



ZEELAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
February 22, 2016  
Zeeland West High School Cafeteria  
3390 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Board of Education: Todd Brennan, Linda Bush, Rick Dernberger, Tom DenHerder, Ron Scott, Carol Slagh, Mark Snyder  
Administrators: Cal De Kuiper, Lynn VanKampen, Jon Voss  
ABSENT: Board of Education:  
GUESTS: Nicole Bier, Aaron Good

**I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00PM**

Ron Scott

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Cal De Kuiper

B. RECOGNITION:

The Board recognized the following 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who performed at DeVos Hall as part of the MSBOA All State Middle School Ensemble: Creekside students Rachel Smith – flute, and Cameron Wallar – bass clarinet; Cityside students Bethany Colbrunn – percussion, and Jack Joung – trumpet.

C. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS:

**II. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

A. State of Michigan education budget

B. Enrollment update

C. Spanish Immersion

**III. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes of the January 18, 2016 organization and regular board meetings were approved.

B. Kelsey Sherrod was approved to continue in her current sub position for the remainder of the school year as the teacher will be taking leave of absence. This is a one-year employment contract.

C. Field Trip Request Approved – Dance Ensemble Performance Trip January 2017

D. Approved bills and ACH transfers paid as of January 2016. Checks #112476-112910

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: \$961,850.10

PAYROLL: 4,529,304.54

**TOTAL: 5,491,154.64**

Rick Dernberger moved and Mark Snyder supported the motion to accept the Consent Calendar as presented.

VOTE: All Yes

**V. DISCUSSION**

A. zLINKS Update - Nate VandeGutche gave an update on this program which is a peer to peer support program where students serve as a mentor, role model, and friend to a Zeeland High School student who qualifies for special education services due to a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or another type of disability. It has been very positive and several parents addressed the board to thank them and share the success stories of their children's experiences.

B. Operational Millage Update - As part of our continuing efforts to provide factual and consistent messaging to our community, this discussion item will permit the board to review this millage renewal request. With the federal court injunction on Senate Bill 571, ZPS is once again able to provide factual and pertinent information on this millage renewal through election day and beyond.

C. K-5 Literacy: Focus, Impact & Results – Brandi Mendham updated the board on Elementary Literacy which is another of our three key focus areas.

**VI. ACTION:**

**A. POLICY UPDATE**

Tom DenHerder moved and Todd Brennan supported the motion to approve the board policies discussed at the January board meeting.

VOTE: All Yes

**B. BID APPROVALS**

Tom DenHerder moved and Carol Slagh supported the motion to approve the contractors for 2016-2017 bid package #1 construction projects (see attached list).

ROLL CALL: YEA: Todd Brennan, Linda Bush, Rick Dernberger, Tom DenHerder, Ron Scott, Carol Slagh, Mark Snyder

NAY:

Tom DenHerder moved and Todd Brennan supported the motion to approve the contractors for 2016-2017 bid package #2 construction projects (see attached list).

ROLL CALL: YEA: Todd Brennan, Linda Bush, Rick Dernberger, Tom DenHerder, Ron Scott, Carol Slagh, Mark Snyder

NAY:

**C. CHANGE ORDER AUTHORIZATION LEVELS**

Tom DenHerder moved and Mark Snyder supported the motion to approve the attached resolution authorizing levels as follows:

- Up to \$5,000 – Kelly Rademacher
- \$5,000-\$20,000 – Lynn Van Kampen
- \$20,001-\$50,000 – Cal De Kuiper and Lynn Van Kampen
- \$50,001 and above – Board of Education

ROLL CALL: YEA: Todd Brennan, Linda Bush, Rick Dernberger, Tom DenHerder, Ron Scott, Carol Slagh, Mark Snyder

NAY:

**VII. SUPERINTENDENT & REPORTS**

A. OASBA meeting reminder - March 22, 2016 at Hudsonville Schools Freshman Campus

The regular meeting of February 22, 2016 adjourned at 8:39 P.M.