

**MORLEY STANWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, October 21, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.**

President Bongard called a workshop meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:30 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 Brent Beemer	X	Bd. Member Michelle Frisbie	X	Rec. Sec. J.Weeks	X

***Workshop Discussions:***

Bond Invoice – Four invoices was submitted, one from Mathison|Mathison, one from Arizent, and one from Spicer Group.

School Owned Property – Member Smith was notified by a community member who while hunting near the 180<sup>th</sup> school owned property was approached by someone telling him that he could not hunt there. The person directed the community member to a hand written letter that was posted claiming to be from the board. The notes will be removed. The board discussed what activities are allowed on school owned properties. It was decided to contact a sign company to make signs stating allowable uses to be posted.

Update on Senior Trip Options – After taking into consideration the board concerns, Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Moore (Senior Class advisors) polled the class offering alternate trips to Chicago, Cedar Point, Detroit or Mackinaw. They are posting a sign up sheet for a Chicago trip to see if there is enough interest to proceed with that option as an alternative to Disney for those students not interested in the Disney trip.

Principal Appreciation – The Board recognized and thanked the principals for their dedication to students.

***Recess:*** NA

***Return to session, regular meeting:*** NA

***Approval of Agenda and Order of Priority:*** The Board unanimously approved the agenda as amended to include Principal Appreciation as part of the workshop.

**Public Comment:** A student read a letter to the board.

**Communications:** Mr. Cole shared a letter he received from Ron Irwin concerning the band attending the Morley Memorial Day Parade. President Bongard shared an invitation to the inauguration of the new Montcalm Community College president.

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

**Consent Agenda:** The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, September 9, 2024 regular meeting minutes, bills, and financial reports presented.

**October Considerations:**

The Board unanimously approved to pay the 2020 Bond Series II & III invoice totaling \$38,211.25.

The Board unanimously approved the Senior Class trip to Florida – Disney World.

The Board unanimously adopted the Ratifying Resolution for Bond Series III.

The Board unanimously approved to permanently expel student # 1-2425 for gross misconduct, insubordination, and physical assault of an employee. Student # 1-2425 must appear in front of the Board of Education to apply for reinstatement prior to returning from expulsion.

The Board unanimously approved to expel student # 2-2425 for gross misconduct, significant disruption of the learning environment and destruction of school property through the first semester of the 24-25 school year with educational services. Student #2-2425 must appear in front of the Board of Education to apply for reinstatement prior to returning from expulsion.

**Closed Session – Student Discipline Hearing**

The board motioned to go into closed session at 8:13 and returned to open session at 8:32.

The Board unanimously approved to expel student #3-2425 for the 24-25 school year for gross misconduct, statements of violence against a student and creating a hostile environment with educational services provided virtually. The student must appear in front of the Board of Education to apply for reinstatement prior to returning from expulsion.

***Discussion items:*** NA

***Reminders and informational items:***

- ***Next Board Meeting, November 18, 2024***

***Adjourn*** at 8:48 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Smith, Secretary  
Morley Stanwood Community Schools