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## Public Schools of Calumet, Laurium, & Keweenaw Parent Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes

The CLK Parent Advisory Committee held its monthly meeting on October 27, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., in the CLK Boardroom.

Present were members: Mary Pennala, Melissa Keranen, Karyn Pomroy, Lanette Lassila, and Chris Davidson, Superintendent.

Absent were members: Keith Anderson, Roy Loukus, Lynn Koivisto, Jessica Mattson, Kim Robbins, Tamara Fryer, Katie Oja, Adam Loukus, Jake Garrow, David Bertholf, Kristi Pieti, Joni Erkkila, Leann Fogle, Steve Tarnowski, Kristin Zubiena Melissa Anderson, Nicki Lahti, Jodi Skoog, Brooke Peterson, and Dan Giachino.

On motion, second (Mary P, Karyn P.) unanimous decision, minutes from the September 22, 2022, meeting were approved.

There were no changes made to the agenda for the October 27, 2022, meeting.

Presentations/Speakers: none

Sub-Committee Reports:

- a) Curriculum: as text requests come in C. Davidson will notify the PAC for those interested to have the opportunity to review them.

Announcements: 2022-23 PAC meeting dates are online (<http://www.clkschools.org/parent-advisory.php>). **Note: Not all meetings are on the third Thursday as in past years.**

Unfinished Business:

- a) C. Davidson asked for confirmation on the request to communicate handicap accessibility for students
- b) C. Davidson inquired about any continued issues with the end times of Wednesday practices. The concern was brought to the athletic director and principals, and coaches were notified to keep Wednesday practices to 5 PM so students can get to religion activities on time

New Business:

- a) C. Davidson provided information about the November ballot items explaining how the Operating Millage will work contrary to the confusing ballot language, and the Houghton County ballot error regarding the number of school board members to vote for.

Other Business: None

- a) Student cell phones in the high school – M. Keranen brought the question to the PAC regarding the different handbook policy for cell phones between the middle school and high school. Concerns about student social skills, excessive technology screen time, distraction to learning, and others were brought up by committee members. A positive mentioned was the convenience for parents to be able to communicate with their high school students when needed. The question was proposed, what do the high school teachers think about the current handbook policy.
- b) A PAC member expressed the need for some type of speaker or assembly for students concerning Social Media Safety.

The CLK Parent Advisory Committee adjourned at 6:24 p.m.