

At its, May 10, 2022 Board of Education meeting, the CLK Board viewed a demonstration by the Calumet High School FIRST Robotics Team, the Calumet CopperBots and congratulated the CopperBots coaches, mentors and team on their successful season. The CopperBots competed at Escanaba where they were semi-finalists and won the Engineering Inspiration for the 4th time in a row (one of 20 teams in the state); Kingsford where they were finalists and won the Quality Award for robust robot design and elegance; and the Michigan State Championships at Saginaw State University where they were finalists on Consumer Field and were ranked 24th in the state out of 458 teams. The team advanced to the World Championships in Houston, Texas where they finished 9th in their division and were semifinalists. They were the highest ranked Upper Peninsula team ever and were ranked in the top 1% of teams in the world. The team is coached by Todd Waurio, with mentors, Major Michael Farley, Bruce Jackson and Brian Miller. Team members include Keating Dinsmore, Ben Jackson, Charles Jackson, Gabriel King-Takacs, Braden Miller, Ava Nagel, Abe Perala, Lowell Torola and Liisa Ylitalo.

In other action, the CLK Board of Education:

- expressed their appreciation to the Portage Health Foundation for their \$19,969.35 grant to the Horizons Alternative High School to support the Mohawk Rink;
- congratulated Ms. Tristan Baranowski on receiving the General Education Teacher Award and Brooke Pomroy and Aidan McKellar on receiving Make A Difference Awards from the Copper Country Intermediate School District's Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education;
- congratulated the Forensics Team on taking 10th in Class C/D at the Forensics State Tournament held on April 30th. Olivia Wickstrom placed 10th in Sales and was semi-finalist and Ani Schneiderhan placed 14th in Impromptu Speaking;
- congratulated the Calumet High School Science Olympiad team, coaches and volunteers on their season and performance at the Science Olympiad State Tournament held on April 30th. This year's team members are Helen Erickson, Emma Peters, Shelby Wiinamaki, Jamie Rogers, Meliina Kesti, Keating Dinsmore,Carolynn Bruchman, Kailin Aho, and Liam Sullivan. Coaches: Darrell Hendrickson, John Asiala, Kim Vaitkevicius, Justin Erkkila and Gina Erickson. Assisting coaches and volunteers Zach Vaitkevicius, Pete Vaitkevicius, Jen Peters and Wendy Wiinamaki;
- congratulated the Washington Middle School Science Olympiad team, coaches and volunteers on their season and performance at the Science Olympiad State Tournament held on April 30th. This year's team members are Maija White, Keira Johnson, Melody Woods, Merisa Lishinski and Bella Newsom. Coaches: Darrell Hendrickson, John Asiala, Kim Vaitkevicius, Justin Erkkila and Gina Erickson. Assisting coaches and volunteers Zach Vaitkevicius, Pete Vaitkevicius, Jen Peters and Wendy Wiinamaki;
- congratulated Helen Erickson on receiving the 2022 Arion Award and Vincent Llamas-Mercado on receiving the 2022 Marching Band Award;

- expressed appreciation to Pat's IGA & Toni's Country Kitchen for their donation of snacks to the students on the Chicago Art trip;

- expressed appreciation to supporters for their donation of \$250 or more to the Calumet CopperBots FIRST Robotics Team;

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- commended students who took part in the Calumet High School Drama Club play "Acting Can Be Murder" along with Director, Matthew Riutta;

- accepted the recommendation of High School Principal Jennifer Peters of students who will satisfactorily complete diploma requirements and are eligible to receive a Calumet High School diploma at commencement services;

- accepted the recommendation of High School Principal Darren Kinnunen of students who will satisfactorily complete diploma requirements and are eligible to receive a Horizons High School diploma at commencement services;

- continued to opt in favor of an Intermediate School District's schools of choice program for the 2022-2023 school year;

- extended appreciation to CLK School Nurse Carey Sullivan for May 11, 2022, National School Nurse Day;

- extended appreciation to CLK Food Service staff on May 6, 2022, National School Lunch Hero Day for their contribution to the health and learning of CLK's students;

- resolved to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education and the Calumet School Employees Unit of Local 226 (ASFCME) that the following language be added to the Calumet School Employees Unit of Local 226 (ASFCME) contract

Article XX: Holidays

D. If the day after Thanksgiving or Easter Monday fall on a day when school is in session, the paid holiday would be a day during Christmas or Spring Break.

- declared April 25-May 1, 2022 as Student Appreciation Week;

- congratulated the administration, faculty and staff at CLK Elementary School on being named a Capturing Kids Hearts Showcase School for the second year in a row;
- congratulated the Washington Middle School and Calumet High School bands along with Director, Ryan Watt, on a successful spring music program;
- accepted with regret, the resignation notice of Mrs. Joni Carlson, Calumet High School & Washington Middle School PE/Health teacher, effective June 30, 2022;
- authorized the family medical leave of Mrs. Holly Wright according to Article 18 Section E of the Board's contract with the CEA;
- accepted with regret, the retirement notice of Mr. Sean Jacques, Calumet High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, effective July 1, 2022;
- approved the 2022-2023 General Fund Budget as submitted by the Copper Country Intermediate School District;
- authorized the borrowing up to \$1,800,000 for 2022-2023 school operations;
- accepted the resignation notice of Mr. Matt Laho as the head varsity girls' basketball coach effective immediately and thanked Mr. Laho for coaching our high school athletes;
- congratulated Mr. Daniel Giachino on being elected to the Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Association as the 1st Vice President;
- congratulated Mr. John Croze on being chosen to be inducted into the 2022 Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

The Board's next meeting will be June 14th at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room.