

Chippewa School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 13, 2020
Chippewa Intermediate School 6:00 PM

I. OPENING

- A. Call to Order :: Moment of Silence :: Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Present: Mrs Fenn, Dr Good, Mrs Rohr, Mr Hershberger, Mr DeAngelis

RESOLUTION 005-20

- C. Upon consideration to approve the January 13, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda (corrections, additions, deletions)

Motion to approve by DeAngelis and 2nd by Rohr

Roll Call: Good yes, Rohr yes, Hershberger yes, DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes CARRIED

RESOLUTION 006-20

- D. Upon consideration to approve the minutes from the December 9, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Motion to approve by DeAngelis and 2nd by Rohr

Roll Call: Rohr yes, Hershberger yes, DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes, Good yes CARRIED

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Public Participation

III. SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT

- A. Introduction of Guests (if needed)
- B. Director's Reports
- C. Principal's Reports

RESOLUTION 007-20

- D. Important Upcoming Dates

Upon consideration to approve the next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Monday, February 10, 2020 at the Chippewa Intermediate School Library at 6:00pm.

Motion to approve by DeAngelis and 2nd by Rohr

Roll Call: Hershberger yes, DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes, Good yes, Rohr yes CARRIED

RESOLUTION 008-20

IV. TREASURERS' CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Upon consideration to Approve the County Tax Budget.

Motion to approve by Fenn and 2nd by Rohr

Roll Call: DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes, Good yes, Rohr yes, Hershberger yes CARRIED

RESOLUTION 009-20

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Upon consideration to Approve the following hire:
Nathan Geiger Intern Technology Assistant \$10.00/hr* effective 1/13/20
*co-funded by a grant with Kent State University Stark
- B. Upon consideration to Opposing the State Of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (voucher) Program.

WHEREAS, the Ohio legislature has recently made amendments which greatly increase the number and availability of vouchers for students to attend private/parochial schools at public tax expense, and

WHEREAS, such vouchers will be available to numerous families and students who have never attended Chippewa or any other public schools and for whom state funding has never been provided to Chippewa or any other public schools, and

WHEREAS, Chippewa's state funding will be unjustly decreased by the amount of the vouchers provided to such families and students who have not and will not attend public schools and others who transfer to private/parochial schools, and

WHEREAS, the estimated loss of revenue to the Chippewa Local School District over the next four (4) years is \$400,000 which would devastate the District's finances, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial schools accepting students with public tax vouchers would not be required to accept all students but would be permitted to retain their selective admission policies without enforcement of other laws applicable to public schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial school students are not subject to the testing standards required of public school students so that the actual performance of private/parochial schools subsidized with public tax dollars will not be known, relative to equivalent public school evaluation standards, and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that the EdChoice voucher program as it currently exists presents serious constitutional issues regarding the separation of church and state and the funding of religious institutions with public tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has the constitutional responsibility to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools, and

WHEREAS, the EdChoice voucher program will have exactly the opposite effect by providing funding to private/parochial schools at the expense and to the detriment of public schools and their students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Chippewa Local School District Board of Education that this Board reaffirms its commitment to free accessible public schools which are adequately and equitably funded to guarantee a comparable education for ALL children and therefore opposes and respectfully requests the repeal of the ill-conceived EdChoice voucher program of the State of Ohio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board opposes any funding programs, vouchers or otherwise, that have the effect of diverting public tax dollars from public schools to private/parochial schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to forward copies of this Resolution to all Ohio state legislators, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Governor of the State of Ohio.

C. Upon consideration to Approve membership in the 2020-2021 Ohio High School Athletic Association.

WHEREAS, The Board of Education/Governing Board ("Board") and its Administration desire for the schools with one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary members of the OSHAA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHIPPEWA LOCAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION does hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum student-athlete eligibility requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise student-athlete eligibility standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletics programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction shall be the primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

D. Upon consideration to Approve Music In Our Schools Month:

WHEREAS, the study of music contributes to young people's development through heightened skills in listening, reading, self-expression, and creativity; and

WHEREAS, music education in the schools includes a broad range of types of music and active musical experiences; and

WHEREAS, music and the other arts significantly enhance the morale and quality of the school environment; and

WHEREAS, it is the stated objective of the public school to prepare children for a productive role in our society; and

WHEREAS, MENC: The National Association for Music Education and the Ohio Music Education Association has designated March 2020 as Music in Our Schools Month, focusing on the theme "**Music Changes Lives**", now,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the board of education of the Chippewa Local Schools' School District endorses the observance of Music In Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of music education and encourages teachers, parents, students, and all citizens to participate.

The Board of Education of the Chippewa Local Schools' School District, for its own part, rededicates itself to the maintenance of a music education program that will be relevant to the needs of the children placed in its care and will reach and positively influence each child.

E. Upon consideration to Approve Youth Art Month:

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is designed to bring about a renewed recognition of the vital place of art education; and

WHEREAS, art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities; teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities; and gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs;

WHEREAS, art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism and aesthetics;

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the Chippewa Local Schools' Board of Education to recognize art education in our schools as an essential part of the learning process and to encourage and support this significant art that is powerful channel for the innermost feelings and responses of every child; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Art Education Association has designated March 2020 as Youth Art Month, focusing on the theme "**Take a Journey through Art**"; now,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Chippewa Local Schools' School District endorses the observance of Youth Art Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of art education and encourages teaches, parents, students, and all citizens to participate.

The Board of Education of the Chippewa Local Schools' School District, for its own part, rededicates itself to the maintenance of a visual art education program that will be relevant to the needs of the children placed in its care and will reach and positively influence each child.

F. Upon consideration to approve membership to the Ohio School Board Association.

Motion to approve by Fenn and 2nd by Rohr

Roll Call: DeAngelis, Fenn yes, Good yes, Rohr yes, Hershberger yes CARRIED

VI. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

Not needed

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

DeAngelis moves and Rohr seconds a motion for the Chippewa Local District Board of Education recess into executive session pursuant to R.C. 121.22(G) for the following purpose: to discuss matters to be kept confidential. Upon conclusion of this executive session, the Board President will gavel the Board back into open session at this location. All matters discussed in this executive session are designated to the public officials and employees as confidential pursuant to R.C. 102.03(B) because of the status of the proceedings and/or the circumstances under which the information will be received, and preserving its confidentiality is necessary to the proper conduct of government business. (Roll Call Vote)

Time: 6:44 p.m.

Roll Call: Good yes, Rohr yes, Hershberger yes, DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes CARRIED

Meeting reconvened at 8:12 p.m.

Present: Rohr, Hershberger, DeAngelis, Fenn, Good

VIII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by DeAngelis and 2nd by Fenn

Roll Call: Hershberger yes, DeAngelis yes, Fenn yes, Good yes, Rohr yes CARRIED

NOTE: *The next Regular Meeting will be held on February 10, 2020 beginning at 6:00 PM.*