

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
Administration Building
March 03, 2025**

President Pearl called the Regular meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present: Members Aquino, Gura, Kuntz, Mahome, Pearl, Radyko and Wojtowicz
Absent: None
Also, Present: Mr. Roberts, Dr. Brosky, Mr. Sibley, Ms. Licari, Mr. Atkins, Ms. Blain,
Mr. Kava, Ms. Monnier-White and Ms. Adlam

Roll Call taken.

MOTION #03/01/25 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Aquino to approve the agenda. **Yes all, motion carried.**

Presentations/Recognitions

- Dakota High School students presented the Best Buddy program. This program promotes inclusion and acceptance.
- Mr. James Seaman (Fielding International) discussed timelines and the process which will be used to develop a district-wide vision and master plan for Chippewa Valley Schools.

Board Member Radyko requested that the E.1.b - Financial Reports be removed from Consent Agenda.

Information was provided to the Board related to services provided to the district.

MOTION #03/02/25 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Kuntz to approve E.1.b. – Financial Reports:

- Approve General Fund, Food Service, IAM, Childcare, Camps/Clinics.
- Check Register in the amount of \$2,995,343.49.
- Approve Wire Transfers, ACH and Payments Report in the amount of \$10,719,407.57.
- Approve 2018 Building and Site Check Register in the amount of \$92,036.37.
- Approve Building Activity Check Register in the amount of \$148,5220.16.

Motion passes 6-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

MOTION #03/03/25 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Mahome to approve the General Consent Agenda to:

- Approve minutes of Regular Meeting Minutes held on February 03, 2025.
- Approve Personnel Transactions.

Yes all, motion carried.

Old Business – None

MOTION #03/04/25 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Mahome that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education adopt a resolution recognizing the Month of March 2025 as Reading Month at Chippewa Valley Schools.

Yes all, motion carried



CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS CELEBRATING READING MARCH 2025

- WHEREAS** The ability to read, write and communicate is empowering;
- WHEREAS** Communication provides a connection to who we are and how we live together and interact with the world;
- WHEREAS** People who are literate can read for many purposes and participate in society by interacting with various forms of communication;
- WHEREAS** Through reading, individuals cultivate deeper understanding, empathy and respect for others by expanding their horizons and connecting to diverse cultures, experiences and perspectives; and
- WHEREAS** Literacy achievements and the growth of knowledge and critical thought, as supported by educators and parents, are worthy of notice and celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN THAT

We, the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education, and district administration proclaim the month of March 2025 as **READING MONTH**

Adopted this 3rd Day of March 2025.



MOTION #03/05/25 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the attached resolution to adopt the 2024-2025 Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO) Bus Purchasing Program and that the reading of resolution be waived. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #03/06/25 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Kuntz that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the purchase of seven (7) total school buses from Hoekstra Transportation Inc., as follows:

From Hoekstra Transportation, Grand Rapids, Michigan:

- Six (6) Thomas 77-passenger school buses with integrated child restraint seats and additional cameras at \$148,125.00 each
- One (1) Thomas 65-passenger school bus with integrated child restraint seats, wheelchair lift, additional cameras at \$153,698.00 each

The total for this purchase would be \$1,042,448.00.

Yes all, motion carried.

MOTION #03/07/25 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Mahome that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the designation of the Executive Director of Auxiliary Services to ensure that the requirements of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA) regulations are properly implemented and that the reading of the resolution be waived. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #03/08/25 – Moved by Member Kuntz and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the 2018 Bond Issue Change Order Summary Report for the months of January and February 2025. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #03/09/25 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve Aero Filter for the district-wide purchase of air filters for the Maintenance Department in the amount of \$59,886.53. **Yes all, motion carried.**

Union Communications – None

Curriculum Updates

- Mr. Paul Sibley (Exec. Dir. Secondary Education) presented an exploratory middle school restructuring plan to the Board of Education with a timeline for 2025/2026 school year implementation.

Discussion followed between the Board of Education and Administration.

MOTION #03/10/25 – Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Kuntz that the agenda be amended to add Item I. 1. – Approval of Middle School Restructuring Plan.
Yes all, motion carried.

MOTION #03/11/25 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Mahome that the Middle School Restructuring Plan

WHEREAS, the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education was presented with a Middle School Curriculum Restructuring Plan Proposal at its March 3, 2025 meeting, and;

WHEREAS, the Middle School Curriculum Restructuring Plan Proposal was approved unanimously by the district's K12 Curriculum Council, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to approve the Middle School Curriculum Restructuring Plan and Proposal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the Middle School Curriculum Restructuring Plan and Proposal as presented this March 3, 2025.

RATIONALE: The Middle School Restructuring Plan and Proposal was approved by the K12 Curriculum Council and has been vetted by all the Curriculum Leaders who are present March 3, 2025. **Yes all, motion carried**

Administrative Reports

- Superintendent Ron Roberts spoke of the effective leadership of the Educational Services Department, and how valuable both Curricular Leaders and Reading Interventionists are to the district.

From the Community

- Public Comments/audience participation

Of and By Board Members

- Member Wojtowicz commented on the following:
 - Attended the elementary Science Olympiad tournament for Chippewa Valley. Thanked staff for their efforts.
 - Attended the LEGO Robotics competition for middle school students and felt it was an awesome event.
- Member Radyko commented on the following:
 - Asked that board members be notified when things happen in the district and parents receive notifications.
 - Recognized Kristina Fleming (Science Olympiad). My son participated and I enjoyed presenting medals. Science Olympiad is a great experience for our students.
- Member Aquino commented on the following:
 - Judged the LEGO Robotics middle school competition. She thought it was a great event and was impressed with the students.
- Member Mahome commented on the following:
 - Enjoyed judging her first LEGO Robotics competition. She recognized the organizers of the program.
- Member Gura commented on the following:
 - Congratulations to the Chippewa Valley High School Boys Basketball team on their district championship win.
 - Tonight's Best Buddies program presentation was incredible. He was very impressed with all the students who addressed the board. Considered it a prime example of a program that promotes inclusion.

- Member Pearl commented on the following:
 - Congratulations to the Dakota High School cheerleading team for their success in the state tournament.
 - Attended both the Lego Robotics M.S. competition and the Elementary Science Olympiad: both were great events and thanked the board members for judging and attending these events

MOTION #03/12/25 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Mahome to adjourn the meeting. **Yes all, motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Aquino, Secretary
Chippewa Valley Schools