

**OPENING OF MEETING  
2/15/2022**

The Copper Country Intermediate School District Board of Education held its regular monthly meeting on **Tuesday, February 15, 2022**, virtually, beginning at 5:30 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, Dale J. Kero, Adam Loukus, Timothy Palosaari and Lisa A. Tarvainen. **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Rautiola, Mike Richardson, Jason Auel, Kristina Penfold, Carla Strome, and Shawn Kolbus, **GUEST PRESENT:** Jennifer Beaudette, Lori Fortin, JoAnne Danielson, Sarah Hampton.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD PRESENTATION**

The CCISD Early Childhood staff presented to the Board of Education the services they provide to families 0-5 years of age.

**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 Mr. Palosaari and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to adopt the agenda, as presented. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES  
1/18/2022**

It was recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola that the submitted minutes of the regular meeting on January 18, 2022, be approved as presented. It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mr. Kero to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of January 18, 2022, 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 Mrs. Tarvainen 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 January 2022, be approved as presented. Dr. Christopherson moved and Mr. Eilola seconded to approve the checks written for the month of January 2022, as presented.

General Education Fund	\$978,688.95
Special Education Fund	62,529.36
Career & Technical Education Fund	33,134.11
REMC Fund	<u>20,513.83</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,094,866.25</b>

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 February 15, 2022, 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 Dr. Loukus seconded to pay the bills as presented as of February 15, 2022.

General Education Fund	\$13,606.37
Special Education Fund	64,210.22
Career & Technical Education Fund	58,274.87
REMC Fund	<u>15,969.81</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$152,061.27</b>

All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL**

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mr. Kero to approve the following travel as recommended by Superintendent James Rautiola.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Staff</u>
3/13-15	Wisconsin Dells, WI	Brainstorm Conf.	Anton Pintar Eric Jarvi Steven Mott Doug Mechlin
4/12-13	Lansing, MI	MCIFN	Jennifer Lynn Kristen Karianen
4/13-14	Lansing & Ithaca, MI	MCIFN & GLEN	Carla Strome
4/26-28	Grand Rapids, MI	MSBO Conference	Hayley Sargent

All yeas; motion carried

**COMMUNICA-  
TION**

Minutes from the Copper Country Superintendents’ Round Table meeting on January 28, 2022, were read and discussed.

Recognized Steven Kass, winner of the 2022 MACUL Innovative Leader Award and the MTSS Team, S. Bishop, L. Borree, A. Elmblad, K. Kariainen, K. Hendrickson, J. Lynn, N. Morgan, H. Mroz, K. Penfold, K. Purdy, C. Strome, S. Wunrow, for their Gold Level Recognition from the MiMTSS TA Center. It was moved by Mr. Palosaari and seconded by Dr. Christopherson to issue a recognition letter from the board.

**HIRE PSSD  
TEACHER  
-S. BAKER**

It was moved by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to hire Suzanne Baker as a teacher for the Program for Students with Severe Disabilities at CLK Elementary School, effective January 24, 2022, 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 SCHOOL  
SOCIAL WORKER  
-K. GARRISON**

It was moved by Mr. Palosaari and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to hire Kelli Garrison as a School Social Worker effective March 7, 2022, as recommended by Special Education Director Kristina Penfold with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE  
CONTRACT**

It was moved by Mr. Kero and seconded by Mr. Palosaari to approve the Career Tech Culinary Arts Contract through Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College for the 2021-2022 school year for the amount of \$22,126, as recommended by Career Tech Director Shawn Kolbus with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola. All yeas; motion carried.

**APPROVE  
SCHOOL BUS  
PURCHASE**

It was moved by Dr. Christopherson and seconded by Mrs. Tarvainen to purchase a 2023 Blue Bird Vision School Bus from Holland Bus Company of Holland, Michigan at the cost of \$108,152.00, as recommended by Business Manager Jason Auel with concurrence by Superintendent James Rautiola, All yeas; motion carried.

**RECESS TO  
CLOSED SESSION**

It was move by Mr. Eilola and seconded by Dr. Loukus to recess to closed session at 6:25p.m. for the purpose of discussing a property purchase. All yeas; motion carried.

**RECONVENE TO  
OPEN SESSION**

It was moved by Mr. Palosaari and seconded by Mr. Kero to reconvene to open session at 7:10p.m. All yeas; motion carried.

**START PROCESS  
OF PURCHASE**

It was moved by Dr. Loukus and seconded by Mr. Kero to start exploring the possible purchase of the property next to the Career Tech Center. All yeas; motion carried.

**ADMIN.  
REPORTS**

The Board reviewed reports submitted by the Administrative Staff.

**SUPT’S. UPDATE**

Superintendent James Rautiola mentioned that the CCASB Awards are coming in April and that an award recipient will have to be chosen for the Community Award.

Superintendent Rautiola has been meeting with State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice about the Governor’s budget and Teacher Retention.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. Kero and seconded by Mr. Palosaari to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 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