

ANCHOR BAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
5201 County Line Rd., Suite 100
Casco, Michigan 48064
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Anchor Bay Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 by President Patrick Green

Members present: Birkmeier, Green, Richards, Knox, DeRoo, Vendittelli

Members absent Moses

Administrators Present: Phil Jankowski, Todd Rathbun, Joe McDonald

Student Congress Update

No update

Superintendent Update

Phil Jankowski, Superintendent gave a quick update where we are at with the state of the bond program, universal 4-year-old preschool and the early election at the Sugarbush location.

Open Forum

At this point the public is invited to comment on the Board of Education agenda. Those who wish to participate in the Open Forum need to fill out a brief request stating their name, address, and the subjective of their comments. Comments about specific employees should be directed to them personally and should not be included in the public forum.

None

Communications

None

Consent Agenda

Motion by Ms. Knox to approve the 1-31-24 Regular and 1-20-24 Workshop minutes Personnel Report, Financial Report and Bills Payable for January 2024.

Supported by Ms. Birkmeier.

Vote: Ayes: Knox, Birkmeier, Richards, Vendittelli, DeRoo, Green

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Field Trips

Motion by Ms. Knox to approve the Drama field trip to Mackinaw Island on May 14th-16th, 2024.

Support by Mr. Vendittelli

Vote: Ayes: Knox, Vendittelli, Green, Birkmeier, Richards, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Birkmeier to approve both high school and middle school students to attend the State Bridge Building Competition March 11th and 12th in Grand Rapids.

Support by Ms. Knox

Vote: Ayes: Birkmeier, Knox, Vendittelli, Green, Richards, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried.

Policy Second Reading

Motion by Mr. Richards to approve Anchor Bay School District dress code policy updates as presented.

Support by Ms. Birkmeier

Vote: Ayes: Richards, Birkmeier, Knox, Vendittelli, Green, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried

Lease for District Property

Motion by Mr. DeRoo to approve the negotiations and entering of a lease for approximately 40 acres just north of the HS to Nativeflow Energy LLC for the installation and operation of a solar project.

Support by Vendittelli

Vote: Ayes: DeRoo

Nays: Vendittelli, Green, Richards, Birkmeier, Knox

Motion failed.

Board discussion before new motion brought to table.

Motion by Ms. Knox to approve the negotiation and entering of a lease to approximately 40 acres just north of the HS to Nativeflow Energy LLC for the installation and operation of a solar project. There would be an initial due diligence term of 120 days for the lessee to assess the suitability of the site. If site is deemed suitable, the lessee, under the current terms of the draft agreement, would pay Anchor Bay School District \$220 per acre per year with a 2% escalation of the lease payment each year. The draft lease also calls for an initial lease term of 25 years with options to extend the lease into the future, lease will be subject to approval of outside legal counsel. A lease of the property, as described above for the initial term of 25 years, would result in the District receiving rental revenue of over \$2,800,000.

Support by Mr. DeRoo

Vote: Ayes: Knox, DeRoo, Green, Richards

Nays: Vendittelli, Birkmeier

Motion is carried.

Award Recommendation

Motion by Ms. Knox to award to Stafford Smith, Inc. for the Great Oaks Walk-in Cooler and Dishwasher bid in the amount of \$75,212.00.

Support by Ms. Birkmeier

Vote: Ayes: Knox, Birkmeier, Green, Richards, Vendittelli, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried.

MASB Board Directors 2024 Election

Motion by Ms. Knox to elect Birgit McQuiston the incumbent for Region 8 (three-year term).

Support by Mr. Richards

Vote: Ayes: Knox, Richards, Birkmeier, Green, Vendittelli, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried.

New Course Approval

Motion by Ms. Birkmeier to approve modify the new courses to approve all with the exception of Weight Training and Fitness for girls, Physical Education for girls 9th, Team Sports for girls and Conditioning for Athletes.

Support by Ms. Knox

Vote: Ayes: Birkmeier, Knox, Green, Vendittelli, Richards, DeRoo

Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Knox to Table three girl's physical education courses in new courses for 2024.

Support by Mr. Richards

Vote: Ayes: Knox, Richards, Green, DeRoo, Birkmeier

Nays: Vendittelli

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. DeRoo to approve new course Conditioning for Athletes for 2024.

Support by Ms. Knox

Vote: Ayes: DeRoo, Knox, Green, Birkmeier, Vendittelli, Richards

Motion carried.

Closed Session

Motion by Ms. Knox to convene in closed session under the OMA to consider letter from its attorneys for the reason that the letter is exempt from disclosure under State law due to attorney-client privilege.

Support by Mr. DeRoo

Vote: Ayes: Knox, DeRoo, Richards, Vendittelli

Nays: Green, Birkmeier

Short break- Vote for closed session should be 2/3 vote of the board elected. The board did not go into closed session.

Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Knox to adjourn the February 21, 2024, Meeting of the Anchor Bay Board of Education.

Support by Mr. Vendittelli

Vote: Ayes: Vendittelli, Knox, Green, Birkmeier, Richards, DeRoo

Nays: none

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Richards
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Secretary, Board of Education