

**MANCELONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Board of Education**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**October 9, 2018**

Present: Clark, Thompson, Musselman, MacQuarrie, Derrer, Ackler

Absent: Ross

Central Office Staff: DiRosa, Hudson and Phillips

President Thompson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Middle School Media Center

**Approval of Agenda**

Derrer/Musselman approve the agenda as presented

YES: 6

NO: 0

Motion carried.

**Citizens Comments-** No Citizens Comments

**Consent Agenda**

Derrer/Musselman to approve the Consent Agenda Items: Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 11, 2018;

- A. Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 11, 2018
- B. Monthly Finance  
Approve Accounts Payable checks for the dates and amounts of: **GENERAL FUND:** 9/18/2018- \$66,662.53; 10/02/2018 - \$123,706.42 **SINKING FUND:** 9/18/2018-\$36,260.00.
- C. Approve on line course catalog
- D. Accept recommendation to hire Kevin Lavanway as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball coach
- E. Accept the recommendation to hire Kurt Dingman as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade basketball coach
- F. Accept the recommendation to hire Taylor Borst for the HS PE position.

Jeff DiRosa introduced Taylor Borst stating he is a 2011 Graduate of Mancelona Public Schools.

YES: 6

NO: 0

**Communities In Schools of NW Michigan** – Amy Burk stated the College Fair that was held today was a success with several colleges represented as well a DHHS Foster Care worker and Michigan Works. Mrs. Burk indicated that 7 schools attended. Mrs. Burk stated that at this time student participation is low as is CISNWMI staff as they are waiting for their background checks to be completed. Dale Ackler asked how many colleges attended today. Amy Derrer responded 38.

**Tammy Hickman Presentation** – Tammy Hickman presented an informational slide show on the services that the Ironmen Health Center provides our students and community. Mrs. Hickman stated the Ironmen Health Center is a safe and caring environment that positively impacts the health of youth and young adults, ages 5 through 21. Mrs. Hickman indicated part of the process in opening and maintaining

a Health Center, is appointing a Community Advisory Committee. This includes, Principals, school staff, guidance counselors, school social workers as well as a Medical provider, parents and community members. Mrs. Hickman also stated a Youth Advisory Committee will be established to include Mancelona Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Math presentation from TBA Math Consultant, Karen Reister** – Karen Reister introduced the new 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade math program called CPM. Mrs. Reister stated this program is based on 3 pillars of research, Collaborative learning, Problem-based learning and Mixed-space practice (CPM). Mrs. Reister showed multiple videos of students in groups working together to problem solve as the teacher interacted with each group answering questions and giving students different options to come up with the same answer. Mrs. Reister stated this program promotes seven skills as defined by business leaders: critical thinking and problem solving, collaboration across networks and leading by influence, agility and adaptability, initiative and entrepreneurship, effective oral and written communication, accessing and analyzing information and curiosity and imagination. Mrs. Reister stated that teachers engaging with students and students engaging with students enables discussions of problems and options and then working out the problems together. Burt Thompson asked how the groups are formed. Amy Bernthal stated they start out in random groups and eventually the students are assigned groups. Dale Ackler asked if the problem is given to the students and then splitting students into groups. Jacob Kaufmann stated he sometimes does that it can benefit students both ways. Burt Thompson asked the amount of material that is covered. Mr. Kauffman stated although they do less problems in class, the repetitive work will be used throughout the year and they should remember more when it comes to test time. Burt Thompson and Dale Ackler stated they look forward to the end of the year progress report.

**Principal Report- Larry Rager** distributed and discussed the Delta Math comparison from Fall 2017 to Fall 2018. Mr. Rager stated the math program is shaping up and he is excited to see the scores at the end of the year. Mr. Rager stated he has not received many, maybe 3, calls from parents stating their student is struggling with the new program. Mr. Rager also indicated that Karen Reister is a great support system for the school. Tina Frollo – Mrs. Frollo indicated she was excited for the middle school students and hope this program will encourage them. Mrs. Frollo stated the elementary school is working with Math Expressions and observations. Mrs. Frollo stated teachers are being observed by the TBAISD and school coaches every month and then have meetings to discuss options for better student engagement. Mrs. Frollo stated that we have support from the ISD in our Special Education meetings. Mrs. Frollo also indicated that Mike George visited the elementary school for an informative assessment and will come again this month. Mrs. Frollo stated teachers are having grade level meetings to review data, evaluate growth and improvement plans. Mrs. Frollo also indicated that the new teachers are participating in the Marzano 101 class. Mrs. Frollo announced the carnival was a success and raised enough money to support Young Authors again this year. Trent Naumcheff indicated the high school is starting to highlight the CPM program. Mr. Naumcheff announced that Demonstration Classroom has started. Mr. Naumcheff announced Mr. Cutler has scheduled several activities and assemblies for Homecoming Week. Mr. Naumcheff stated the College Fair was a success and felt it is a great opportunity for our students. Mr. Naumcheff thanked Amy Derrer for her hard work making the College Fair a success. Mr. Naumcheff stated the Volleyball team has had its ups and down's this season. Mr. Naumcheff indicated that the Cross Country team is looking good for Conference Champs. Mr. Naumcheff indicated that the Homecoming King and Queen will be selected on Friday at the football game. Mr. Naumcheff announced that the Homecoming dance will be October 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 11:00 pm. Board member, Dale Ackler asked if students could take any online class. Mr. Naumcheff responded, possibly in the future. Dr. Ackler asked if there are teachers on-site for virtual learning. Mr. Naumcheff state yes.

**Superintendent's Report- Mr. DiRosa** - Mr. DiRosa announced that the student count was 935. Mr. DiRosa stated our budget is still approximately \$100,000.00 short. However, Mr. DiRosa stated we will

be close to making it up throughout the year. Mr. DiRosa stated on November 1<sup>st</sup> Terry Morgan will be here for Improvement of Instruction professional development. Mr. DiRosa thanked the administration for their hard work on Improving Instruction. Mr. DiRosa announced that November 8<sup>th</sup> will be a half day for students as well as parent/teacher conferences.

Items for future consideration: None

**Adjournment**

Derrera/Ackler To adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Yes: 6

No: 0

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Laurie Phillips, Recording Secretary



Kim Musselman, Secretary