the board with compliments on the progress of the improvement project.

Board Member Input/Committee Reports.

A written committee report was provided regarding the board committees noted.

- **Building/Site Improvement Committee**
- **Community Relations Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **Policy Committee**
- **Teacher Negotiations Committee**
- **Support Staff Negotiations Committee**

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Garlock with support from Vice President Emery that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Correspondence

A card from the First National Bank of St. Ignace offering condolences for the loss of Principal King was shared.

New Business

Elementary/Middle School Teacher Hire Approval

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the hire of Olivia Champion for an elementary/middle school teaching position. Motion passed unanimously.

Support Staff Hire Approval

A motion was made by Vice President Emery with support from Trustee Garlock that the Board approve the hire of Saylor Sorenson for an elementary/middle school paraprofessional position. Motion passed unanimously.

Support Staff Hire Approval

A motion was made by Trustee Garlock with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the hire of Amy Starkey for a high school paraprofessional position. Motion passed unanimously.

Elementary/Middle School Teacher Resignation

A motion was made by Trustee Garlock with support from Vice President Emery that the Board accept the resignation of Mandi Davis with thanks and regret. Motion passed unanimously.

Music/Band Teacher Resignation

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board accept the resignation of Matthew DiCosola with thanks and regret. Motion passed unanimously.

MHSAA Membership Resolution

A motion was made by Trustee Garlock with support from Vice President Emery that the Board approve the MHSAA resolution for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion passed unanimously through roll call vote.

LaSalle High School Handbook Approval

A motion was made by Treasurer Davis with support from Vice President Emery that the Board approve the 2024 LaSalle High School Handbook as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

St. Ignace Elementary/Middle School Handbook Approval

A motion was made by Trustee Garlock with support from Trustee Lipnitz that the Board approve the 2024 St. Ignace Elementary/Middle School Handbook as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

NEOLA 38.2 Policy Update – First Reading

There was no formal action necessary by the board.

NEOLA Special Title IX Policy Update – First Reading

There was no formal action necessary by the board.

School Improvement Project Update

Superintendent Visnaw provided an update on our renovation project progress and timeline. There was no formal action necessary by the board.

St. Ignace Support Staff Association Contraction Ratification

A motion was made by Vice President Emery with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board move to closed session to discuss support staff contract negotiations and pending approval. Motion passed unanimously through roll call vote.

The board entered into closed session at 6:55 p.m. returning to open session at 7:14 p.m.

A motion was made by Vice President Emery with support from Trustee Halberg that the Board ratify the St. Ignace Support Staff Association contract for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

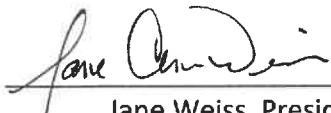
Administrative Reports

Written administrative reports were provided by all administrators noted.

- Mrs. Martin
- Mrs. Visnaw

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Halberg with support from Trustee Garlock that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Jane Weiss, President


Amanda Garlock, Acting-Secretary