



**Parchment, Michigan
August 24, 2015**

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Parchment School District, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, was held on Monday, August 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Parchment High School, 1916 E. G Avenue, Parchment Michigan.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT Tom Andrews, Doug Heaney, John Madaras, Cheryl Balmer, Dodi Leckie, and Ben Tanis

MEMBERS ABSENT Nancy Lenz

OTHERS PRESENT Matthew Miller, Paula Smeed, Bob Champion, Sarah Neumann, Marcy Patterson, Julia Kaemming, Jason Misner, George Stamas, Amy Hansen, Scott Karaptian, Sonja LeRoy, Tina Maxwell, Kristy Mattern, Anna Wessing, Katie Fotis, Justina Harris, Erin Verona, DeAnna Phillips, Jessica Collison, Meghan Bartow, Karen Stevens, Sarah Terry, Natalie Terry, Kasey Hunt, Stella Hunt, and others

CONSENT AGENDA Ben Tanis moved to approve the consent agenda with support from John Madaras. All voted aye – motion carried.

- Included:
- Adoption of the Agenda
 - Approval of resignation requests from Sandi Turpel, RTI Interventionist, Central Elementary and Rachel Hass, Barclay Hills Education Center Science Instructor; and approval of new instructors Jamie Tomaszewski as High School Social Studies Instructor; Katie Fotis as Middle School ELA Instructor, Dustin Worm as Middle School Social Studies, Justina Harris as North Elementary Kindergarten Instructor, Erin Verona as North Elementary 1st Grade Instructor, Jessica Collison as Elementary Music Instructor, Kerry Oostdyk, Barclay Hills Education Center Math Instructor, and Dominique Hunt, High School and Barclay Hills Education Center as College/Career Readiness & Student Success Support Coordinator, Meghan Bartow, School Psychologist

- Approval of the Regular & Closed meeting minutes of July 27, 2015
- Financial Reports

June Expense (Gen. Fund):	\$ 1,498,756.58
(Payroll related \$776,847.17)	
Hot Lunch	\$ 73,455.12
Trust & Agency	\$ 3,077.50
QZAB Bond Fund	\$ 103,211.00
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 1,609,543.66

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Superintendent Matthew Miller reported that he has been through the buildings and everyone is getting ready for school to begin. Grand Rapids Building Services (GRBS) is doing a stellar job so far.

The BCS Conference has asked all member districts to pass a resolution to enforce the conference bylaws. This is the 2nd year of their existence. The BCS Conference currently has 18 member schools. Parchment is at the larger end of the school size. Kudos to Jason Misner for working through this conference transition.

Superintendent Miller had a handout from Calhoun ISD – Quick Guide to Educational Legislation. Superintendent Miller gave a brief update on a select few:

- PA 42 – Districts allowed up to two food fundraisers per week not conforming with federal regulations
- PA 98-103 – Taking away local control (no February election dates)
- PA 109 – Early Warning System-law is complex, extra work with shortage of money, for schools with a fund balance <5%,
- PA 128-129 – A school bus does not have to stop at an inactive railroad crossing.

Key pending legislation:

- Evaluation System
- Third Grade Reading

**ACTION ON
TRIP REQUEST**

John Madaras moved to approve the trip request for the 6th grade camp per reference #1. Cheryl Balmer seconded the motion.

All voted AYE - Motion carried

**NEOLA POLICY
APPROVAL**

Doug Heaney moved to approve the listed board NEOLA policies for a first reading. Ben Tanis seconded the motion.

AYES: Tom Andrews, Doug Heaney, John Madaras, Cheryl Balmer, Dodi Leckie, and Ben Tanis

NAYS: None

Motion carries: 6 – 0

**BCS CONFERENCE
RESOLUTION**

Dodi Leckie moved to approve the BCS Conference Resolution, reference #3. John Madaras seconded the motion.

All voted AYE – Motion carried

**HIGH SCHOOL
HANDBOOK
CHANGES**

Ben Tanis moved to approve the changes to the High School Handbook as listed in reference #4. Dodi Leckie seconded the motion.

All voted AYE – Motion carried

COMMENTS

Karen Stevens thanked the board for visiting the buildings and they enjoyed working with them.

Superintendent Miller mentioned the Athletic Boosters Golf Outing. They currently have 31 teams—most they have ever had.

**FUTURE ITEMS FOR
CONSIDERATION**

The next regular board meeting will be on Monday, Sept 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Parchment High School.

The Staff Welcome Back Breakfast will be on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 7:30 a.m. at the Middle School.

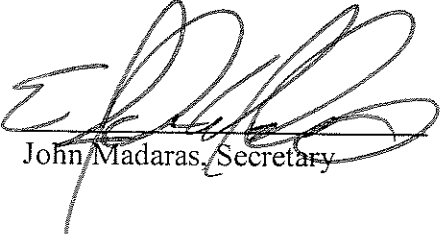
Work Session follow-up, schedule a work session in September or early October.

Students return to school on Tuesday, September 8.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Board of Education of the
Parchment School District



John Madaras, Secretary

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