

FARWELL AREA SCHOOLS
399 E. MICHIGAN ST., FARWELL, MI 48622
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MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

7:07PM

Regular Meeting

FHS Jaime Performing Arts Center

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL - PRESIDENT MAXEY
Members Present: Joe Maxey, Angelina Smith, John Gross, Jade Campbell
Members Absent: Kellee Robinson, Shari Buccilli, Nathan Yarhouse
Admin Staff Present: Steve Scoville, Dorothy Boge, Dee Yarger, Cathy Gross, Nancy Cairnduff, Mike Groulx, Darryl Johns, Deb Schomisch

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- III. APPROVE AGENDA
Motion by Smith with support from Gross to approve agenda. Motion passed 4-0.

- IV. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2021 REGULAR MEETING
Motion by Campbell with support from Smith to approve minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

- V. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT
 - A. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR ANY AGENDA ITEMS None
 - B. CELEBRATIONS
Scoville shared letter from State of Michigan from M-STEP audit: FAS was satisfactory in every category. Thank you to Cathy Gross and Nancy Cairnduff for work on audit process and M-STEP testing.

- VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS
 - A. APPROVE MONTHLY OPERATIONAL INVOICES
TOTALING \$410,914.06 (ACTION)
Motion by Gross with support from Smith to approve invoices. Motion passed 4-0.

 - B. GENERAL FUND DONATION (ACTION)
Kap Paesens Family Memorial Donation totaling \$24,000.00
Motion by Smith with support from Campbell to accept donation.
Discussion: Scoville shared proposed spending plan for donation, including purchase of scoring tables for gyms and Clare County Community Foundation Endowment Scholarship Fund set up in Paesens Family name. Motion passed 4-0.

VII. REPORTS

A. ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

Gross: Shoe project with Thrive Church – free shoes for every student along with handwritten notes to each one; MSTEP reward party movie day; construction update; summer program update

Groulx: Basketball team camps for summer; new cheer program; JPC track meet; softball district games

Cairnduff: thank you to staff for finishing the year strong; Detroit Tigers All-A trip success

Yarger: prom/graduation/award ceremonies; fundraisers for Jack, student with cancer; Wood Shop auction, \$5100 raised for program; MSU/Rogers Athletic donation of weight room equipment; Jassmine Warner MDE Breaking Traditions Award; Recycling Class trip, thanks to FutureMold; Kap Paesens donation in honor of Kerwin, Maxine, Kap, and family; summer school/IGNITE update

Schomisch: used bus sale auction online starts tomorrow

Johns: construction/summer work update – very busy moving, painting, cleaning

B. BOARD COMMENTS

Smith: thank you to staff for hard work this year

Maxey: Thank you to staff K-12, last Maxey student graduated this year, very proud and thankful for all the years of commitment to students and families of community

C. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Scoville: Thank you for making a quorum tonight; construction renovation progress; contract negotiations with union groups under way

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2020-2021 EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN UPDATE (DISCUSSION)

Scoville: recommends removing mask requirement for summer schools; shared test scores growth for 20/21

B. 2020-2021 EXTENDED COVID-19 LEARNING PLAN (ACTION)

Motion by Smith with support from Gross to approve plan. Motion passed 4-0.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. NEW HIRES

1. Summer School Title Parapro – Mariah Johns (ACTION)

Motion by Campbell with support from Gross to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.

2. Summer School Title Parapro – Alyssa Shinevar (ACTION)

Motion by Gross with support from Campbell to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.

3. Summer School Title Parapro – Savanna Emmendorfer (ACTION)

Motion by Campbell with support from Smith to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Summer School Title Parapro – Jamie Plichta (ACTION)

- Motion by Campbell with support from Gross to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.
5. High School/Timberland Teacher – Tamara Hall (ACTION)
Motion by Smith with support from Campbell to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.
6. HS Special Ed Parapro – Arthur Ferguson (ACTION)
Motion by Smith with support from Campbell to approve hire. Motion passed 4-0.

B. MHSAA MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION (ACTION)
Motion by Gross with support from Smith to approve resolution. Maxey read resolution aloud for audience. Roll call vote. Motion passed 4-0.

C. MHSAA DISSOLUTION OF WRESTLING COOPERATIVE PROGRAM WITH BEAL CITY SCHOOLS (ACTION)
Motion by Gross with support from Campbell to approve dissolution of program.
Discussion: Scoville explained that Beal City does not have enough wrestlers to participate, Beal City is in agreement with this dissolution. Motion passed 4-0.

D. HIGH SCHOOL HANDBOOK (FIRST READING) (DISCUSSION)
Yarger shared details of language changes; handbook will go online unless a print copy is requested.

E. MIDDLE SCHOOL HANDBOOK (FIRST READING) (DISCUSSION)
Cairnduff shared changes to language; change to water bottle policy allowing students to have clear water bottle in classrooms.

F. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HANDBOOK (FIRST READING) (DISCUSSION)
Gross shared changes to pick-up/drop-off as a result of positive feedback from this year and new construction/parking area.

G. BOND CHANGE ORDER FOR AUXILIARY GYM AIR HANDLER (ACTION)
Motion to approve change order by Smith, support from Campbell.
Discussion: Scoville shared details of bond changes to date and funds currently available; proposal to replace Auxiliary Gym air handlers with new units. Change order total \$409,597.00; will use remaining bond funds, as well as ESSER II funds. Motion passed 4-0.

H. THRUN POLICY ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE 5708 (DISCUSSION)
(FIRST READING)
Scoville shares guidance and policy already approved. Guidelines will help administrators to implement with timeline.

X. COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC COMMENT

A. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION None

XI. CLOSED SESSION FOR NEGOTIATIONS

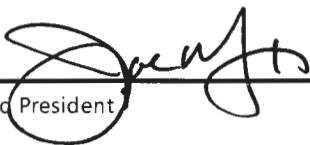
Motion by Gross with support from Campbell to enter closed session. Roll call vote. Motion passed 4-0. Enter closed session at 8:35PM.

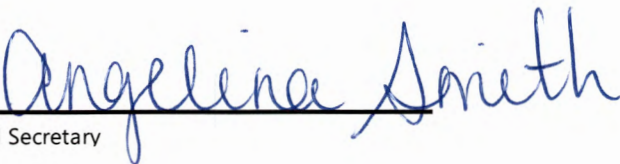
Motion by enter open session by Campbell, support from Gross. Roll call vote. Motion passed 4-0. Enter open session at 9:07PM

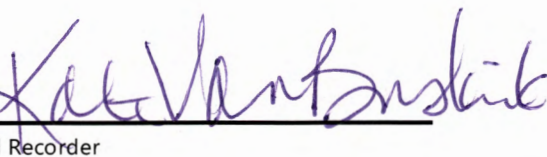
Motion by Campbell with support from Gross to approve Option 16 on Wage Budget Spreadsheet: 1% increase, step increase, and 3 longevity steps plus 3% increase to administrator contracts for 2021/2022 school year, and new wage scale for FESA and FSS groups. Roll call vote. Motion passed 4-0.

XII. ADJOURN

Motion by Gross with support from Smith to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:08PM.

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Board President

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Board Secretary

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Board Recorder

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is a voluntary, nonprofit corporation comprised of public, private and parochial junior high/ middle and senior high schools whose Boards of Education/Governing Bodies have voluntarily applied for and received membership for and on behalf of their secondary schools. The association sponsors statewide tournaments and makes eligibility rules with respect to participation in such Michigan High School Athletic Association sponsored tournaments in the various sports. Each Board of Education/Governing Body that wishes to host or participate in such meets and tournaments must join the MHSAA and agree to abide by and enforce the MHSAA rules, regulations and qualifications concerning eligibility, game rules and tournament policies, procedures and schedules. **It is a condition for participation in any MHSAA postseason tournaments that high schools adhere to at least the minimum standards of Regulation I and the maximum limitations of Regulation II in ALL MHSAA Tournament sports.**

Michigan High School Athletic Association tournaments are the collective property of the MHSAA and not of any individual member school. The MHSAA reserves the right to promote and advance the membership's interests with publication information; exclusive arrangements to create recognition and exposure for school-sponsored activities; restrictive policies prohibiting exploitation and commercialization of MHSAA-sponsored tournaments; appropriate proprietary interests, and the use of images or transmissions identifying contest officials, spectators and member schools' students, personnel and marks.

To obtain membership, it is necessary for the Board of Education/Governing Body to adopt the following resolution for its junior high/middle and senior high schools. This resolution must be formally ratified by your Board of Education/Governing Body and properly signed. Please return one signed copy for our files and retain one copy for your files. Resolutions that are modified in any way or are supplemented with letters placing additional conditions on MHSAA membership or tournament participation shall be rejected.

MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION

For the year August 1, 2021 — through July 31, 2022

LIST ON BACK

_____ the School(s) which are under the direction of this Board of Education/Governing Body.

(Junior high/middle and senior high schools of your school system which are to be listed as MHSAA members and receive MHSAA mailings during 2021-22 must be listed on the back of this form)

FARWELL AREA SCHOOLS City/Township of FARWELL

County of CLARE, of State of Michigan, are hereby:

- (A) enrolled as members of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., a nonprofit association, and
- (B) are further enrolled to participate in the approved interschool athletic activities sponsored by said association.

The Board of Education/Governing Body hereby delegates to the Superintendent or his/her designee(s) the responsibility for the supervision and control of said activities, and hereby accepts the Constitution and By-Laws of said association and adopts as its own the rules, regulations and interpretations (as minimum standards), as published in the current *HANDBOOK* as the governing code under which the said school(s) shall conduct its program of interscholastic athletics and agrees to primary enforcement of said rules, regulations, interpretations and qualifications. In addition, it is hereby agreed that schools which host or participate in the association's meets and tournaments shall follow and enforce all tournament policies, procedures and schedules.

This authorization shall be effective from August 1, 2021 and shall remain effective until July 31, 2022, during which the authorization may not be revoked.

RECORD OF ADOPTION

The above resolution was adopted by the Board of Education/Governing Body of the

FARWELL AREA School(s), on the 21st day of June, 2021, and is so recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the said Board/Governing Body.

FARWELL AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF ED
(Governing Body Name)

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Angelina Smith
Board Secretary Signature
or Designee

Check if Designee

Schools Which Are To Be MHSAA Members During 2021-22

NOTE: Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution, all high schools, junior high/middle schools, or other schools of Michigan doing a grade of work corresponding to such schools, may become members of this organization provided (a) the school building has enrollment and onsite attendance of at least 15 students, whether for grades **6 through 8 or 9, grades 7 through 8 or 9, or grades 9 or 10 through 12**; and (b) if a nonpublic school, the school qualifies for federal income tax exemption as a not-for-profit organization. To reach the 15-student minimum for middle school membership, schools may join the MHSAA at the 6th-grade level whether or not 6th-grade students participate in athletics.

- A. This Section does not require school districts to become member schools at the junior high/middle school level and does not require school districts to sponsor any interscholastic athletics for 6th-grade students.**
- B. If a school district's MHSAA Membership Resolution lists a junior high/middle school as an MHSAA member school, and if the school sponsors a 6th-grade team in any sport or permits a 6th-grade student to participate with 7th- and/or 8th-grade students in any sport, then all of Regulations III and IV apply to all 6th-graders in all sports involving 6th-graders on teams sponsored by that school. If the school does not allow any 6th-graders to participate in a sport, MHSAA rules do not apply in that sport.**

Name the Member High School(s)

List separately from JH/MS even if all grades are housed in the same building.

1. Farwell High School
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____

Name the Member Junior High /Middle School(s)

(member 6th, 7th and 8th-grade buildings)

List separately from HS even if all grades are housed in the same building.

1. Farwell Middle School
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): 4-7
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 7th and 8th-grade enrollment _____
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 6th-grade enrollment _____
 1. **Yes or No (circle one)** 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

2. _____
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): _____
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 7th and 8th-grade enrollment _____
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 6th-grade enrollment _____
 1. **Yes or No (circle one)** 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

3. _____
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): _____
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 7th and 8th-grade enrollment _____
 Provide anticipated 2021-22 6th-grade enrollment _____
 1. **Yes or No (circle one)** 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

If necessary, list additional schools for either column on a separate sheet.