

MUSKEGON Public Schools

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Minutes 9/20/2022

Board of Education - Special Board Meeting

September 20, 2022 at 5:00 PM in Room 123 at the New Administration Building

1. Lynnette Marks called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM

2. Roll Call

Muskegon Public Schools

☒ Bill O'Brien ~~☒ Louis Churchwell~~ ☒ Christine Hamel ☒ Lynnette Marks

☒ Billie Bruce ☒ Zachary Anderson ☒ Kwame Kamau James

Muskegon City

☒ Ken Johnson(5:03) ☒ Willie German Jr.(5:17) ☒ Rebecca St. Clair ☒ Rachel Gorman

☒ Teresa Emery ☒ Michael Ramsey

3. No Public Comment Registration

4. No Addition or Removal of Agenda Items

5. New Business

a. Traffic flow around schools

- i. Partnership between us with the new MMS design layout. Buses have been separated from road traffic and parent drop off areas.

b. St. Jean's Church property update

- i. MPS purchased the property for the land needs at MHS
- ii. There has been some interest in the buildings on the property. We have had a nonprofit and the city interested in the brick building for a teen drop in site.
- iii. The Nelson Mansion deal fell through. So that will not be moved off site. Still looking at options for that.
- iv. St. Jeans has some major damage, MPS will likely have to repurpose to flat ground.

c. Angell School sale and plan

- i. Sold to Franklin Fudail for a boxing/tutoring program. Along with some other business space in the building. That is not what happened and instead a Charter school was opened, very disappointing.

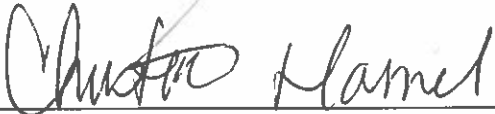
d. Nelson School plan

- i. Nelson building is currently housing MCEC this year. There is a lot of construction at MHS and they needed the space that MCEC used to use. Looking at trying to house Marquette at Nelson for 1 year as well. Building will probably be vacant again in 2024.
- ii. What would happen to the building after that?
 - 1. MPS is open to it being used for something else. Discussions around Grocery store, housing, ect.
 - 2. How is the building being maintained right now?
 - a. Just like any school building. Everything is being kept up.

e. Charles Hackley Middle School update

- i. The first level is up and they are working on the second level. Walls should be up for winter so some inside work can be done.
- ii. What is happening to the old MMS building?
 - 1. Might make a good Community center or housing.

2. Might be available 2024
3. Trinity Health Care has a program that takes old school buildings and makes them into Community Centers. MPS should look into this.
- f. Summer youth programming
 - i. Covid has hurt us a little, trying to ramp things up again.
 - ii. The City of Muskegon is reviving the Parks and Recreation department. Looking to hire a director by next year.
- g. School officers - plans, expected role of the officers
 - i. Looking to add an SRO at MMS like we have here at MHS.
- h. Projects for collaboration - how do we assist each other?
 - i. Communication is Key.
 - ii. City needs to know what is going on at MPS to help discuss and answer any questions they receive from the community.
 - iii. Realtor meeting discussion for this year again. Making sure local realtors know what is happening at MPS to let families know who move into the district.
 - iv. Look at having the Family Coordinator go to welcome families along with the Commissioner.
6. Public Comment
 - a. *We allow up to 3 minutes for any guest who would like to comment to the Board of Education. We will not discuss nor respond tonight; however, if needed, the appropriate school official will contact you. At this time, if you would like to make a public comment, please state your name and address. Speakers are asked to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others who may be affected by your comments*
 - b. Randy Vanderweit - McLaughlin Neighborhood President
7. Announcements
 - a. Ken Johnson - Thank you all this is great groundwork.
8. Lynnette Marks adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm


Signature

 Secretary
Date

Ann Marie Meisch, City Clerk

Adopted 10/25/2022