

December, 18, 2023

A regular board meeting of the Mid Peninsula School District Board of Education was called to order by President Bob VanDamme at 4:00 P.M.

Present:	Bob VanDamme, President	Absent:
	Delores Englund, Vice President	
	Cheryl Patrick, Secretary	
	Gary Kivioja, Trustee	
	John Albertson Trustee	
	Dale Schneider, Treasurer	
	Mandi Lippens, Trustee	
	Eric VanDamme, Superintendent	

Public Comments- None

A motion was made by Cheryl Patrick seconded by Delores Englund to approve the agenda for the December 18, 2023 meeting. Motion carried 7-0

A motion was made by Dale Schneider, seconded by Gary Kivioja to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2023 regular board meeting. Motion carried. 7-0

A motion was made by John Albertson, seconded by Dale Schneider to pay the bills for November 2023, motion carried 7-0. There was a brief discussion regarding questions pertaining to Thurn Law firm bill, Robotics, and Dual Enrollment.

Old Business- None

New Business

Mr. Doug Leisenring Superintendent of the DSISD made a brief presentation regarding ISD services, our student participation, and the Welding lab expansion.

The Board discussed the proposed schedule for the 2024 Board Meetings. A motion was made by Dale Schneider, seconded by Gary Kivioja to approve the 2024 Board meeting schedule as presented, motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Eric VanDamme presented a budget amendment to the Board of Education. There was some brief discussion and then a motion by Gary Kivioja, seconded by Delores Englund to approve the budget amendment, motion carried 7-0.

The Board approved the final reading of the NEOLA policies. A motion to approve the policies was made by Cheryl Patrick, seconded by John Albertson, motion carried 7-0.

Correspondence-None

Board Member Comment

Robert VanDamme discussed a recent article about how challenging electric buses in the upper Peninsula of Michigan are to operate, equip, and maintain.

Delores Englund commented that she has heard positive feedback regarding the CKLA program and how user friendly and effective it has been for the students and staff alike.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m. Motion was made by Gary Kivioja, seconded by John Alberston, motion carried 7-0.

Cheryl Patrick