

A special meeting of the Ishpeming Public School District Board of Education was held in the library of the Ishpeming High School on December 21, 2009.

The meeting was called to order by President Lyle Warner at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Geno Maino, Robert Nadeau, Lyle Warner, David Leverton, James Smith and Angela Kiviniemi.

The following member was absent: Jennifer Ruusi.

Also present were: Superintendent Stephen Piereson, Business Manager Anthony Bertucci and Principals Brian Sarvello and Brian Veale.

There were no audience comments.

Board Secretary Mr. Smith administered the oath of office to Incumbent Board Member Mr. Maino.

New Business

The Board, on a motion by Mr. Warner, and supported by Mr. Leverton, acted to accept the resignation of Mrs. Linn Carlson, special education aide at the Ishpeming High School, with regret. All vote aye.

The Board, on a motion by Mr. Warner, and supported by Mr. Maino, acted to appoint Mrs. Pamela Allen to the position of cheerleading coach at the C.L. Phelps School. Mr. Nadeau abstained from the vote. There were 5 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board, on a motion by Mr. Nadeau, and supported by Mr. Smith, acted to appoint Mrs. Susan Kruger to the position of Assistant to the Special Education Coordinator. All voted aye.

The Board, on a motion by Mrs. Kiviniemi, and supported by Mr. Nadeau, acted to appoint Mr. Phillip Leyerer to the position of volunteer coach in the Ishpeming High School Boys' Basketball program. All voted aye.

Building Report

Superintendent Piereson presented various building program considerations and options to the Board:

1. Build an addition onto the Birchview School to include 7 new classrooms, a music room, a library, 2 computers labs, a new cafeteria and kitchen area, and a new gymnasium. This option would close the C.L. Phelps School. (Design Option 3 by Ehresman Associates Inc.)
2. Build an addition onto the Birchview School to include 7 new classrooms, a music room, a library, 2 computers labs, and new cafeteria and kitchen area without the inclusion of a new gymnasium. This option would close most of the C.L. Phelps School – the district

would have to retain use of the gymnasium. (Design Option 4 by Ehresman Associates Inc.)

3. Build some other type addition to the Birchview School as determined by the Board.
4. Do no construction at the Birchview School and retain the current three school buildings.

After much discussion, the Board, on a motion by Mr. Warner, and supported by Mr. Smith, acted to approve Design Option 3 by Ehresman Associates Inc., and authorized the superintendent to submit the Prequalification Application to the Department of Treasury and finalize the Design 3 concept. All voted aye.

Audience comments are filed in the Superintendent's Office located in the Ishpeming High School.

The Board, on a motion by Mr. Nadeau, and supported by Mr. Maino acted to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. All voted aye.