

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, December 11, 2017  
7:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

**CALL MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Leslie Public Schools, Ingham and Jackson Counties, Michigan, was called to order by President Mary Crowl at 7:02 p.m.

Members present: Mary Crowl  
John Wayne Stewart  
Tim Carroll  
Tom Sears  
James Wood

Members absent: Eric Isham  
Dave Cowing

Administrator(s)  
present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent  
Scott Powers  
Scott Cousineau  
Todd Gonser  
Jim Dell  
Rob DeSmith  
Kristen Hawkins

Others: Shanna Messner  
Casey Sterle  
Bob Howe  
Emily Rector  
Frank Rector, Jr.  
Jacob Rector  
Estella Schmelter  
Mike Holland  
Wiltse Family  
Claudia Beegle  
Mason DeBruler  
Drew DeBruler  
Grant Walker  
Dan Schmelter  
Caspers  
Grant Weber  
Gabe Weber  
Gavin Weber  
Hailee Loch  
Heather Kimbrell  
Andy Gibbs  
Danielle Gibbs

Devin Gibbs  
Marissa Orrin  
Lori Orrin  
Bob Orrin  
Ron Beagle  
Brandi Stepp  
Solina Robles  
Dan Chaubar  
Angie Chaubar  
Sarah Smid

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:

None.

The Board presented certificates of recognition to:

- Four individuals on the Boys Soccer Team;
- Seven individuals on the Football Team;
- Girls Cross Country Team;
- Boys Cross Country Team.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by J. Wood to approve the December 11, 2017 Agenda; Minutes of the November 13, 2017 regular meeting; Minutes of the November 20, 2017 special meeting (open and closed); Minutes of the November 29, 2017 regular/workshop meeting; bills in the amount of \$244,613.28 be approved for payment as presented; Pcard Statement; General Fund Budget Report and Food Service Fund Budget Report as of 11/30/17. Vote: ayes 5, nays, 0, absent 2 (E. Isham & D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

School Law Notes and Ingham Intermediate School District Board Briefs were distributed as informational items.

Mary Crawl read the thank you note from the Dwight E. Carr family thanking the board members for the monetary donation made in his memory.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

**A. Bob Howe Bronze Statue Donation for Woodworth**

Bob Howe presented a bronze statue of a little boy carrying his books to school to the District. He also presented, on behalf of Jana Winn, two migratory duck mounts to the District. The Board thanked Mr. Howe for his generous donation.

**B. Early Childhood Programs**

Early Childhood Learning Teacher, Casey Sterle, presented an overview of the Early Childhood Programming and Childcare system in Leslie Public Schools.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**A. Enrollment as of December 6, 2017**

Superintendent Jeff Manthei reported that enrollment as of December 6, 2017 is 1358.

**B. Introduce the 2017-18 Teacher Handbook**

Superintendent Jeff Manthei introduced the 2017-18 Teacher Handbook to the board for their review.

**BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:**

**A. NEOLA Policies/2017 Fall Updates - Second Reading**

Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education approve the second reading of the 2017 NEOLA Fall Updates as presented. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (E. Isham & D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**B. High School Choir Trip To Nashville**

Moved by, J. W. Stewart, supported by T. Carroll that the Board of Education approve the High School Choir trip to Nashville April 19 - 22, 2018 per the recommendation of High School Principal Scott Powers. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (E. Isham & D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**C. High School Math Department Chair**

Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education hire Emily Ambs as the High School Math Department Chair per the recommendation of High School Principal Scott Powers. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (E. Isham & D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**D. Seventh Grade Girls Basketball Coach**

Moved by J. W. Stewart, supported by J. Wood that the Board of Education hire Taylor Masters as the Seventh Grade Girls Basketball Coach per the recommendation of Middle School Athletic Director Tom Shafer. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (E. Isham & D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

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ADJOURNMENT:

President Crowl adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Tim Carroll, Treasurer  
Leslie Public Schools