

MINUTES
HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 17, 2024

Members Present: Burns, Baltensperger, Foltz, Massaway, Salmi

Members Absent: Christopherson, Leonard

Also Present: Administrators Hill, Filpus, Scullion, Fay, Marcotte;
Garrett Neese, Jason Evans

The public hearing regarding the budget began at 5:15 p.m.. Mrs. Marcotte reviewed the 2023-2024 revised budget and the 2024-2025 proposed budget. There being no further business, Mrs. Massaway closed the public hearing at 5:25 p.m.

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Call to Order

Mrs. Massaway called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Public Comment

The Board received public comment.

3. Presentation

The HS Girls' Soccer Team thanked the Board for their support.

4. Consent Agenda

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the minutes of the May 20, 2024 regular Board meeting, the May 24, 2024 Special Board meeting, the June 5, 2024 Operations Committee Meeting, the June 13, 2024 Finance/Negotiations Committee meeting, and the June financial statements and bills in the amount of \$582,248.31. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Administrative Reports

Mrs. Scullion and Ms. Filpus reported on events occurring in their buildings. Mr. Fay gave a report on the athletics department. Mr. Hill gave a report on events occurring in the district.

6. CCASB, MASA & MASB Reports

There were no MASB, MASA or CCASB reports.

7. Discussion/Action Items

1) Resolution Certifying Millage to be Spread

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board approve a resolution to levy and collect taxes during the 2024-2025 school year, equivalent to 17.2832 operating mills and 9.64 mills for debt retirement. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Resolution to Amend the 2023-2024 Budget

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve a resolution to amend the 2023-2024 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Resolution to Approve the 2024-2025 Budget

Mr. Salmi with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board approve the 2024-2025 operating budget. Motion carried unanimously.

4) Michigan High School Athletic Association ("MHSAA") Membership Resolution

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Salmi moved that the Board approve the Michigan High School Athletic Association ("MHSAA") Membership Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Resolution to Approve "Open Enrollment" School of Choice for 2024-2025 School Year

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Baltensperger moved that the Board approve "Open Enrollment" School of Choice for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

6) Resolution to Approve HHS Pool Painting Bid from Finnish Coat Painting

Mr. Salmi with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the HHS pool painting bid from Finnish Coat Painting. Motion carried unanimously.

7) Resolution to Hire New Personnel

Mr. Baltensperger with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board approve the hiring of:

Jennifer Saaranen - Middle School Teacher

Nicholas Squires - Middle School Teacher

Alana Nolan - JV Volleyball Coach

Gael Filpus - Freshman Volleyball Coach

Motion carried unanimously.

8) Resolution to Approve Application for Preliminary Qualifications of Bonds as Presented in Attached Certificate

Mr. Foltz with support from Mr. Burns moved that the Board approve the application for preliminary qualifications of bonds as presented in attached certificate. Motion carried unanimously.

9) Round Table/Discussion

8. Executive Session

Mr. Burns with support from Mr. Foltz moved that the Board adjourn to executive session to discuss negotiations. Through a roll call vote, the motion passed with voting as follows: Ayes: Massaway, Burns, Baltensperger, Foltz, Salmi; Nays: none. The Board adjourned to executive session at 5:59 p.m. The Board returned to regular session at 6:25 p.m.

9. Discussion/Action Items - Continued

10) Resolution to Approve AFSCME Union Contract Agreement

Mr. Salmi with support from Mr. Baltensperger moved that the Board approve the ratification of the entire Master Agreement, reached between the HPTS and the HPTS AFSCME union to be effective upon the date of the execution of the written contract by signatures of officials of both parties. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Baltensperger moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Massaway adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Marcotte, Acting Secretary

Brent Burns, Board Secretary