



**CALEDONIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BOARD ROOM
OCTOBER 16, 2023**

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order** – President White called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call** – Secretary Isic called the roll.

Present: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Absent: None

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion by Saidoo and supported by Barber Garcia, that the board approves the consent agenda as presented:
 1. September 18, 2023 Minutes
 2. October 2023 Personnel Report
 3. September 2023 Payables

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, Saidoo, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

5. Reports and Information

- a. Student Council Representative - An update was shared on the happening taking place with the student body at the high school.
- b. Bond Update - The Superintendent presented an update of the ongoing Bond projects.

6. Discussion Items

- a. 22/23 Audit - The Chief Financial Officer presented a recap of the 22/23 budget and the key highlights of the 2022-2023 audit. The Board will vote during action items.

- b. 2014 Bond Refunding Resolution - There is a refunding opportunity for the 2014 Bonds to provide a beneficial savings to our taxpayers. The Board will vote during action items.
- c. Section 21f Virtual Instruction Authorization - This authorization will formalize an opportunity to enact schoolwide virtual learning for specific reason allowed by legislation. The Board will vote during action items.
- d. TRAVERSA Software - The district is seeking to engage with Tyler Technologies - Student Transportation powered by TRAVERSA, to increase safety, efficiency, communication, and quality of our pupil transportation. The Board will vote at the November meeting.
- e. Earthwork and Site Fencing Dutton Elem. Bid Pack 1 - Proposals were received and vetted for Dutton Elementary bid pack one, representing the package for Earthwork & Site Utilities and Temporary Fencing. The Board will vote during action items.

7. Board and Superintendent Reports

- a. Teaching and Learning Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting which included the following agenda topics: Section 21f Virtual Instruction, Field trip alignment, Finance and Operations update and Superintendent discussion on Caledonia Elementary bond construction and Caledonia Community Center programming.
- b. Finance and Operations Committee - The chairperson shared the highlights of the committee meeting which included the following agenda topics: Audit, 2014 Bond refunding, Dutton earthwork bids, Bond update, MiSEC solar participation, Security transaction windows, Transportation software, YMCA space, Kraft boiler replacement, High school north learning commons, PERA legislation, Teaching and Learning update and Superintendent discussion on Caledonia Elementary bond construction and Caledonia Community Center programming.
- c. Board Reports - The fall Adopt-A-Road cleanup is complete.
- d. Superintendent Report - A report was given which included: Caledonia Elementary National Blue Ribbon School designation, Congratulations to CHS Marching Band, Equestrian Team, Girls Golf team, and Girls Golf coach named Coach of the Year. A Stanford University report highlighted that our district was a top performing district in Michigan between 2019-2022.

Note: Trustee Saidoo exited the meeting at 6:51 pm.

- 8. Public Comment** - The board heard comments from the public.

9. Action Items

a. MiSEC Solar Participation

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board adopt the resolution to participate in the MiSEC / NorthStar Energy clean energy project.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

b. Security Transaction Window RFP

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the district to enter into a contract with Grand Valley Glass for a sum of \$37,405.00 for the provision and installation of Secure Transaction Windows.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

c. HS North Learning Commons

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Nichols, that the Board approve the CHS North Learning Commons AV purchase as presented for an amount not to exceed \$54,762.18.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

d. Earthwork and Site Fencing

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Brandow, that the Board The Christman Company to initiate contracts for the provision of earthworks & site utilities and site fencing for the Dutton Elementary Bid Pack One as recommended.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

e. 22/23 Audit

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the June 30, 2023 audit as conducted by Gabridge & Company.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

f. 2014 Bond Refunding Resolution

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the authorization to refund the 2014 Bonds.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

g. Section 21f Virtual Instruction Authorization

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board approve the district's virtual instruction plan in accordance with Section 21f, Subsection 14, of PA 103 of 2023.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, White
Nays: Nichols
Motion Carried.

10. Closed Session

a. Student Discipline - OMA 15.268, 8(b)

- i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board convene in closed session as permitted under the Open Meetings Act to consider student discipline/reinstatement at the parent's request.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

The board met in a closed session at 7:02 p.m.

The board reconvened in regular session at 7:21 p.m., motioned by Barber Garcia and support by Brandow, with no formal action being taken during closed session.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

11. Additional Action Item

- a. Student Discipline/Reinstatement
 - i. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Morris, that the Board conditionally reinstates student 2122.1.

Ayes: Barber Garcia, Brandow, Isic, Morris, Nichols, White
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

12. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Barber Garcia and supported by Nichols to adjourn at 7:23p.m.

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of a regular board meeting held on the 16th day of October 2023, and that said approved minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after the 27th day of November 2023.

Katie Isic, Secretary
Board of Education