

**MORLEY STANWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANZATIONAL MEETING
Monday, April 17, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

President Bongard called a workshop meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:28 pm followed by the regular meeting. The meetings were held in the Morley Stanwood High School Media Center, 4700 Northland Dr., Morley, Michigan, 49336.

In Attendance

Declaration of Quorum Yes X No

Bd. Member Emily Bongard	X	Bd. Member Greg Babbitt	X	Bd. Member Dennis Smith	X
Bd. Member Mary Engelsman	X	Bd. Member Randy LaPreze	X	Supt. R. Cole	X
Bd. Member Andrew Radle	X	Bd. Member Michelle Frisbie	X	Rec. Sec. J.Weeks	X

Approval of Agenda and Order of Priority: The Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Workshop Discussion:

Bond Invoice – Two invoices were submitted, one from Christman and one from Mathison|Mathison.

Early Graduation Procedure – Board members were asked what they wanted to do with the policy going forward. They will plan to take action at the May meeting.

Graduation Alliance – Program that can be used for students at risk of dropping out, have dropped or are credit deficient. The program provides a certified teacher and is proficiency based.

Lockdown – Mr. Cole recapped the events that led up to the lockdown that took place the first week of April. He was contacted by law enforcement at 8:05 in the morning. After meeting with the parent and student to confirm the complaint the district went into lockdown around 8:15. Administration assisted law enforcement with their investigation. An assessment of Safe Mode procedures is ongoing in order to identify what can and should be done differently.

Mecosta Osceola Community Crisis Response Presentation: Emily Bongard shared information about the Mecosta Osceola Community Crisis Response Team. The team was initiated over 30 years ago. Their main focus is to provide debriefing after a crisis providing survivors support. They utilize the Mitchel Model for debriefings. The team is available to groups such as schools, first responders and other community members.

Recess: NA

Return to session, regular meeting: NA

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Ken Moiles addressed the board to discuss the recent lockdown. He has concerns with the type of communication that was used to notify parents. He stated that many parents he had talked with were upset that the school did not communicate to parents in other forms besides Facebook and were not notified until five hours after the fact by other communication avenues. He himself does not use social media and strongly believes the district should utilize other forms of communication.

Communications: Mr. Cole shared an update from the Community Foundation regarding the scholarship account standing.

Administrator and Supervisor Reports: Supervisor/Administrator reports are submitted in writing, in advance to the Board. Reports can be viewed on the district's website.

Consent Agenda: The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, March 13, 2023 special meeting minutes, March 20, 2023 regular meeting minutes and bills and financial reports presented.

APRIL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Board unanimously approved to pay the 2020 Bond Series I & II invoices totaling \$93,561.72.

The Board unanimously approved the Camp Tall Oaks Odd Fellow Football Camp August 6th through August 10th, 2023.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Brenda Paris –High School Special Education Program Teacher

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Taylor Prins – Elementary Social Worker.

The Board unanimously adopted the MOISD Biennial Election Resolution to consider the designation of Mary Engelsman as representative and Randy LaPreze as an alternate.

The Board unanimously approved Chartwell's annual contract renewal for the 2023-2024 school year.

Discussion items: Mr. Cole shared the date of the upcoming Legislative meeting taking place at the ISD and inquired as to who would be able to attend. Member Engelsman expressed an interest.

Mohawk Relays and the Baseball/Softball tournament took place this passed weekend. Member Bongard commented on how well it went and was impressed by the large turnout.

Members were asked who would be in attendance for high school and kindergarten graduation. All members will attend the high school graduation and Member Engelsman will attend kindergarten graduation.

Members LaPreze, Bongard and Babbitt will be attending the County School Board meeting on May 22nd at the MOISD.

Reminders and informational items:

- ***Next Board meeting May 15, 2023, 6:30 PM***
- ***County School Board meeting, May 22, 2023 6:00 pm at the MOISD***

Adjourn at 7:24 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Smith, Secretary
Morley Stanwood Community Schools