



Parchment, Michigan December 18, 2017

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Parchment School District, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, was held on Monday, December 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at Barclay Hills Education Center, 1125 Mosel, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT Michelle Ammon, Cheryl Balmer, Dodi Leckie, John Madaras, Jennifer Miller, Rhonda Newman, and Annette Sorensen

MEMBERS ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Matthew Miller, Julie Rohrer, Paula Smeed, Bob Champion, Tina Maxwell, Sonja LeRoy, Jason Misner, Nicole Berish, Marcy Patterson, Sarah Neumann, Julia Kaemming, many staff members and others

CONSENT AGENDA Michelle Ammon moved to approve the agenda with support from Dodi Leckie.

All voted aye – motion carried.

Included: - Adoption of the Agenda
- Approval of the Regular meeting minutes of November 27, 2017
- Financial Reports

October vendor bills:	\$ 1,542,359.33
(Payroll related \$899,734.26)	
Hot Lunch	\$ 2,246.77
Trust & Agency	\$ 9,120.92
QZAB Capital	
Project Fund	\$ 0.00
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 1,553,727.02

COMMUNICATIONS None

RECOGNITIONS Karen Heasley, a trustee with the Parchment Schools Foundation introduced Rickey Lynch, a 5th grader at North Elementary. Mrs. Heasley explained the Holiday Sharing Card project and that Rickey’s drawing had been selected for the cover of the 2017 card. Marcy Patterson, Principal at North Elementary along with Mrs. Heasley, presented Rickey with a framed print of his card from the Foundation.

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.

**BARCLAY HILLS
EDUCATION
CENTER
BUILDING
REPORT**

Principal Tina Maxwell shared the mission and belief statement for Barclay Hills Education Center. She stated that Barclay's staff has a heart for their students. Mrs. Maxwell has six-school improvement goals:

- 1) All students will improve their writing skills
- 2) All students will improve their math skills
- 3) All students will improve their reading skills
- 4) All students will demonstrate behaviors they need for success in the workplace
- 5) All students will improve their science skills
- 6) All students will improve their social studies skills

Mrs. Maxwell's vision for Barclay Hills Education Center is for them to be a trauma-informed school—being informed about and sensitive to trauma, and providing a safe, stable, and understanding environment for students and staff. A primary goal is to prevent re-injury or re-traumatization by acknowledging trauma and its triggers, and avoiding stigmatizing and punishing students unnecessarily.

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

Superintendent Matthew Miller commented on the House passing legislation aimed at alleviating the shortage of substitute teachers. The legislation proposes lowering the number of college credits required to substitute from 90 to 60 hours. This bill is intended to expand the pool of eligible substitutes.

Mr. Miller also mentioned the Senate passed Senate Bills 584-586. These bills will allow an individual with a special endorsement to carry concealed weapons on school grounds among other otherwise prohibited place. He is opposed to the legislation and has spoken with Representative Griffin expressing his concerns. The board would like to pass a resolution opposing the legislation at their next meeting.

**ACTION ON
ANNUAL SUMMER
TAX RESOLUTION**

Rhonda Newman moved to approve the Summer Tax Resolution for 2018. Jenifer Miller seconded the motion

AYES: Michelle Ammon, Cheryl Balmer, Dodi Leckie, John Madaras, Jennifer Miller, Rhonda Newman, and Annette Sorensen.

NAYES: None

Motion carries: 7 – 0

**COMMENTS
REGARDING
NON-AGENDA
ITEMS**

Some staff and community members spoke regarding contract negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Board of Education of the
Parchment School District


Cheryl Balmer, Secretary

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