

# Watersmeet Township School District

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 15, 2021

5:30pm

President P. Peterson Jr. called the online meeting to order at 5:30pm and began with the pledge.

Present: P. Peterson Jr., T. Holland, J. Chiochios, M. Hazen, T. Pallin, T. Williams by Roll call.

Absent: N. Christ

Motion made by T. Holland to approve the agenda with the following amendments-table the Auditors report until March 22, 2021 and scratch S. Aho from agenda per S. Aho, second by T. Pallin. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Visitors: Charlene Kemppainen

LVD Representation: None

Student Council Representation: None

Discussion was held regarding responding to parent emails.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to approve the minutes from January 18, 2021. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Accounts Payable – P. Ollila presented virtually.

Financial Report – P. Ollila presented virtually.

Discussion regarding the Nimrod Store: When we get back to Stage 4 – can be open to the public.

Financial Committee formed with the following board members: N.Christ, T. Pallin, and M. Hazen.

Building and Grounds Infrastructure Committee formed with the following board members: P. Peterson, T. Holland, and T. Williams.

Motion made by T. Pallin, second by J. Chiochios to table the Auditor's Report until March 22, 2021 at 5:00pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion made by T. Pallin, second by J. Chiochios to move the March board meeting from March 15<sup>th</sup> to March 22, 2021 at 5:00pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by M. Hazen to accept the resignation letter from Mr. Wiartalla our Native American Instructor. Post for Native Instructor with the tribe sitting in on the interview process. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to accept the MHSAA waiver of the 50% passing rule (one time only). This helped out 1 student athlete. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Discussion held regarding combining grades 2 & 3 and 5 & 6. A special meeting was not able to be organized.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to post the receptionist position with the addition of "other duties as assigned by administration" until March 1, 2021. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Pallin, second by T. Holland to approve a credit card for the Administrative Assistant with a \$5,000 limit. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Williams to pay for Mr. Horn's Wi-Fi (as promised by the previous administration) on a one-time basis only. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to pay the \$60 fee for the 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade teachers that are interested in being substitute teachers since we have a shortage of subs and the certificate is needed for teachers to teach out of their core subjects. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by J. Chiochios, second by T. Pallin to post for an Art Teacher. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to go ahead with the \$4,000 server upgrade to install our security system of cameras and door badges. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.


Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to hire JoAnn Krusick as the Reading Interventionist for K-6. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by M. Hazen to post for a Math Interventionist/Tutor for grades 7-12. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Pallin, second by J. Chiochios to post for a full-time or part-time paraprofessional. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

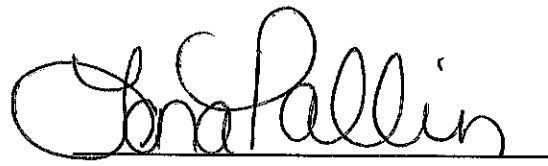
Superintendent/Principal's report was gone over.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to adjourn at 8:38pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, T. Pallin-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen-Aye, T. Williams-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.



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President, P. Peterson Jr.



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Secretary, T. Pallin