

**CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
Administration Building
November 11, 2024**

President Pearl called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present: Members Aquino, Gura, King, Pearl, Sobah, Wade and Wojtowicz
Absent: None
Also, Present: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sederlund, Dr. Brosky, Dr. Blanchard, Mr. Sibley,
Ms. Blain, Ms. Licari, Dr. Langlands, Mr. Kava, Ms. Monnier-White
and Ms. Adlam

Roll Call taken.

MOTION #11/01/24 – Moved by Member Wade and supported by Member Gura to approve the agenda. **Yes all, motion carried.**

Presentations/Recognitions

- Superintendent Roberts recognized American Veterans for their service in our armed forces. He discussed some of the activities taking place in the district and recognized Chippewa Valley Schools employees who are veterans.

To honor and remember our veterans, Dakota High School student, Noah Weller, played taps.

- Ms. Stephanie Lange and Ms. Tivonni Mahaffey (Student, CVHS) presented a Sex Education Advisory Report as required by law, for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years.

MOTION #11/02/24 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Sobah to approve the General Consent Agenda to:

- Approve Regular Meeting Minutes held on November 11, 2024.
- Approve General Fund, Food Service, IAM, Childcare, Camps/Clinics Check Register in the amount of \$3,798,835.98.
- Approve 2018 Building and Site Check Register in the amount of \$624,256.79.
- Approve Building Activity Check Register in the amount of \$187,588.78.
- Approve Personnel Transactions.

Motion passes 6-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.

Old Business – None

MOTION #11/03/24 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Wade that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Kristin DeLuca, to the position of Principal, Algonquin Middle School. Ms. DeLuca’s effective start date will be November 18, 2024. **Member Aquino abstained from voting. Motion passes 5-1 with Member Wojtowicz voting against.**

MOTION #11/04/24 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Aquino that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the 2018 Bond Issue Change Order Summary Report for the month of October 2024. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #11/05/24 – Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member Gura that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the resolution to enter into a 15-year power purchase agreement for 25% of the district’s annual electricity usage with Michigan Electric Choice Cooperative (MISEC) and that the reading of the resolution be waived. **Yes all, motion carried.**

MOTION #11/06/24 – Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Sobah that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education approve the purchase of one modular classroom from Mobile Modular in the amount not to exceed \$185,600. **Yes all, motion carried.**

Union Communications – None

Curriculum Updates - None

Administrative Reports – None

From the Community

- Public Comments/audience participation

Of and By Board Members

Member Gura addressed the following:

- Thank you to veterans past and present for their service.
- Congratulations to Mr. Shannon King and Mr. Bruce Wade for their newly elected positions of Clinton Township Trustees.
- Congratulations to Ms. Radyko and Mr. Kuntz for winning the election and welcome them to the Board of Education.
- Enjoyed the CVHS production of Cinderella. He commended staff and students involved.

Member Wojtowicz addressed the following:

- Congratulations to Dakota Varsity Football team for winning the MAC Red championship.
- Congratulations to Mr. Shannon King and Mr. Bruce Wade for getting elected to Clinton Township Trustee positions and to Mr. Kuntz and Ms. Radyko for getting elected to the board of education.

Member Sobah addressed the following:

- Congratulations to the new board members and thank you to our veterans for serving our country.

Member Aquino addressed the following:

- Congratulated Mr. Shannon King and Mr. Bruce Wade on winning the election and moving on to Clinton Township Trustee positions.
- Congratulated Ms. Radyko and Mr. Kuntz for being elected to board of education seats.
- Congratulations to Dakota Varsity Football for continuing to move on in the football playoffs.

Member Wade addressed the following:

- Acknowledged veterans and what they did for our country.
- Will be submitting a letter to the district, effective next week, to resign from his Board of Education position. Indicated this a great school district because there are truly great people here. Thanked Mr. Pearl for doing a great job as Board President and thanked Superintendent Roberts for all he does for the district.

Member King addressed the following:

- Indicated he will be stepping down from his position on the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education. He will miss Chippewa because he feels this district has a deep commitment to strong schools. The strength of this district is the result of the time and commitment of so many people. People should focus on this and uplift the district. He looks forward to continuing to work with the district in his new role.

Member Pearl addressed the following:

- Congratulations to the newly elected board of education members, Mr. Donald Kuntz and Ms. Monica Radyko, and is looking forward to working together to make this a better district.
- Wishes good luck to Mr. Shannon King and Mr. Bruce Wade and knows they will both do a great job as Clinton Township Trustees.

MOTION #11/06/24 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member King that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session (*8.b. – Student Expulsion Hearing - 1*).

A roll call vote was taken. Member Gura, yes; Member Wojtowicz, yes; Member Sobah, yes; Member Wade, yes; Member King, yes; Member Aquino, yes and Member Pearl, yes.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:17 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 9:11 p.m.

MOTION #11/07/24 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Wade that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education conducted a hearing on November 11, 2024, in a closed session concerning the Administration's recommended expulsion of Student, 11/11/2024-CVHS02.

The Student and the Student's parents were advised, in writing, of the charges against the Student, the Administration's recommendation of permanent expulsion and all other due process rights required by the law and District policy.

The Board of Education, based on evidence introduced at the hearing, concluded Student 11/11/2024-CVHS02 violated Sections IV of the Student Code of Conduct, entitled, IV.28, "*Physically Assaulting a Staff Member/Student/Person Associated with the District.*" The Board of Education also considered the following factors and concluded the Administration had rebutted the presumption against long-term suspension or expulsion: the Student's age; the Student's disciplinary history; whether the Student is disabled; the seriousness of the Student's misconduct; whether the Student's misconduct threatened the safety of any other student or staff member; whether restorative practices will be used to address the Student's misconduct; and, whether a lesser intervention would properly address the Student misconduct.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: Student 11/11/2024-CVHS02 is permanently expelled from the Chippewa Valley School District and is prohibited from entering any premises owned, operated, or controlled by the district or attending any District-related function.

Yes all, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 9:20 p.m.

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 10:12 p.m.

MOTION #11/08/24 - Moved by Member Gura and supported by Member Wade that the Chippewa Valley Schools Board of Education conducted a hearing on November 11, 2024, in a closed session concerning the Administration's recommended expulsion of Student, 11/11/2024-CVHS01.

The Student and the Student's parents were advised, in writing, of the charges against the Student, the Administration's recommendation of permanent expulsion and all other due process rights required by the law and District policy.

The Board of Education, based on evidence introduced at the hearing, concluded Student 11/11/2024-CVHS01 violated Sections IV of the Student Code of Conduct, entitled, IV.28, “*Physically Assaulting a Staff Member/Student/Person Associated with the District.*” The Board of Education also considered the following factors and concluded the Administration had rebutted the presumption against long-term suspension or expulsion: the Student’s age; the Student’s disciplinary history; whether the Student is disabled; the seriousness of the Student’s misconduct; whether the Student’s misconduct threatened the safety of any other student or staff member; whether restorative practices will be used to address the Student’s misconduct; and, whether a lesser intervention would properly address the Student misconduct.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: Student 11/11/2024-CVHS01 is permanently expelled from the Chippewa Valley School District and is prohibited from entering any premises owned, operated, or controlled by the district or attending any District-related function.

Yes all, motion carried.

MOTION #11/09/24 - Moved by Member Sobah and supported by Member King that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session (*8.c. – Negotiations*).

A roll call vote was taken. Member Gura, yes; Member Sobah, yes; Member Wojtowicz, yes; Member Wade, yes; Member King, yes; Member Aquino, yes and Member Pearl, yes.

Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 10:16 p.m.

MOTION #11/10/24 - Moved by Member Aquino and supported by Member Wade to adjourn the meeting. **Yes all, motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon King, Secretary
Chippewa Valley Schools