

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MESICK CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS
MESICK, MI 49668
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Mesick Board of Education

Mission Statement:

Developing successful learners, critical thinkers and productive citizens.

Vision Statement:

Creating a community where education is a priority.

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was read followed by roll call. Present: Jason Abraham, Sally Flatman, Craig Gabier, Kirsten Ross, William Sexton and Eric Spencer. Absent: Heather Bradley. Also present were Superintendent Ledford, 2 administrators, 4 staff members, 2 community members and 1 student.

1. Motion by Gabier to approve minutes of the following meeting:
 - a. August 14, 2023 Regular MeetingSeconded by Spencer. Motion carried 6-0.
2. Motion by Abraham to pay the bills in the amount of \$2,258,892.13. Seconded by Spencer. Motion carried 5-0-1. Ayes: Abraham, Flatman, Gabier, Sexton, Spencer. Nays: None Abstained: Ross.

The Mesick Board of Education welcomes comments from the public, public comment is limited to 5 minutes per person.

3. Communications from the Public
 - a. None.
4. Superintendent report – Mr. Ledford reported on public meeting regarding Hodenpyl Dam scheduled for November 13th at the Mesick Library; freezer has been installed; outdoor sound system nearly complete – awaiting one speaker; we have hired two part-time special education teachers – we will continue to post for a full-time special education teacher; “Building a Culture of Attendance” training shared with staff.
5. Administrative Written Reports
 - a. Elementary – Ms. Kastl reported on fence repair; shared some samples from Creative Embroidery for student rewards; 4th grade swimming lessons at Cadillac YMCA; potential for Outdoor Education; Students of the Month will start next month.
 - b. JR/SR High School – Ms. Stephan reported on successful PD; first full week (5 day) this week; JR/SR high schedules are now set; 8th grade will be attending

Inland Seas for a science field trip; athletics are going well; new phone policy is going well.

- c. Athletics
- d. Transportation/Maintenance – Mr. Casto reported on hire of new custodian; fence repair; bus drivers are happy to be back at work.

6. New Business

- a. Motion by Spencer to approve hiring of Terrilee Hazel as elementary teacher. Seconded by Abraham. Motion carried 6-0.
- b. Motion by Spencer to approve hiring of Britney Morrow as elementary teacher. Seconded by Abraham. Motion carried 6-0.
- c. Motion by Spencer to approve hiring of Tammy Ross as elementary teacher. Seconded by Sexton. Motion carried 6-0.
- d. Motion by Spencer to approve hiring of Timothy O'Malley as part-time special education teacher. Seconded by Ross. Motion carried 6-0.
- e. Motion by Spencer to approve hiring of Carol Padden as part-time special education teacher. Seconded by Gabier. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Abraham, Secretary