

**OPENING OF MEETING 3/19/19** The Copper Country Intermediate School District Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, March 19, 2019**, at the Intermediate Service Center, 809 Hecla Street, Hancock, Michigan, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting opened with the reciting of the **“Pledge of Allegiance.”**

**ROLL CALL** **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Robert C. Tuomi, presiding; Robert E. Loukus; Karen M. Johnson; Dale J. Kero; Lisa A. Tarvainen and Nels S. Christopherson. **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Katrina Carlson, Kristina Penfold, Mike Richardson, Carla Strome, Jason Auel and George Stockero. **GUEST PRESENT:** None

**READING GRANT PRESENTATION** Superintendent, George Stockero gave a presentation on School Finance Reform. School Finance Research Collaborative (SFRC) is a diverse, bipartisan and broad-based group of business leaders and education experts from Metro Detroit to the U.P. The SFRC completed Michigan’s first comprehensive school adequacy study that answers the question: “What does it cost to educate a child?” He also discussed a recent Michigan State University Education Policy report. The MSU report looked at the lack of school funding since the passage of Proposal “A.” and presented Governor Whitmer’s proposed Education Budget.

**AGENDA** It was recommended by Superintendent George Stockero that the submitted agenda with addendum be adopted as presented. It was moved by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to adopt the agenda, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES 2/19/19** It was recommended by Superintendent George Stockero that the submitted minutes of the regular meeting on February 19, 2019, be approved as presented. It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of February 19, 2019, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** It was recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Robert Loukus that the financial statements be accepted as presented. It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Kero to accept the financial statements as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CHECKS WRITTEN** It was recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Robert Loukus that the checks written for the month of February 2019, be approved as presented. Mr. Loukus moved and Mrs. Johnson seconded to approve the checks written for the month of February 2019, as presented.

General Education Fund	\$102,677.31
Special Education Fund	66,920.47
Career & Technical Education Fund	60,448.05
REMC Fund	<u>17,067.46</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$247,103.29</b>

All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS**

It was recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Robert Loukus that the bills as of March 19, 2019, as presented, be paid from the General Education Fund, the Special Education Fund, the Career and Technical Education Fund and the REMC Fund. Mr. Loukus moved and Mrs. Tarvainen seconded to pay the bills as presented as of March 19, 2019.

General Education Fund	\$11,450.53
Special Education Fund	51,909.61
Career & Technical Education Fund	120,647.93
REMC Fund	<u>82,431.03</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$266,439.10</b>

All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE CALENDAR**

It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Mr. Eilola to approve the following Conference Calendar dates for March through May 2019, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Staff</u>
3/3-5	Chicago, IL	Early Hearing Detection & Intervention	Sara Freitag
3/20-22	Grand Rapids, MI	State HOSA	Lorie Maki
4/8-11	Lansing, MI	MSIFN & GELN	Carla Strome
4/16-17	Lansing, MI	MDE Committee	Carla Strome
4/16-19	Portland, OR	DIBELS Training Meeting	Kelly Tuomikoski
4/22-26	Detroit, MI	MiSTEM Network	Emily Gochis
4/23-26	Lansing, MI	MiBLSI Meeting & State Conf.	Kelly Tuomikoski

5/5-7	Ann Arbor, MI	Mi-AIHM Conf.	Sarah Hampton Lori Fortin Jennifer Roose Jennifer Beaudette Joanne Danielson
5/9-10	Shepherd, MI	RITS	Steve Kass
5/20-22	Cheboygan, MI	GLSI	Emily Gochis
5/22-24	Mt. Pleasant	MiBLSI Staff Mtg.	Kelly Tuomikoski

All yeas; motion carried.

**CCASB AWARDS  
NOMINATIONS**

It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Eilola to submit the following nominations for the annual Copper Country Association of School Boards awards, to be presented at the Magnuson Hotel Conference Room in Houghton on April 17, 2019, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero.

Outstanding Education Employee Award: Heather Mroz, Coordinator of Social Skills Behavior Outreach Services

School Service Award: Janel Summers, Autism Coordinator/Instructional Coach

Student Leadership Award: William Kotajarvi, Copper Country Learning Center. All yeas; motion carried.

**CCASB CELA  
NOMINATION**

It was moved by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Christopherson to submit the nomination for Margaret Myllyoja for the annual Copper Country Association of School Boards Community Education Leadership Award, to be presented at the Magnuson Hotel Conference Room in Houghton on April 17, 2019, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**HIRE SPEECH  
LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGIST**

It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Eilola to hire Annie Klein as a Speech Language Pathologist for the start of the 2019-2020 school year, as recommended by Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**CLOSE SAVINGS  
ACCOUNT**

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mr. Christopherson to close the Range Bank savings account and transfer the balance to the Superior National Bank Special Education checking account, as recommended by Business Manager, Jason Auel, with concurrence by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**BUS GARAGE CHANGE ORDER** It was moved by Mr. Kero and seconded by Mr. Loukus to submit the agreement for the Copper Country Bus Garage building change order, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**ADMIN. REPORTS** Superintendent George Stockero briefed the board on the Hancock Public School's Barkell Elementary roof failure. The roof failure directly affected some of the CCISD classrooms. Stockero praised the Learning Center staff on how well they worked together to make the best of a bad situation.

It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to send a Letter of Gratitude to Learning Center staff affected by the roof collapse and for their dedication to provide a safe and enriching learning environment for the students affected. All yeas; motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS.....**None.

**CLOSED SESSION -SUPT. EVAL.** It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Eilola to recess to closed session at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the evaluation of the Superintendent and any other matters pertinent to the Superintendent's evaluation. All yeas; motion carried.

**OPEN SESSION** It was moved by Mr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Loukus to reconvene to open session at 7:05 p.m. All yeas; motion carried.

**SUPT. EVAL.** It was moved by Mr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Kero to give an evaluation rating of Highly Effective to Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**RENEW SUPT. CONTRACT** It was moved by Mr. Christopherson and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to approve renewal of the Superintendent's contract, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE MIN CLOSED SESSION** It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the minutes of the closed session on March 19, 2019, as presented. All yeas; motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT** It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Eilola to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. All yeas; motion carried.

Karen M. Johnson, Secretary  
Copper Country ISD Board of Education

Robert C. Tuomi, President  
Copper Country ISD Board of Education