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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 15, 2023

Call to Order Mr. Dyes called the regular meeting of the Heritage Southwest Intermediate Board of Education to order at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room #1 of the Administrative Services Center on Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

Roll Call Members present: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Dyes, Mr. Ross
Members absent: Mr. Garber, Ms. Dodd
Administrators present: Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Jasper, Ms. Butchbaker, Ms. Wimberley, Mr. Townsley, Mr. Tarantino, Ms. Davis

Declaration of a Quorum Mr. Dyes declared a quorum of the Board.

Pledge to the Flag Pledge to the Flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Communications to the Board None

Communications from the Audience None

Presentations Captain of the Month
Brookside: Damirius Williamson - Encouraging – Ann Pinard, teacher. He received an award.
Instructional Services Update
Staff member, Josh Townsley, gave the Board a handout on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) and recapped the Cassopolis Public Schools involvement.
Special Education Update
Staff member, Tina Wimberley, gave the board a handout and recapped department updates.
Monitoring
Staff member, Robert Tarantino, gave the board a handout and recapped MDE’s requirements for our ISD to “Develop and Implement a System of Supervision that will ensure” Cass County schools adhere to Federal & State guidelines.

Approval of Minutes Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, to approve the minutes of February 15, 2023, as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education hereby approves payment of bills which includes General Fund totaling \$110,223.87 and Special Ed Fund totaling \$183,171.76.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

2022-2023 Budget Amendment Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education adopt the 2022-2023 Budget Amendment as presented and that the special details of these Budget Amendments be kept on file in the superintendent’s office.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ross, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Hirings Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Blake Juroff-Eichel and Mellody Buzalski as recommended by the administration.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross, Mr. Dyes
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

- JUUL (Vaping) Litigation Settlement Agreement* Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education approve the Settlement Agreement regarding the JUUL (Vaping) litigation as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe, Mr. Ross
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.
- Closed Sessions* Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education adjourn to Closed Session at 11:11 a.m. under Sec. 8.1 (c) of the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of strategy and negotiation sessions connected with a collective bargaining agreement.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Ross, Mr. Dyes, Ms. Cripe
Nays: None
All in favor. Motion carried.
- Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education adjourn to Open Session at 12:18 p.m.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Moved by Ms. Cripe, supported by Mr. Ross, that the Board of Education adjourn to Closed Session at 12:19 p.m. under Sec. 8.1 (a) of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss Superintendent Evaluation.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education adjourn to Open Session at 12:30 p.m.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Superintendent Evaluation* Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Ms. Cripe, that the Board of Education adopt the Superintendent Evaluation as presented identifying the performance of Mr. Hubbard as Highly Effective.
Motion carried 3-0.
- Adjournment* Moved by Mr. Ross, supported by Mr. Dyes, to adjourn at 12:35 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Cripe
Secretary

These minutes are subject to board approval.