

**MINUTES OF  
WHITTEMORE-PRESCOTT AREA SCHOOLS  
MEETING HELD ON March 11, 2019**

**LYNN MERVYN, SECRETARY**

**REGULAR MEETING**

President Prescott called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Horn, Mason, Mervyn, Phinney, Prescott, Reeve, Wilson

Absent: None

Motion by Mervyn, support by Wilson, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 11, 2019 and the special meeting of February 12, 2019 as presented. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Horn, support by Reeve, to make the following additions to the agenda; under VIII. Presentations add E. Building and Grounds – Mason and under XII. New Business Action Items add D. Approve 2018-2019 Calendar Updates and approve the agenda as amended. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Wilson, to approve the General Fund bills for \$45,720.86. Roll Call Vote: Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Aye, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye.  
Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

There was no Citizen's Recognition, agenda items only.

Mrs. Mervyn reported the finance committee met on February 21, 2019 to discuss the budget revision, the EPA grant, the MSU Extension position and the security camera quote.

Mrs. Prescott reported the athletic committee met on February 28, 2019 to discuss community facility use, game management pay, spectator expectations, and the possibility of free passes to sporting events for students with good behavior.

Mrs. Wilson said the transportation committee met this evening to discuss the EPA grant, bus purchases and repair cost savings with the new buses.

Mrs. Mason reported the building and grounds committee met on February 20, 2019 to discuss the timeline for the bond project, Mrs. Kopkau gave brief presentation on a grant for classroom design she has applied for and the committee recommends proceeding to get bids on security camera system.

Mischele Warner from MSU Extension presented information on a 3-year program grant to collaborate with Whittemore-Prescott Schools. Duties of the shared cost employee would be to help with after school activities, summer programs, and gain access to national curriculum through the 4-H programs. Ms. Warner stated the employee would be a MSU extension employee. The district would pay 50% of wages and fringe benefits, MSU Extension would pay the remaining 50% wages and fringe benefits.

During old business, Superintendent Perrera updated the board on the property easement request, the investment of bond funds and the MSU extension position.

There was no board correspondence.

During new business discussion items only, Superintendent Perrera recommended the board accept the renewal lawn service contract with Pro-Scape. Mr. Perrera said the contract would be for two years at the current rate. Mr. Perrera informed the board of the number of snow days to date and recommended to have a half-day of school on Good Friday and a full day of school the day after Easter.

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Kim Clemens presented the first revision of the 2018-2019 Budget to the board and entertained question from the board. Mrs. Clemens said there are more expenses than revenue coming in which will result in the fund balance decreasing.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to adopt the 2018-2019 Proposed Budget Revision as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Aye, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye.  
Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to approve hiring JH girls track coach, Staci Ostrander. Roll Call Vote: Prescott: Aye, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye.  
Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Horn, support by Wilson, to accept the lawn service contract renewal with Pro-Scape at the current rate for two years. Roll Call Vote: Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Mervyn, to approve the following update to the 2018-2019 school calendar add a half-day on April 19<sup>th</sup> and a full day on April 22<sup>nd</sup> as snow make up days. Roll Call Vote: Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Aye, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

Superintendent Perrera updated the board on student enrollment and the status of the possibility of additional snow day forgiveness.

Mrs. Wanks updated the board on the PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) program at the JSH and the Elementary stating students are rewarded for good behavior with special events and prizes.

Mrs. Miller said she is very proud to share Whittemore-Prescott High School received an A on the 2018 Michigan Public Schools Context and Performance Report Card from the Mackinaw Center. Mrs. Miller updated the board on several events happening at the JSH. Mrs. Miller shared how proud she is of alumni, Makenzie Stone who is attending MSU's Law School Grad Program ranking 6<sup>th</sup> out of 210 students.

Mr. Miller shared the March is Reading Month Activities, picture day, PTO Snow Glow Dance and other events at the Elementary. Mr. Miller presented Elementary tentative testing calendars to the board.

No Athletic Director Report

During board comments, Mrs. Mervyn said she would like to see all extra-curricular activities follow eligibility guidelines that athletes are required to follow. Mr. Reeve shared information on the traveling Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall and a 5K race in May in Lansing in memory of Pete McNamara.

Mrs. Fegan gave the IRESA update sharing the IRESA has purchased a new building to house the Alternative Education Program. Mrs. Fegan said the next CASBA meeting is April 25, 2019 at the IRESA at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to go into closed session at 8:21 p.m. for the purpose of contract negotiations. Roll Call Vote: Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Aye, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye.  
Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 7-0.

The board came back in session at 8:35 p.m.

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No Citizens Recognition.

President Prescott declared the agenda complete and adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lynn Mervyn, Secretary