

BUCHANAN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

BUCHANAN HIGH SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER

VICE-PRESIDENT: Mrs. Ruth Writer opened the meeting at 6:02pm

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

ABSENT: H. Burnett

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Patricia Robinson

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Berry** the agenda for the board meeting of September 20, 2021 be adopted as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

J. Stubblefield, C. Johnson, R. Hoyt, M. Dunn, J. Legault

**SUPERINTENDENT/
DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Buck Staff Recognition September Winner: Sarah Blair, Administrative Assistant to Transportation, Operations & Food Service. Board Secretary Mrs. Laesch recognized Mrs. Blair as this month's winner. Ottawa Elementary Principal, Mrs. Denison, acknowledged Mrs. Blair for all the amazing work and effort she has displayed since taking on her new position. Mrs. Denison also complimented her for her extreme patience and customer service skills. Mrs. Blair was also nominated by Mrs. Munyon, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. Mrs. Munyon thanked Mrs. Blair for stepping up to help support the transportation department.

Nominees included:

- Anthony DeOrnellas, BHS Teacher
- Chad VanBeek, BCS Maintenance
- Judy Heckathorn, BCS Food Service

Updates for BHS, BMS, Moccasin, Ottawa, Athletics/BVA/CTE, Business Office, Operations, Food Service, and Information Technology were provided respectively.

**COMMUNITY DIALOGUE
CITIZENS CONCERNS**

Donald Ryman – spoke against the Berrien County Health Department mask mandate.

Carla Jackson Johnson – spoke against the Berrien County Health Department mask mandate.


**ADOPTION OF CONSENT
AGENDA**

MOTION by **C. Lee**, SECONDED BY Member **C. Carlson**, the Board of Education approves the consent agenda for the regular board meeting of September 20th, 2021 be adopted as written:



1. Minutes:

 8-16-2021 Regular Meeting

2. Warrants:

 Treasury & Expenditure Reports – August 2021

3. Tenure for 2021-22 School Year:





-  Amy Beck
-  Eric Johansen

4. Recommendations to Hire as submitted by:

Food Service Supervisor, Mrs. Rebecca Kaltenbach
Ottawa Principal, Mrs. Stacey Denison
Moccasin Principal, Dr. Michael Dunn
Director of Operations, Mr. Alan Berget

Recommended Employee	Title
Katy Kaltenbach	Paraprofessional
Tara Mabry	Kindergarten Teacher
David Kenyon	Van Driver
Amanda Horton	Kitchen Manager
Danny Risener	Operations Utility Staff (contract attached)
Matt Schlutt	Elementary Art Teacher
Melissa Prestine	Elementary Music Teacher
Nicole Delgado	Paraprofessional

5. Staff resignation as submitted:

-  Ryan Mohny, BMS Art Teacher
-  Brittany Mohny, Moccasin Speech & Language Pathologist
-  Syreeta Hassel, BCS Transportation Supervisor
-  Paula Grove, Ottawa Paraprofessional

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

CTE MMC CREDIT APPROVAL

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED BY Member **C. Lee**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the recommendation as submitted by CTE/BVA Director Mark Frey, to accept the recommended Michigan Merit Curriculum Credits for the listed CTE Programs 2021-22:

Advanced Auto

Culinary

Digital Design / Multimedia

Cosmetology

Business Management Administration

Sports Medicine

CISCO

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

STUDENT HANDBOOK UPDATE

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Laesch**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the Ottawa, Moccasin, Middle School and High School handbook updates for the 2021-22 school year as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

**BOARD POLICIES – FIRST
READING**

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Berry**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the first reading of the following NEOLA revised policy:

POLICY	Description
9700.01	Advertising and Commercial Activities

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Lee, K. Berry, C. Carlson, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, and R. Writer

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

**QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Mrs. Laesch welcome everyone back to school.

Mrs. Writer welcomed Brian Brown.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6pm

ADJOURNMENT

6:23 pm

Mrs. Kelly Laesch, Secretary, Board of Education
(Minutes adopted at the 10/18/21 meeting)