



Parchment, Michigan March 26, 2018

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Parchment School District, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, was held on Monday, March 26, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at Parchment Middle School, 307 North Riverview Drive, Parchment, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John Madaras, President.

MEMBERS PRESENT Michelle Ammon, Dodi Leckie, John Madaras, Jennifer Miller, and Annette Sorensen

MEMBERS ABSENT Cheryl Balmer and Rhonda Newman

OTHERS PRESENT Matthew Miller, Paula Smeed, Bob Champion, Tina Maxwell, George Stamas, Sonja LeRoy, Jason Misner, Nicole Berish, Marcy Patterson, Sarah Neumann, Julia Kaemming, Amy Hansen, Christina Reich, staff members and others

CONSENT AGENDA Annette Sorensen moved to approve the agenda with support from Jennifer Miller.

All voted aye – motion carried.

- Included:
- Adoption of the Agenda
 - Approval of regular meeting minutes of February 26, 2018
 - Financial Reports

February vendor bills:	\$	1,219,813.11
(Payroll related \$852,987.13)		
Hot Lunch	\$	73,596.51
Trust & Agency	\$	10,550.41
QZAB Capital		
Project Fund	\$	0.00
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$	1,303,960.03

COMMUNICATIONS None

RECOGNITIONS None

Parchment High School
1916 East G Avenue
Parchment, MI 49004
(269) 488 1100

Parchment Middle School
307 North Riverview Drive
Parchment, MI 49004
(269) 488 1200

Central Elementary
516 North Orient Street
Parchment, MI 49004
(269) 488.1000

North Elementary
5535 Keyes Drive
Kalamazoo, MI 49004
(269) 488 1400

Northwood Elementary
600 Edison Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49004
(269) 488 1300

Barclay Hills
Education Center
1125 East Mosel Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49004
(269) 488 1470

Preschool &
Childcare Center
600 Edison Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49004
(269) 488 1360

**COMMENTS
REGARDING
AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments on agenda items.

**COMMITTEE
REPORT**

Public Relations – Michelle Ammon reported that the committee met with Sarah Morgan and Heather Isch from LKF Marketing. There was a discussion regarding how to move forward to create a more positive narrative about our District. We have developed a District Ambassador Committee including administrators, school board members, superintendent, teachers, and the Parchment Foundation president. The new committee will work with LKF Marketing to develop and implement strategies.

**BUILDING
REPORT**

Parchment Middle School – Principal Jason Misner shared the great things going on in the Middle School both educationally and, in connecting with the students.

The middle school staff is working on climate and culture with leadership and love. They are using TNT (Transformational Not Transitional) this is being done to empower kids to be great leaders.

Jason Misner shared M-Step data – the middle school scores were above or well above the state average in most grades and subject. Mr. Misner also showed a comparison between other local schools and again scored higher or similar to surrounding, and generally higher, socioeconomic districts.

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

Superintendent Matthew Miller shared more regarding the Public Relations Committee meeting and the newly created “Ambassador Committee”. The purpose is to enhance and restore positivity in the school district and community. Mr. Miller highlighted potential strategies including:

- How to keep current resident students and attract outside students via School of Choice
- Getting back to the mission and vision of our district
- Recognizing staff that are doing great things
- Promote greater usage of Facebook, Twitter, and our website
- Produce an updated YouTube video

**NEOLA POLICY
APPROVAL**

Dodi Leckie moved to approve the listed Board Policies (NEOLA) for a second reading as presented in reference #1. Jennifer Miller seconded the motion.

1421, 1439, 2414, 3121, 3139, 4121, 4139, 5630.01, 8142, 8321, 7540.03, 7540.04, 7540.05, 7540.06

AYES: Michelle Ammon, Dodi Leckie, John Madaras, Jennifer Miller, and Annette Sorensen

NAYES: None

Motion carried: 5 – 0

**COMMENTS
REGARDING
NON-AGENDA
ITEMS**

Karen Stevens gave an update of PEA activities. Karen also gave kudos to some “unsung” heroes Randy Laws and food service workers.

Dodi Leckie commented that spring sports would be starting soon.

George Stamas mentioned that Student Council was in Grand Rapids with teacher Jodie Lugar-McManus.

**FUTURE ITEMS FOR
CONSIDERATION**

The next regular board meeting will be on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Parchment High School.

There will be a Work Session – CBA 107 Labor Relations on Wednesday, May 2, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Board of Education of the
Parchment School District


Cheryl Balmer, Secretary