

**MINUTES OF
WHITTEMORE-PRESCOTT AREA SCHOOLS
MEETING HELD ON August 12, 2019**

LYNN MERVYN, SECRETARY

REGULAR MEETING

Vice-President Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Horn, Mason, Mervyn, Phinney (via phone), Reeve, Wilson

Absent: Prescott

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 8, 2019 and the special meeting of July 15, 2019 as presented. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Horn, support by Mason, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$233,577.27.

Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

No Citizen's Recognition Agenda Items Only.

Mrs. Mason reported the Building and Grounds committee met on July 9, 2019 to discuss the progress on the bond projects.

Mr. Reeve reported the personnel committee met on August 7, 2019 to discuss staffing for the 2019-2020 school year, Mr. Huber attending negotiations and the Superintendent compensation.

The Coalition of Hope group gave a brief power point presentation and shared how the group came to be. The group shared their need to do more in the community to address the rising suicide rate that is not only in our area but also throughout the nation. The group invited the board to get involved with their efforts to bring more resources and awareness to prevent the rising suicide crisis.

No Old Business to report.

No Board Correspondence.

No New Business to discuss.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to accept the letter of resignation from administrative assistant, Michele Daniels.

Roll Call Vote: Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye.

Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to accept the letter of resignation from JSH teacher, Brenda Cousineau, effective

August 1, 2019. Roll Call Vote: Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye,

Mervyn: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to accept the letter of resignation from 7th grade girls' basketball coach, Tiffany

Wilcox. Roll Call Vote: Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott:

Absent. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to approve hiring JSH Teacher, Tiffany Clayton to teach Math. Roll Call Vote:

Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye.

Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

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Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to approve hiring social worker, Monica Peach. Roll Call Vote: Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Mervyn, to approve hiring assistant varsity football coach, Dave Schneider. Roll Call Vote: Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Mervyn, to approve hiring JV football coach, Bryan Crainer. Roll Call Vote: Vote: Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Horn, to approve hiring JV football coach, Dave Mervyn. Roll Call Vote: Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Reeve, support by Mervyn, to approve the 2019 tax rate request (L-4029). Roll Call Vote: Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye, Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Perrera updated the board on the status of the vacant administrative assistant position and the MSU extension position. Mr. Perrera said the next building and grounds meeting would be held on August 13, 2019. Mr. Perrera said the emergency disaster drill was very impressive. Mr. Perrera thanked Scott Nunn, reporter from the Ogemaw County Herald, for being fair and supportive of the district while he was a reporter at the Herald.

Mr. Miller said the PD schedule will be a combination of joint PD and individual building level PD. Mr. Miller said the annual Elementary open house is Thursday, August 22, 2019 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Miller shared the many topics to be covered at the PD days for staff, the open JSH advisor positions, the student registration and orientation schedule, and said the homecoming football game is October 11th with the dance to be held on Saturday October 12th.

Mrs. Mervyn updated the board on the start of the athletic year with parent and coaches meetings, fall sports schedules and the vacant 7th grade girls' basketball position.

Mr. Perrera shared the new buses will be in before school starts.

During board comments, Mr. Reeve shared his support for the Coalition on Hope organization. Mrs. Mervyn inquired on the consumable supplies for science. Mrs. Wilson shared a local business, Dees Pizza Pad has new owners and would like to get involved supporting the district and said she enjoyed the golf fundraiser event held at Cedar Valley.

Mrs. Fegan updated the board on staff changes at the IRESA and information on the adult education programs IRESA has to offer.

No citizen's recognition.

Motion by Horn, support by Reeve, to go into closed session for the purpose of pending litigation at 8:10 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Phinney: Aye, Prescott: Absent, Reeve: Aye, Wilson: Aye, Horn: Aye, Mason: Aye, Mervyn: Aye. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Motion passed 6-0.

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The board came back in session at 8:48 p.m.

Vice-President Wilson declared the agenda complete, meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Mervyn, Secretary