

**MIO AUSABLE SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 13, 2022**

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PRESENT: Holzwarth, Hunter, Irelan, La Vigne, Long, Szymanski, Whaley  
ABSENT: None  
ADMINISTRATION: Ciske, Shiffer  
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: None  
RECORDING SECRETARY: Holloway

President Irelan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

**2021-2022-66**

La Vigne/Holzwarth to approve consent agenda items:

- a) Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 16, 2022 and Special Board Meetings of May 17, 2022 and May 31, 2022.
- b) Monthly finance

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

**Budget Presentation** – Mr. Ciske presented the final budget for 2021-2022. The final fund balance is \$71,866 (9.8%) with funds reserved for an upcoming bus purchase. Mr. Ciske provided the board with a summary of the T & A accounts and balances. The initial budget for the 2022-2023 school year is currently showing a percent balance of 11.3%. This may change as it is based on \$9000 per pupil and no increase in 31A money at this time. It is recommended by Mr. Ciske a technology plan is made for the 2022-2023 year to allocate funds needed throughout the district.

**Elementary Principals' Report** – Mrs. Shiffer reviewed elementary information. The elementary will offer summer school for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> grades. The kindergarten class had a ceremony on May 30. The fifth grade graduation was on May 9. Field Day was a huge success. The new procedures for flower planting day were successful. Professional development for the elementary teachers started this week. A sensory room is being developed. There are currently 204 students enrolled in K-5. Next school year the elementary has adopted a program, True Success, related to character development. NWEA assessments have been reviewed for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Middle School / High School Principals' Report** – Mr. Ciske reviewed middle school/high school information. Thirty-four students graduated on June 3, 2022. June 7 a middle school and high school cookout took place after a day of exams. Field trips took place to Industrial Arts Institute in Onaway for the MICareer Quest, the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade classes visited Wellington Farms USA in Grayling, and the trip club is currently in Chicago via train. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students interviewed a student from the kindergarten or fourth grade classroom, they then wrote a story and illustrated the stories with students they chose for Mrs. Ahearne's class. Spring NWEA scores were presented to the board. Mr. Ciske reviewed the changes in personnel for the middle school and high school.

**Superintendent's Report** – Superintendent Ciske provided an update. Several items will require board approval this evening. The approval of the hiring, and initial contract for Sarah Belanger, Payroll and Benefits

Specialist will require board action. The board will be required to approve the initial teaching contracts of Cindy McAllister, Tina Gross, and Richard Mayville. The administrative contracts renewals will need board approval as well. The bus bid for two new buses will be considered for approval. The sinking fund ballot language and resolution for November ballot was included in the board packets. The request is for 1.0 mills for 4 year. NEOLA policy update 36-2 is also part of the action items. The media center is being painted and new carpeting will be installed by the end of June. Mr. Ciske noted Mrs. Whaley volunteered to join the board safety committee.

**Citizens' Comments** – Mr. Soto addressed the board with his concerns in regards to no preschool available to children in the area and the need for more school safety. Mr. McFalda thanked Mr. Ciske for his service to the school over the last 30 years and welcomed Mr. Taylor to the district.

#### Action Items -

##### 2021-2022-67

Long/Szymanski

consider the approval of the second reading and adoption of NEOLA Policy Update 36-2.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved

##### 2021-2022-68

Whaley/Hunter

consider the approval of resolution for the sinking fund ballot proposal as presented.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

##### 2021-2022-69

Holzwarth/Szymanski

consider approval of initial contract for Sarah Belanger, Payroll and Benefits Specialist, the initial of the hiring, and contracts, for: Richard Mayville – High School Teacher, Cindy McAllister – High School Teacher, and Tina Gross – High School Teacher along with the renewal of administrative contacts for Celeste Shiffer, Daniel Ahearne, Becky Holloway, Matt Lewis, Mary Miller and Forrest Warren.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved

##### 2021-2022-70

Hunter/Whaley

consider the approval of the final budget for the 2021-2022 school year and the initial budgets for the 2022-2023 school year for the general fund, food service fund, and student activity fund.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

**2021-2022-71**

La Vigne/Holzwarth

consider the acceptance of the bid from Zaremba for the purchase of two school buses.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

**2021-2022-72**

Hunter/Holzwarth

consider the authorization of the addition of Marvin Taylor and Sarah Belanger to district financial accounts including Huntington, Milaf, and elan Credit Card.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

**Board Members' Comments** – Ms. Irelan thanked Paul Ciske for his service to the district and students and she thanked Jeannette McVeigh for all of her service to the district as well. Mrs. Whaley mentioned she would like to see more security at the school and would like to meet with Mr. Taylor. She also thanked Mr. Soto for his concerns and citizen comments.

**Correspondence** - None

There was no other business.

**2021-2022-73**

Whaley/Szymanski

to adjourn at 7:14 p.m.

YES: 7

NO: 0

Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky Holloway, Recording Secretary

  
Cheryl La Vigne, Board Secretary