

OPENING OF MEETING 11/16/2021

The Copper Country Intermediate School District Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, November 16, 2021**, at the Intermediate Service Center, 809 Hecla Street, Hancock, Michigan, beginning at 5:35 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen M. Johnson, presiding; Nels S. Christopherson; Gale W. Eilola; Adam Loukus and Lisa A. Tarvainen
ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Auel, Katrina Carlson, Kristina Penfold, Mike Richardson, Carla Strome, and James Rautiola
GUESTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS.....None.

AGENDA & ADDENDUM

It was recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola that the submitted agenda with addendum be adopted as presented. It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to adopt the agenda, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES 10/19/2021

It was recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola that the submitted minutes of the regular meeting on October 19, 2021, be approved as presented. It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Dr. Loukus to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of October 19, 2021, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

It was recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Nels Christopherson that the financial statements be accepted as presented. It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Eilola 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 Nels Christopherson that the checks written for the month of October 2021, be approved as presented. Dr. Christopherson moved and Mr. Eilola seconded to approve the checks written for the month of October 2021, as presented.

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| General Education Fund | \$499,040.97 |
| Special Education Fund | 135,256.36 |
| Career & Technical Education Fund | 46,849.88 |
| REMC Fund | <u>42,989.49</u> |
| Total | \$724,136.70 |

All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Nels Christopherson that the bills as of November 16, 2021, as presented, be paid from the General Education Fund, the Special Education Fund, the Career and Technical Education Fund and the REMC Fund. Dr. Christopherson moved and Mrs. Tarvainen seconded to pay the bills as presented as of November 16, 2021.

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| General Education Fund | \$105,437.97 |
| Special Education Fund | 71,056.96 |
| Career & Technical Education Fund | 101,347.25 |
| REMC Fund | <u>10,080.89</u> |
| Total | \$278,923.07 |

All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE CALENDAR

It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Dr. Loukus to approve the following Conference Calendar dates for November 2021 through June 2022 as recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Conference</u> | <u>Staff</u> |
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| 11/10-13 | Traverse City, MI | MI Assoc of Social Worker Conf. | Social Workers (4) |
| 1/24-26 | Lansing, MI | Early Childhood MTSS Training | Kelly Tuomikoski |
| 4/13-16 | San Diego, CA | Assoc. of Positive Behavior Supports – National Conf. | Kelly Tuomikoski |
| 4/19-22 | Tampa Bay, FL | Early Childhood PBIS National Conf. | Kelly Tuomikoski |
| 6/13-15 | Lansing, MI | Early Childhood MTSS Training | Kelly Tuomikoski |

All yeas; motion carried.

COMMUNICATION

Minutes from the Copper Country Association of School Boards (CCASB) meeting on October 20, 2021, were read and discussed.

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| ANNUAL SUMMER TAX RESOLUTION COPPER COUNTRY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT |
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A **regular meeting** of the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the **Copper Country Intermediate School District** was held in Conference Room B of the Copper Country Intermediate School District on the **16th day of November, 2021, at 5:30 o’clock p.m.** The meeting was called to order at 5:35 o’clock p.m. by **President Karen Johnson**.

Present: Karen M. Johnson, Gale W. Eilola, Nels S. Christopherson, Lisa A. Tarvainen, Adam R. Loukus

Absent: Dale J. Kero, Timothy J. Palosaari

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Gale W. Eilola and supported by Member Nels S. Christopherson.

WHEREAS:

1. This Board of Education **by resolution of November 13, 1989**, determined to impose a summer property tax levy to collect all of school property taxes, including debt services, upon property located within the Copper Country Intermediate School District, and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board of Education, pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended (the “Revised School Code”), hereby invokes for 2022 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer property tax levy of all of school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the Copper Country Intermediate School District, and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board of Education and requests each city and/or township in which this district is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer property tax levy) to collect those summer taxes.

2. The Superintendent, Business Manager, or his/her designee is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and/or township in which this district is located (and in which a local school district or city is concurrently imposing a summer property tax levy) a copy of this Board’s resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis, and a copy of this resolution requesting that each such city and/or township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2022 in the amount specified in this resolution. **Said resolutions and the request to collect the summer tax levy shall be forwarded so that they are received by the appropriate governing bodies before January 1, 2022.**

3. Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 1613(1) of the Revised School Code, the Superintendent, Business Manager, or his/her designee is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of this District with the governing body of each city and/or township in which the District is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the District’s summer property tax levy that the city and/or township may bill under MCLA 380.1611 or MCLA 380.1612. Any such proposed agreement shall be brought before this Board for its approval or disapproval.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members Johnson, Eilola, Christopherson, Tarvainen, Loukus

Nays: None.

Resolution declared adopted.

Dale Kero, Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of the Copper Country Intermediate School District, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on November 16, 2021, the original of which is part of the Board minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the “Open Meetings Act” (1976 PA 267, as amended).

Dale Kero, Secretary, Board of Education

CHANGE DEC. MTG. DATE It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Loukus to change the date for the next regular meeting to Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., as recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVE CCMH/CCISD CONTRACT It was moved by Dr. Loukus and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to approve the contract between Copper Country Mental Health and the Copper Country ISD Project Aware, not to exceed \$32,000, as recommended by General Education Director Carla Strome with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola, Four yeas, one abstained; motion carried.

HIRE INST. / BUS AIDE -C. SANT It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to hire Courtney Sant as an Instructional/Bus Aide, effective November 8, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE INST. / BUS AIDE -K. KORBY It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Mr. Eilola to hire Kalyssa Korby as an Instructional/Bus Aide, effective November 8, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE INST. / BUS AIDE -A, KUBLIN It was moved by Dr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Eilola to hire Allison Kublin as an Instructional/Bus Aide, effective November 15, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE INST. / BUS AIDE -J. EK It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to hire Jennell Ek as an Instructional/Bus Aide, effective November 8, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE SYSTEM ENGINEER -J. SCHWAMLIEN It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Mr. Eilola to hire Joshua Schwamlien as a System Engineer for REMC1, effective November 29, 2021, as recommended by REMC1 Director Mike Richardson, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

APPROVE POSITION CHNG. -J. NORKOL It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to hire Jennifer Norkol as the Learning Center Secretary, effective October 29, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. Ms. Norkol will be moving from the CTE Secretary position. All yeas; motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION -K. KUJALA-KORPELA It was moved by Mrs. Tarvainen and seconded by Mr. Eilola to accept the resignation, with regret of Kyle Kujala-Korpela, REMC1 System Engineer, effective November 12, 2021, as recommended by REMC1 Director Mike Richardson with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE TEMP. ART TEACHER -L. LOHMANN It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Loukus to hire Linda Lohmann as a temporary art teacher for the 2nd quarter, November to January, with a possible extension as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE TEMP. MUSIC TEACHER -R. HILTUNEN It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to hire Robert Hiltunen as a temporary music teacher for the 2nd quarter, November to January, with a possible extension as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

HIRE TEMP. SECRETARY -K. HAMM It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to hire Karen Ham as a temporary Career Tech Secretary, effective November 3, 2021 with an end date to be determined upon a new hire as recommended by Career Tech Director Shawn Kolbus with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried

ACCEPT RESIGNATION -S. SKUBICK It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to accept the resignation of Solona Skubick, Instructional/Bus Aide, effective November 1, 2021, as recommended by Special Education Supervisor Katrina Carlson and Special Education Director Kristina Penfold with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried

ACCEPT 2020-2021 AUDIT REPORT Jason Auel was present to discuss the audit report and answer any questions. It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Eilola to accept the 2020-2021 audit report as presented and place it on file, as recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel, with concurrence by Board Treasurer Nels Christopherson and Superintendent James Rautola to accept the audit report as presented.. All yeas; motion carried.

**HIRE SPEECH
LANG. PATH.
-S. BODINE**

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to hire Sarah Bodine as a Speech Language Pathologist effective November 13, 2021 as recommended by Special Education Director Kristina Penfold, with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

**HIRE TEMP.
3-D TEACHER
-J. ALBRECHT**

It was moved by Dr. Loukus and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to hire Joshua Albrecht as a temporary teacher for Middle School 3-D Modeling Class through CTE effective November 2021, for the 2021-2022 school year, as recommended Career Tech Director Shawn Kolbus with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

**ADMIN.
REPORTS**

The Board reviewed reports submitted by the Administrative Staff

SUPT’S. UPDATE

Superintendent Rautiola reported that he and the GOISD Superintendent Alan Tullpo presented to MDE - State Board of Education in Lansing on November 9, 2021, showcasing programing within our local schools and the challenges rural schools face, including transportation and educator shortage.

Superintendent Rautiola reported that if the federal vaccination mandate takes effect, the CCISD will need to comply because the organization employs more than 100 individuals.

The WUPHD has agreed to put on a COVID booster shot clinic at the CCISD for interested employees on Friday, November 19, 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.....None.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Eilola to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. All yeas; motion carried.

Dale J. Kero, Secretary
Copper Country ISD Board of Education

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