



Fruitport Community Schools
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, October 17, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

Fruitport Community Schools Central Office
Board of Education Meeting Room
3255 E. Pontaluna Rd.
Fruitport, MI 49415

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Vice President, Kris Cole.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.
- III. **ROLL CALL:** Present – Elroy Buckner, Kris Cole, Susan Franklin, Steve Kelly, and JB Meeuwenberg. Absent - Tim Burgess and Dave Hazekamp.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Item 22-140. MOTION by Franklin, SECOND by Buckner to approve the agenda, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.
- V. **PRESENTATIONS:** Annual Audit Presentation

Rehmann Robson, LLC representative, Paul Matz, presented the 2021-2022 audit report. He stated the audit was performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Fruitport Community Schools received the highest audit opinion a firm can provide, which included no findings, no concerns, and no internal controls issues. Paul commended Mark Mesbergen and his staff for a job well done!
- VI. **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board reviewed a communication provided to the District and Board President Hazekamp from the Michigan Association of Community and Adult Education

(MACAE) commending Fruitport Adult Education Director Brenda Baker for her leadership within the Association, and for her advocacy for adult education across the State. Brenda was highlighted in a special video and was interviewed by the Association.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mark Mesbergen provided a presentation to the Board of Education that outlined the requirements of Section 98c and the District's Learning Loss Plan. The presentation provided an assurance to the Board of Education regarding how funding that is to be received under this section will address learning loss. A link to the plan to address learning loss was posted to the District's website, and an overview of the metrics to be used to determine the impact of the funded initiatives was discussed. The presentation also highlighted the District's Learning Loss Plan and Learning Loss Budget, as well as the eligible uses of funds under this section, the metrics used to evaluate the plan, and the strategies to be implemented under the Learning Loss Plan.

The presentation also focused on additional grant opportunities including: Section 31aa (Mental Health Supports), Section 97 (School Safety Grants), Section 97b (School Resource Officers), Section 97c (Building Risk Assessments), and Section 97d (Critical Incident Mapping).

VIII. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

Item 22-141. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to approve the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. Approval of Bill Listing in the amount of \$683,958.17
2. Acceptance of Monthly Financial, Bond, and Capital Projects Report
3. Acceptance of Student Activity Summary Report
4. Acceptance of Credit Card and Utilities Report
5. Approval of Transfers and ACH Transactions Report
6. Approval of Personnel Report (includes confirmation of new hires, resignations, retirees, and transfers)
7. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2022

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

X. GENERAL BOARD BUSINESS:

- a. Fall 2022 Pupil Membership Count Update**

The Board was provided with an update pertaining to the District's fall 2022 pupil membership count. The District is projecting an increase in pupil membership of forty-eight (48) students from the fall of 2021 to the fall of 2022. The District must complete the verification and auditing process; however, this is positive news for the District.

XI. BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Report of committee meeting held on October 11, 2022

Elroy Buckner reported on a Business and Finance Committee meeting held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Paul Matz (Rehmann Robson, LLC), Elroy Buckner, Kris Cole, Jason Kennedy, Jessica Wiseman, and Mark Mesbergen were present. The committee reviewed the annual audit report presented by Paul Matz from Rehmann Robson, LLC, discussed and reviewed a pupil membership count update, reviewed Section 97d and a critical incident mapping grant proposal, discussed and reviewed the District's Learning Loss Plan under Section 98c, discussed and reviewed PA 144 of 2022 and the competitive school resource officer grant that is available to schools, discussed a donation that was received by the District to replace the baseball and softball field scoreboards, and discussed bids received to replace the pole vault and high jump mats / pits at the track and field.

2. Annual Audit Report

Item 22-142. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to accept the 2021-2022 annual audit and financial report, as presented by Paul Matz from Rehmann.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

3. Critical Incident Mapping - Collaborative Response Graphics

Item 22-143. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to approve critical incident mapping to be completed by the Critical Response Group, Inc. in the amount of \$17,367 to be covered by the use of Section 97d grant dollars, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

4. Baseball and Softball Field Scoreboards - Donation Received

Item 22-144. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to approve the purchase of baseball and softball field scoreboards from Daktronics in the amount of \$32,050, as discussed and presented.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

5. Track and Field High Jump and Pole Vault Mat / Pit Purchase

Item 22-145. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to approve the purchase of high jump and pole vault mats / pits from Richey Athletics in the amount of \$34,075 to be paid from bond proceeds, as discussed.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

6. Agenda Modification - Addition of Action Item

Item 22-146. MOTION by Franklin, SECOND by Buckner to approve the amendment of the agenda to add the purchase of a maintenance and operations truck through the State of Michigan's MiDEAL Vehicle Purchasing Program, not to exceed \$36,000, as discussed.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

7. MiDEAL Vehicle Purchasing Program - Truck Purchase

Item 22-147. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to approve the purchase of a maintenance and operations truck through the State of Michigan's MiDEAL Vehicle Purchasing Program, not to exceed \$36,000, as discussed.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

XII. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

There was no report from the Committee, nor business to report on, as the October 2022 meeting of the Personnel Committee was canceled.

XIII. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Overnight Trip Request: High School Cross Country State Championship Meet - Michigan International Speedway (Brooklyn, MI)

Item 22-148. MOTION by Franklin, SECOND by Kelly to approve the cross country teams' request for an overnight trip to participate in the MHSAA state

championship cross country meet on November 4-5, 2022 at the Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, MI, as discussed.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent.

XIV. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Kris Cole shared information with the Board about the middle school robotics competition that the District would be hosting on November 19, 2022 at the high school. Kris shared that there will be thirty-six (36) teams participating in this year's event, and that Fruitport would have two (2) teams in the competition. Kris also shared that our marching band finished in first place in their flight at the Belding Marching Band Invitational.

Steve Kelly shared that our football team has been doing well, and that he looks forward to seeing the team continue to be successful.

XV. AGENDA ITEMS for FUTURE MEETINGS & SCHEDULING OF ANY SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. The date and time of the Business and Finance Committee for November will be determined at a later date based upon the availability of Committee members.
2. The Personnel Committee will meet on November 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
3. The Student Affairs Committee will meet on November 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
4. The Board of Education will meet on November 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.


XVI. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Item 22-149. MOTION by Buckner, SECOND by Franklin to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0; 2 absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Kelly, Board Secretary

Danielle VanderMeulen, Recording Secretary