SPARTA AREA SCHOOLS April 14, 2025 Board of Education Offices



# **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Andy Jensen.

Members present: Jensen, VanStrien, Alster, Eluskie, Bormes, Driscoll

Members absent: Bremer

#### **COMMUNCATIONS:**

- A. All-State Athletes: Spartan wrestling, bowling and hockey athletes were recognized and celebrated for their outstanding athletic achievements, earning all-state honors.
- **B.** Spartan Of the Month: Wendy Allen, EL teacher at Sparta Middle School, was honored as the April Spartan of the Month.
- C. Academic Spotlight: Wendy Allen, EL teacher at Sparta Middle School, highlighted the work being accomplished with our EL students at SMS.
- D. Building/Program Communications: Updates were provided by building principals and administrators.
- E. Audience Comments/Public Participation: None

# **CONSENT AGENDA/APPROVAL:**

- A. Previous Minutes: to accept the minutes from the March 10, 2025 meeting.
- B. Personnel Report: to accept the personnel recommendations as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- **C. District Donations:** to accept the donations submitted as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- D. Treasurer's Report: to accept the Treasurer's recommendation to approve the following expenditures:

| General Fund       | \$715,108.62 | Debt Retirement    | -               |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Sinking Fund       | \$20,284.29  | 2019 Bond Series 1 | -               |
| Student Activities | \$24,935.87  | 2019 Bond Series 2 | \$11,155.00     |
| Food Service Fund  | \$131,848.65 | Payroll Fund       | \$1,252,589.24  |
|                    |              | TOTAL              | \$ 2,155,921.67 |

Motion by Bormes, supported by VanStrien, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- **A. Social Emotional learning Resource Adoption:** Allison Dykstra presented the recommendation from staff for the purchase of a new K-8 and 9-12 resource.
- **B.** K-5 Literacy Resource Adoption: Steve Johnson presented the recommendation from the elementary staff for the purchase of a K-5 literacy resource.
- **C. 2025 Kent ISD Biennial Election:** The Board considered designating a Board member and one alternate to act for the Board of Education in casting a vote for the election of the KISD Board.
- **D. Board Policy 5460 Graduation Requirements-First Reading:** The Board reviewed the revision to Policy 5460.
- **E. Chartwells Annual Contract Renewal:** The Board reviewed the contract renewal with Chartwells, as required through the Michigan Department of Education.

# **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

- A. Kent ISD Enhancement Millage: November 2025
- B. Thrun Law Notes: March 2025
- C. Board Workshop: April 28, 2025
- D. Roundtable Discussion:

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Alster, supported by VanStrien, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm.

Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark L Alster

Board of Education Secretary Sparta Area Schools