## **BUCHANAN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

JUNE 19, 2023 REGULAR MEETING BUCHANAN HIGH SCHOOL

**CALL TO ORDER PRESIDENT:** Dr. Burnett opened the meeting at 6:03pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Dr. Burnett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL PRESENT:** C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H.

Burnett

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Robinson, Mark Kurland, Phil Place, Michelle

Munyon, Carrie Brunsting, Brian Brown, Courtney Schubach

ADOPTION OF AGENDA MOTION by R. Writer, SECONDED BY Member K. Berry, the agenda for the board

meeting of June 19, 2023 be adopted as written.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer,

and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** Dr. Burnett & Mrs. Robinson welcomed all.

**POINTS OF PRIDE** Varsity Softball Team – 2023 Regional Champs

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2023-2024

**BUDGET** 

Mr. Brian Brown presented the 2023-24 school budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR HEARING ON 2023-2024

**BUDGET** 

None.

SUPERINTENDENT/
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Parent Advisory Committee, May 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Mrs. Robinson informed the

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS** board they spoke of the threat assessment process.

**PRESENTATIONS** 98b – Mr. Mark Kurland presented to the board the 98b goal reporting report.

INFORMATION/REPORTS & NEW BUSINESS

Human Resources Committee, June  $7^{th}$  Meeting – Mrs. Berry shared they spoke of resignations, new hires, open positions, not receiving the Grow Your Own Grant,

upcoming contracts and the school farm.

Finance Committee, June 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Mr. Carlson shared the meeting was

regarding the 2023-24 school budget.

November 2023 Bond Discussion

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by **R. Writer**, SECONDED BY Member **K. Laesch**, the Board of Education approves the consent agenda for the regular board meeting of June 19, 2023 be adopted as written:

- 1. Minutes:
  - 5-9-2023 Special Meeting
  - 5-15-2023 Regular Meeting
  - 6-5-2023 Regular Meeting
- 2. Warrants:
  - Treasury & Expenditure Reports May 2023
- 3. Probationary/Tenure Listing for 2023-24 School Year
  - Buchanan High School
  - Buchanan Middle School
  - Moccasin Elementary School
  - Ottawa Elementary School
- 4. Employment Contracts for 2023-24 School Year:
  - Michelle Munyon, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent & BOE
  - Laura Morris, Payroll Coordinator
  - Rebecca Kaltenbach, Food Service Supervisor
  - Nate Will, Transportation Supervisor
  - Sophia Williams, Utility Coordinator
  - Michael Cornelius, Maintenance
  - David Short, Maintenance
  - Stephen Schaefer, Bus Mechanic
  - **Ethan Cauffman, Operations Utility Staff**
  - Robert Cauffman, Operations Utility Staff
  - Dave Griswold, Operations Utility Staff
  - Judith Harman-Conrad, Operations Utility Staff
  - Breanna Hullinger, Operations Utility Staff
  - Dawn Spielman, Operations Utility Staff
  - Sandra Summers, Operations Utility Staff
  - Michelle Trail, Operations Utility Staff
- 5. MHSAA 2023-24 Membership Resolution
- 6. Recommendations to Hire as submitted for:

Recommended Employee	Title
Shane Farley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher
Katie Deitrich	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
David Short	Maintenance (contract attached)
Marc Hartman	BMS/BHS Band Director

# 7. Employment Departures:

Name	Position	Date upon which wages will terminate
Stacey Lee	BMS SPED Teacher	August 25, 2023 (teaching contract ends June 8, 2023

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

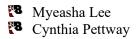
BUCHANAN VIRTUAL
ACADEMY GRADUATION
CERTIFICATION

MOTION by **H. Burnett**, SECONDED by **R. Writer**, upon satisfactory completion of district requirements for high school graduation, the Board of Education hereby approves:

Buchanan Virtual Academy Students:

Takisha Ennis

Ruby Kimmerly



# Buchanan Step Up Student: 3 Jayla Outlaw

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

# NEOLA BOARD POLICIES – SECOND READING

MOTION by **J. Brackett**, SECONDED by **K. Berry**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the second reading of the following NEOLA new and revised policies:

POLICY	Description
1422	Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
1430	Leaves of Absence
1615	Use of Tobacco by Administrators
1662	Anti-Harassment
2260	Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Education Opportunity
2260.01	Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability
2340	Field Trips
2623	Student Assessment
3122	Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
3215	Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff
3362	Anti-Harassment
3430	Leaves of Absence
4122	Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
4215	Use of Tobacco by Support Staff
4362	Anti-Harassment
4430	Leaves of Absence
5512	Use of Tobacco by Students
5517	Anti-Harassment
5610	Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students
6325	Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
7434	Use of Tobacco on School Premises
7440	Facility Security
7540.02	Web Accessibility, Consent, Apps, and Services
7540.03	Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
7540.04	Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
7544	Use of Social Media (new)

8300	Continuity of Organizational Operations Plan
8305	Information Security
8315	Information Management
8390	Animals on District Property
8400	School Safety Information
8510	Wellness
9160	Public Attendance at School Events
9700.01	Advertising and Commercial Activities

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

2023-2024 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS MOTION by **R. Writer**, SECONDED by **K. Laesch**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the annual district administrative contracts for the 2023-2024 school year from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

ADOPTION OF THE 2022-2023 FINAL BUDGET AMENDMENT & 2023-2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED by **K. Berry**, the Buchanan Board of Education, in accordance with the General Appropriations Act, accepts the Buchanan Community Schools' budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023 amended as presented and the 2023-2024 budget appropriation. Said documents to be entered into the minutes of this meeting and to take immediate effect.

### AMENDMENT TO GENERAL APPROPRIATION Resolution for Adoption by the Board of Education of Buchanan Community School District GENERAL FUND

June 19, 2023

Resolved, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations of Buchanan Community School District for the 2022-2023 fiscal year; a resolution to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all revenue received by the Buchanan Community School District.

Be it further resolved, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriation in the general fund of the school district for fiscal year 2022-2023 which includes 18 mills of ad valorem taxes to be levied on non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property to be used for operating purposes is amended as follows:

Revenue:	
1xx Local	\$ 2,683,345
2xx Other Political Subdivisions	-
3xx State	15,962,773
4xx Federal	802,996
5xx -6xx Other Financing Sources	370,025
TOTAL REVENUE	\$19,819,139
Total Fund Balance, July 1, 2022 Available to Appropriate	\$ 4,314,966

Be it further resolved, that \$ 19,848,545 of the total available to appropriate in the General Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

\$ 24,134,105

Expenditures: 1xx Instruction	
11x Basic Programs	\$ 10,077,252
12x Added Needs	2,114,955
2xx Support Services	
21x Pupil Support	1,106,717
22x Instructional Staff Support	665,026
23x General Administration	425,331
24x School Administration	1,093,879
25x Business Services	445,107
26x Operations and Maintenance	2,026,075
27x Transportation	905,678
28x – 29x Other Central Support	924,614
3xx Community Services	57,034
4xx – 6xx Other Financing Uses	6,877
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	\$ 19,848,545

Projected June 30, 2023 Fund Balance \$ 4,285,560

Further Resolved, that no board of education member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the board of education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the board shall require approval of the board.

This resolution shall take effect June 19, 2023

TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE

# Buchanan Community Schools 2022-2023 Special Program Original Appropriations 6/19/2023

## FOOD SERVICE FUND

State 22,760	enue:	
•	:al	169,168
Federal 570 580	ie e	22,760
770,500	eral	570,580
Total Revenue 762,508	l Revenue	762,508
Beginning Fund Balance, July 1, 2022 617,717	nning Fund Balance, July 1, 2022	617,717
Total Available to Appropriate 1,380,225	l Available to Appropriate	1,380,225

Be it further resolved, that \$875,141 of the total available to appropriate in the Food Service Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

# Expenditures

Food Service Expenses	875,141
Total Appropriated	875,141
Fund Balance July 1 , 2022	617,717
Projected Revenue to Expense	(112,633)
Non-spendable Fund Balance	0
Projected Restricted Fund Balance, June 30, 2023	505,084

## DEBT SERVICE FUND

Neveriue.	
Local	1,742,623
Total Revenue	1,742,623
Total Revenue	1,742,023
Beginning Fund Balance, July 1, 2022	12,784
Total Available to Appropriate	1,755,407

Be it further resolved, that \$1,680,491 of the total available to appropriate in the Debt Service Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

# Expenditures

Debt Service Expenses 1,680,491

Total Appropriated	1,680,491
Fund Balance July 1 , 2022	12,784
Projected Revenue to Expense	62,132
Non-spendable Fund Balance	0
Projected Restricted Fund Balance, June 30, 2023	74,916
SINKING FUND  Revenue:	
Local	332,667
Total Revenue	332,667
Beginning Fund Balance, July 1, 2022	837,502
Total Available to Appropriate	1,170,169

Be it further resolved, that \$185,855 of the total available to appropriate in the Sinking Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

# Expenditures

Sinking Fund Expenses	185,855
Total Appropriated	185,855
Fund Balance July 1 , 2022	837,502
Projected Revenue to Expense	146,812
Non-spendable Fund Balance	0
Projected Restricted Fund Balance, June 30, 2023	984,314

# TRUST & AGENCY FUND

Revenue:

Local	321,765
Total Revenue	321,765
Beginning Fund Balance, July 1, 2022	429,283
Total Available to Appropriate	751,048

Be it further resolved, that \$320,875 of the total available to appropriate in the Sinking Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

# Expenditures

Trust & Agency Fund Expenses	320,875
Total Appropriated	320,875
Fund Balance July 1 , 2022	429,283
Projected Revenue to Expense	890
Non-spendable Fund Balance	0
Projected Restricted Fund Balance, June 30, 2023	430,173

#### RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE Buchanan Community Schools

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations of Buchanan Community Schools for the 2023-2024 fiscal year; a resolution to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all revenue received by the Buchanan Community Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the General Fund of Buchanan Community Schools for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 which includes 18 mills of ad valorem property taxes to be levied on non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property and zero mills on homestead and qualified agricultural property to be used for operating purposes be adopted as follows:

#### REVENUE:

1xx Local	\$ 2,852,539
3xx State	15,592,280
4xx Federal	754,703
5xx-6xxOther Financing Sources	238,971
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 19,438,493

TOTAL FUND BALANCE, JULY 1 Available to Appropriate

4,201,426

TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE

\$ 23,639,919

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$19,708,276 of the total available to appropriate in the General Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

#### **EXPENDITURES**

1xx - Instruction	
11x - Basic Instruction	\$ 9,675,060
12x - Added Needs	2,095,890
2xx – Support Services	
21x - Pupil Support	1,259,643
22x - Instructional Staff Support	617,502
23x - General Administration	440,123
24x - School Administration	1,036,191
25x - Business Services	420,697
26x - Operations and Maintenance	2,034,228
27x - Transportation	1,175,329
28x-29x Other Central Support	905,360
3xx - Community Services	48,251
4xx-6xx Other Financing Uses	<u>-0-</u>

Total Appropriated \$19,708,276
Total Revenue Less Expenditures
Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2024 \$3,931,643

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the board shall require approval of the board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budgets adopted by the Board, and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District shall levy the following millages for the 2023-2024 school year:

18.000 mills non-homestead property\* tax rate be certified for levy for the 2023 – 2024 school year for operating purposes

0.7919 mill Sinking Fund on all property tax rates be certified for levy for the 2023 – 2024 school year for sinking fund purposes

and that the administration be authorized to file L-4029 in accordance with this resolution

THE APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION shall take immediate effect.

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\*Including non-qualified agricultural properties

These millage rates are included in this resolution to fulfill the requirements of the Truth

in Budgeting Act.

#### FOOD SERVICE

An ACT to make appropriations and to provide the disposition of all income received by the Buchanan Community Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the **School Service Fund** of Buchanan Community Schools for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 is as follows:

#### REVENUES

REVENUES	
1xx Local	\$ 22,200
3xx State	89,186
4xx Federal	868,477
5xx-6xxOther Financing Sources	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 979,863
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2023	\$ 384,534
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	\$1,364,397

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$ 955,922 of the total available to appropriate in the **School Service Fund** is hereby appropriated in the accounts and for the purposes set forth below:

#### **EXPENDITURES**

2xx Food Service	\$ 995,922
Total Appropriated	\$ 995,922
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2024	\$ 368,475

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district should expend any fund or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board herein shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budgets adopted by the Board, and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education.

THE APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION shall take immediate effect.

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## 2013 DEBT RETIREMENT FUND

An ACT to make appropriations and to provide the disposition of all income received by the Buchanan Community Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the 2013 Debt Retirement Fund of Buchanan Community Schools for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 is as follows:

#### REVENUES

1xx Local	\$1,147,678
4xx Federal	0
5xx-6xxOther Financing Sources	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,147,678
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2023	\$ 74,012
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	\$1,221,690

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$1,113,327 of the total available to appropriate in the Debt Retirement Fund is hereby appropriated in the accounts and for the purposes set forth below:

## **EXPENDITURES**

xxx-xxx Other Financing Uses	\$1,113,327
Total Appropriated	\$1,113,327
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2024	\$ 108,363

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district should expend any fund or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board herein shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budgets adopted by the Board, and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education.

THE APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION shall take immediate effect.

### CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS (SINKING FUND)

An ACT to make appropriations and to provide the disposition of all income received by the Buchanan Community Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there be levied upon the taxable value of all properties 0.7919 mills for sinking fund purposes available for sinking fund appropriations in the Capital Projects/Sinking Fund of Buchanan Community Schools for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 is as follows:

#### REVENUES

1xx Local \$ 378,686

 TOTAL REVENUE
 \$ 378,686

 ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2023
 \$ 747,369

 TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE
 \$ 1,126,055

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$ 876,055 of the total available to appropriate in the Capital Project (Sinking) Fund is hereby appropriated in the accounts and for the purposes set forth below:

 EXPENDITURES
 Total 876,055

 4xx - Site Improvement
 \$ 876,055

 Total Appropriated
 \$ 876,055

 ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2024
 \$ 250,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district should expend any fund or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board herein shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budgets adopted by the Board, and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education.

THE APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION shall take immediate effect.

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#### TRUST and AGENCY FUND

An ACT to make appropriations and to provide the disposition of all income received by the Buchanan Community Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the **Trust and Agency Fund** of Buchanan Community Schools for the fiscal year 2023 – 2024 is as follows:

#### REVENUES

1xx Local	\$ 526,688
4xx Federal	0
5xx-6xxOther Financing Sources	0
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 549,441
ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2023	\$ 443,053
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	\$ 992,494

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$ 513,498 of the total available to appropriate in the Activity Fund is hereby appropriated in the accounts and for the purposes set forth below:

## **EXPENDITURES**

4xx-6xx Other Financing Uses \$ 513,498

Total Appropriated \$ 513,498

ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE: JULY 1, 2024 \$ 478,996

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district should expend any fund or obligate the expenditure of any funds except pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board herein shall require approval by the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budgets adopted by the Board, and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education.

THE APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION shall take immediate effect.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

NOVEMBER 2023 BOND RESOLUTION

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED by **H. Burnett**, the Buchanan Board of Education agrees to add a school bond to the November 2023 election ballot.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

NAYS: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H.

**Burnett MOTION NOT ADOPTED** 

CLOSED SESSION –
SUPERINTENDENT MIDYEAR EVALUATION
REVIEW

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED by **R. Writer**, the Buchanan Board of Education moves into closed session per section 8(A) of the Open Meetings Act, to conduct a mid-year evaluation review of the Superintendent. Time 6:53pm

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION** 

MOTION by **K. Laesch**, SECONDED by **R. Writer**, the Buchanan Board of Education resolves to return to open session. Time 7:35pm

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & BUSINESS MANAGER CONTRACT WITH BRESA

MOTION by **C. Carlson**, SECONDED by **J. Brackett**, the Buchanan Board of Education approves the contracts for Accounts Payable & Business Manager Services with Berrien RESA.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, K. Berry, J. Brackett, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, R. Writer, and H. Burnett

NAYS: None MOTION ADOPTED

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Carlson spoke of the 16 grants that BCS had received totaling approximately \$2,100,000 and thanked the staff for finding and applying for them.

Mrs. Laesch congratulated Miss Michigan, Maya Schuhknecht.

Dr. Carlin appreciates our districts leadership.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** Monday, July 17, 2023 at 6:00pm

ADJOURNMENT 7:40 pm