**MORLEY STANWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**
**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**
**Monday, January 20, 2020, – 6:30 P.M.**

Superintendent Cole called an organizational meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. immediately followed by the regular meeting. The meeting was held in the Media Center of the Morley Stanwood High School at 4700 Northland Dr., Morley, Michigan 49336.

***In Attendance*** ***Declaration of Quorum Yes _X_ No ___***

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| Bd. Member Lisa Brauher | X | Bd. Member Randy LaPreze | X | Bd. Member Ken Ramsey | X |
| Bd. Member Emily Bongard | X | Bd. Member Greg Babbitt | X | Supt. R. Cole | X |
| Bd. Member Matthias Stevens | X | Bd. Member Dennis Smith | X | Rec. Sec. J. Weeks | X |

***Guests:*** See list

***Election of Officers (2020 President will assume chair when elected) – Supt. Cole***

The Board unanimously appointed Ken Ramsey to fill the position of Board President.
President Ramsey assumed meeting leadership with the election of the rest of the officers:
The Board unanimously appointed Matthias Stevens to fill the position of Board Vice President.
The Board unanimously appointed Dennis Smith to fill the position of Board secretary.
The Board unanimously appointed Lisa Brauher to fill the position of Board Treasurer.

**Recognition of Board Appreciation Month**: MSCS recognized the Board with Certificates of Appreciation and a MASB travel blanket. Desserts were served during a short break.

***Approval of Agenda and Order of Priority***

The Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

***Discussion:***

Staff evaluation process - State statue allows staff members who have received a highly effective rating for three years to be placed on a biannual evaluation rotation. Administration would like to implement this for the 2019-2020 school year.

Bond Ballot information – A resolution was submitted for consideration pertaining to bond ballot language for the upcoming May election as well as a renewal of the Operating Millage.

Negotiation Committees – The MSEA and MSSPA contracts are up for renewal. Committee members will need to be chosen.

Relationship Curriculum – Concerns have been raised about healthy relationships among the student body. Mrs. Thompson presented curriculum for the board's review. If approved she would like to begin a class as soon as next week.

Emergency Plan – There are new state/federal requirements for the districts emergency plan. With the recent updates to the plan the district will be able to apply for safety and security grants that are available.

***RECESS:*** The board went into recess at 6:52 and returned at 7:02.

***COMMUNICATIONS:*** None

***PUBLIC COMMENT:*** Mrs. Kristy Supanich spoke on behalf of her fellow kindergarten teachers. They wanted to thank the board for allowing the number of kindergarten teachers to remain the same as last year despite the lower enrollment numbers this year. They have noticed benefits with having smaller class sizes. Student test scores are up and behavior issues are down compared to previous years.

***ADMINISTRATOR AND SUPERVISOR REPORTS:*** Supervisor/Administrator reports are submitted in writing, in advance to the Board. Copies are available at the meeting to the public.

***Organizational Items (meeting schedule approved in December):***

The Board unanimously designated Jamie Weeks recording secretary.

The Board unanimously determined to designate committees as needed during the year.

The Board unanimously designated Matthias Stevens to serve on the library Board and Lisa Brauher as MOP Co-op representative.

The Board unanimously approved the following memberships for 2020-2021 School Year:

MASA (Michigan Association of Superintendents & Administrators)
MASB (Michigan Association of School Boards)
MHSAA (Michigan High School Athletic Association)
MIEM (Michigan Institute for Educational Management)
MEMSPA (Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals)
MASSP (Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals)
MPAAA (Michigan Pupil Accounting & Attendance Association)
MSBO (Michigan School Business Officials)
CSAA (Central States Activities Association)
MIAAA (Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association)
MSBOA Dist. 1 (Michigan School Band & Orchestra Association)

The Board unanimously approved the listed fund depositories: Chemical Bank West, Isabella Bank, Huntington Bank and Community First Credit Union.

The Board unanimously approved the following designated persons responsible for:

1. Check signature authorization – see list
2. Authorization of transfer of funds – Teresa Bowser, Beth Granger and Roger Cole
3. Posting Meetings/Official Notices – Jamie Weeks and Roger Cole
4. School election administrator – Jamie Weeks

The Board unanimously approved Thrun Law Firm – East Lansing as Legal Counsel for the District, and Baird Cotter and Bishop, Cadillac, as auditors for the District.

The Board unanimously approved the Big Rapids Pioneer: daily and/or weekly issues to publish legal notices.

***JANUARY CONSIDERATIONS:***

The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda: December, 2019 regular meeting minutes and bills and financial reports presented.

The Board unanimously authorized the Superintendent to negotiate with the MSEA and MSSPA on behalf of the board.

The Board unanimously agreed to appoint the following board members to the Negotiation Committee for negotiations with MSEA: M. Stevens, G. Babbitt and D. Smith.

The Board unanimously agreed to appoint the following board members to the Negotiation Committee for negotiations with MSSPA: G. Babbitt, K. Ramsey and E. Bongard.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Candy Allan for the High School English teacher position.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Lance Berrier for the High School Special Education teacher position.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Juanita Male for the High School Secretary position.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Art Campione for the Head Varsity Football Coach position.

The Board unanimously approved the resignation of Jake Wing.

The Board unanimously adopted the Morley Stanwood Community Schools Emergency Operation Plan.

The Board unanimously approved changing to a Formative Evaluation Model for teachers who qualify according to state statue for Biannual evaluations for the 19-20 school year.

The Board unanimously approved a new 8-12 Health Curriculum on Relationship Building.

The Board unanimously approved the purchase of Thrun Law Firm's comprehensive policy manual.

The Board unanimously adopted the Election Resolution as presented.

*Reminders and informational items:*

- *CBA 214 Open Meetings Act course – February 1, 2020 at the MOISD*
- *Next Board meeting* – February 17th, 2020
- *MOISD Department Updates – December*

***Closed session:***

The Board went into closed session at 7:42 pm and returned from closed session at 8:16 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent's Evaluation.

***Discussion items: None***

Adjourn at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Smith, Secretary
Morley Stanwood Community Schools