

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
January 27, 2020

Board Members Present:  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. France  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Pod  Mr. Osterholm   
Mr. Goralczyk  Mr. Packer

Board Members Absent:  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. France  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Pod  Mr. Osterholm   
Mr. Goralczyk  Mr. Packer  
(With Notice)

Administration Present:  VanSweden  Timmerman  McCabe  Barr  Lenhardt  Shepard   
Medina  Taylor

Guests: 75

**Call to Order:** President Mrs. Simon called the meeting to order at 6: 07 P.M. in the board room at the Administration Building.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present:  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. France  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Pod  Mr. Osterholm   
Mr. Goralczyk  Mr. Packer  
(with notice) Absent:  Mrs. Simon  Mrs. France  Mrs. Patton  Mr. Pod  Mr. Osterholm   
Mr. Goralczyk  Mr. Packer

**Acceptance of Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Packer, Second by Mr. Goralczyk to accept the Amended Agenda  
**Motion Carried: Unanimous**

**Public Participation: Community Members spoke regarding IAM Eligibility and policy changes.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Mr. Packer, Second by Mrs. France, that the Board approves the following consent agenda items.

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2020
2. Approval of the Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2020

**Motion Carried: Unanimous**

**Communications: None at this time.**

**Presentation:** Chris Drew, Project Manager from Auch reviewed with the board the Summer 2020 Project RFP information.

**Reports of the Superintendent for Information:**

- 1) **Report 81, First Reading Policy 7510 – Use of School Facility** Policy Committee reviewed policy 7510 and is recommending changes that are noted on the policy. Mr. Packer asked that the policy committee look over the facility improvement section so the policy is more stringent on the

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procedures for approving any improvement. Mrs. VanSweden will send out a draft revision to the board for consideration. The board will discuss as an informational item at the next regular meeting.

- 2) **Report 82, First Reading NEW Policy 7544 – Use of Social Media** Policy Committee reviewed the district's policy on use of social media and Policy Committee is recommending that the Board consider adopting Policy 7544 – Use of Social Media. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading on February 10, 2020
- 3) **Report 83, Discussion Policy 5118 International Academy of Macomb (IAM) Eligibility for Enrollment** Superintendent is requesting the board revisit the current policy and consider the following revisions to allow Macomb County students to pursue their passion of an international Baccalaureate diploma after eligible New Haven students have declined the opportunity A. No changes to policy b) Change to the following: Eligible students enrolled in New Haven Community Schools and who qualify for IAM would be given the first opportunity to enroll in the program. C) Change the following: If there are remaining seats available, students who are not enrolled in NHCS but who qualify for the IAM will be allowed to pursue the available seats after enrolling in the district through schools of choice. A written request to the superintendent will be required by each interested student. D) Eliminate D. The board will revisit this at the policy committee meeting.
- 4) **Report 84, Standing Committee Appointments** The board will have 6 standing committees as stated in this report. The Legislative Representative and Alternate will be decided at the February 10, 2020 Regular Meeting.
- 5) **Report 85, 2020 Census – Don't forget to count** Superintendent, Barbara VanSweden a flyer will be sent in early March from the census bureau. This year the Census will be conducted online. The information will directions to the website and guidance for completing the census. The census must be completed by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 6) **Report 86, Kindergarten Roundup – Feb 12 @ Endeavour; Feb 13 @ NHE 6-7:00 pm** Flyer in the board drive.
- 7) **Report 87, Countywide Enhancement Millage – March 10.** Registered voters in Macomb County will be asked to make an important decision on March 10. The 21 districts in the County have placed a 1.9 mill Enhancement Millage proposal on the ballot. The proposal would provide approximately \$400.00 per student for a total of \$400,000 in additional revenue each year for the next 10 years. The funding would be used to support programs and services for students and help to attract and retain teachers in our classrooms. Become an informed voter by visiting our district website to learn more about the Enhancement Millage proposal.

### Reports of the Superintendent for Action:

- 8) **Report 88, Personnel Update Hiring of Young 5's teacher at NHE** Motion by Mr. Osterholm, Second by M. Goralczyk to approve the contract for Vanessa Hess, Young 5's teacher at New Haven elementary.

**Unfinished Business:** Mr. Lenhardt reported to the board regarding the question on use of the van. Mr. Lenhardt stated that HOSA group was not charged for the use of van during their recent trip because they had provided their own driver for the event. Mr. Packer asked the question of where did the \$1.50 originate from. Mr. Lenhardt explained that the \$1.50 charge is for gas and for depreciation. This charge is the responsibility of the club that rents it.

- Mrs. France asked the question regarding Technology Supervisor and if it was possible to defer some of the construction and maintenance/operations to someone else. The board discussed this

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and asked Mrs. VanSweden to look into this further and report back to the board. Mr. Goralczyk requested that the Curriculum and Technology Committee set-up a meeting to discuss this and then it will be brought back to the board.

- Mr. Osterholm addressed the board with concerns he has with the board working together as a whole and not having a divided board. He believes we (the board) needs to win over our parents, staff and community members, and in order to do this we (the board) needs to do better to move forward. The board needs to trust their administrators to run the district as they have the districts best interest at heart. Members, France, Pod, and Simon followed up with comments.
- Mrs. Simon thanked the audience for attending the board meeting. She also let the audience know that we (the board) are here to help you, it is not us against you and you against us. Altogether as a community we can make this district amazing. The board does care and will do the best to get it done.
- Mrs. Patton thanked Endeavour for the gift cards and the new board appreciation signs from New Haven Elementary and New Haven High School.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mrs. Patton , Second by Mrs. France, to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Regina Patton".

Regina Mrs. Patton, Secretary  
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