

**MORLEY STANWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 16, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.**

President Bongard called a workshop meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:33 pm followed by the regular meeting. The meetings were held in the Morley Stanwood High School Media Center, 4700 Northland Dr., Morley, Michigan, 49336.

In Attendance

Declaration of Quorum Yes_X_ No__

Bd. Member Emily Bongard	X	Bd. Member Greg Babbitt	X	Bd. Member Dennis Smith	X
Bd. Member Mary Engelsman	X	Bd. Member Randy LaPreze	X	Supt. R. Cole	X
Bd. Member Brent Beemer	X	Bd. Member Michelle Frisbie	X	Rec. Sec. J.Weeks	X

Workshop Discussions:

Bond Invoices – Two invoices were submitted, one from Christman and one from Mathison|Mathison.

School Resource Deputy – Mr. Cole met with Sherriff Miller and Undersheriff Nemeth to discuss the possibility of sharing a liaison officer with Big Rapids schools. Mrs. Marshall shared what type of things the liaison officer did at the previous school she worked at.

Pond Update – A survey have been completed. There is a meeting coming up at the end of this week to discuss the results.

Road Abandonment of 175th Ave – Discussed a letter received from Austin Township concerning an application to the Mecosta County Road Commission to have 175th Avenue between 9 mile road and 8 mile road abandoned. The school owns property that would be effected by the road closure.

Outdoor Sound System – Daktronics came to campus to demonstrate a new sound system.

Presentation: Student Leadership Conference

Ms. Kelsey Ray and Ms. Kaitlyn Ray, co advisors to Student Council presented and asked for the board’s consideration in approving Student Council members to attend an overnight conference taking place in February 2025 in Grand Rapids. They would like to take 13 students and 2 chaperones. If approved they plan to do fundraisers to offset the cost of the trip.

Recess: 7:10

Return to session, regular meeting: 7:25

Approval of Agenda and Order of Priority: The Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Public Comment: NA

Communications: NA

Administrator and Supervisor Reports: Supervisor/Administrator reports are submitted in advance to the Board. Reports can be viewed on the district's website.

Consent Agenda: The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, November 18th regular meeting minutes, bills, and financial reports presented.

December Considerations:

The Board unanimously approved to pay the 2020 Bond Series III invoices totaling \$30,607.72.

The Board unanimously approved the resignation of David Slavens – JV Boys Baseball Coach.

The Board unanimously approved the resignation of Amber Zwiers – EL Title I Paraprofessional.

The Board unanimously approved the hire of Brook Mathewson – 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.

The Board unanimously adopted the resolution, 80%/20% Employer Health Care Cost Option as set forth in 2011 Public Act 152, The Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act.

The Board unanimously approved the meeting schedule for the 2025 board meetings.

The Board unanimously approved Student Council to attend the Michigan Association of Student Council Student Leadership overnight conference taking place in Grand Rapids in February 2025.

Closed Session – Student Reinstatement Hearings

The board unanimously motioned to go into closed session at 7:33 and returned to open session at 7:40.

The board unanimously motioned to reinstate student #8-2324 to the second semester of the 24-25 school year.

The board unanimously motioned to go into closed session at 7:43 and returned to open session at 7:48.

The board unanimously motioned to reinstate student #5-2324 to the second semester of the 24-25 school year.

The board unanimously motioned to reinstate student #6-2324 to the second semester of the 24-25 school year.

The Board denied the motion to reinstate Student #4-2324 to the second semester of the 24-25 school year with a vote of 5 no to 2 yes.

The board unanimously approved not to reinstate Student #3-2324.

The board unanimously approved not to reinstate Student #2-2425.

Discussion items:

Reminders and informational items:

- ***Next Board Meeting, January 27, 2025***

Adjourn at 8:41 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis Smith, Secretary
Morley Stanwood Community Schools