

**OPENING OF MEETING
3/17/2020**

The Copper Country Intermediate School District Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, March 17, 2020**, 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: Nels S. Christopherson presiding; Gale W. Eilola, Robert E. Loukus; Karen M. Johnson; Dale J. Kero; Timothy Paolsaari and Lisa A. Tarvainen. **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Richardson, Jason Auel, and George Stockero **REMOTELY:** Kristina Penfold, Katrina Carlson, Carla Strome, and Shawn Kolbus,. **GUEST PRESENT:** None

THANK YOU -L’ANSE

Superintendent, George Stockero read a thank you from L’Anse Area Schools on the assistance they received after the death of two students.

AGENDA

It was recommended by Superintendent George Stockero that the submitted agenda 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
2/18/2020**

It was recommended by Superintendent George Stockero that the submitted minutes of the regular meeting on February 18, 2020, be approved as presented. It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Mr, Kero to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of February 18, 2020, 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 2020, be approved as presented. Mr. Loukus moved and Mrs. Tarvainen seconded to approve the checks written for the month of February 2020, as presented.

General Education Fund	\$471,652.21
Special Education Fund	116,563.20
Career & Technical Education Fund	32,388.13
REMC Fund	<u>789,465.23</u>
Total	\$1,410,068.77

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 17, 2020, 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 17, 2020.

General Education Fund	\$64,160.75
Special Education Fund	54,774.56
Career & Technical Education Fund	101,288.63
REMC Fund	<u>25,609.52</u>
Total	\$245,833.46

All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE CALENDAR

It was moved by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to approve the following Conference Calendar dates for March through April 2020, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Staff</u>
3/9-10	Traverse City, MI	HOSA State Competition	Lorie Maki Amanda Hermanson Allison Koskinen 49 Students
3/18-20	Lansing, MI	OCTE Spring Update	Shawn Kolbus
3/26-28	Austin, TX	Preventing Educational Risk	Kelly Tuomikoski
4/14	Wausau, WI	Untangling the Science of Reading	Angie Elmblad
4/16-19	Grand Rapids, MI	Skills USA State Competition	David Narhi 3 Students
4/21-24	Lansing, MI	MSIFN and GELN	Carla Strome

All yeas; motion carried.

COMMUNICATION

Minutes from the Copper Country Superintendents’ Round Table meeting on February 19, 2020, were read and discussed.

DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL

The Board gave the Career Tech Director Shawn Kolbus approval to work with THRUN to develop contracts for a building project with Moyle Construction.

**CCASB CELA
NOMINATION**

It was moved by Mr. Kero and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to submit the nomination for Simple Kindness for Youth (SKY) for the annual Copper Country Association of School Boards Community Education Leadership Award, as recommended by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**PURCHASE
TRUCK/PLOW**

It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to purchase a 2020 F-Series SD and a 9’2” BOSS Polly V-Blade with roof light plow from Copper Country Ford of Houghton, Michigan at a cost of \$36,072.56, as recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

**LETTER OF
COMMENDATION**

It was moved by Mr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Kero that the Board place a letter of commendation in Stockero’s file praising him for his handling of the unusual circumstances that schools are facing at this time due to COVID-19.

**ADMIN.
REPORTS**

The Board reviewed reports submitted by the Administrative Staff. On behalf of the Board, congratulatory letters will be sent to the HOSA winners.

SUPT’S. UPDATE

Superintendent George Stockero discussed Michigan Governor Whitmer’s Executive Order to close K-12 Schools. He also noted that State Superintendent Dr. Rice would like to visit the Copper Country ISD in May and he is working on the Itinerary.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.....None.

**CLOSED SESSION
-SUPT. EVAL.**

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen 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. Loukus and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to reconvene to open session at 6:40p.m. 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 17, 2020, as presented. All yeas; motion carried

SUPT. EVAL.

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to give an evaluation rating of Highly Effective to Superintendent George Stockero. All yeas; motion carried.

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

ADJOURNMENT It was moved by Mr. Kero and seconded by Mr. Loukus to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. All yeas; motion carried.

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

Dr. Nels S. Christopherson, President
Copper Country ISD Board of Education