

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular/Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, August 26, 2020
5:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Library/Remote

CALL MEETING

The regular workshop meeting of the Board of Education of the Leslie Public Schools, Ingham and Jackson Counties, Michigan, was called to order by President Dave Cowing at 5:01 p.m.

Members present: Dave Cowing
 Shauna Howe
 Eric Isham
 Deann Maynard
 Mary Crowl (arrived 5:15)
 Bud Fifield (arrived 6:40)

Members absent: John Wayne Stewart

Administrator(s)
present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent
 Todd Gonser
 Connie Gonzalez
 Andrea Roach
 Travis McComb
 Dave Medcoff

Others:

Pledge of Allegiance given.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

A. Middle School Student 2019-20.4 Reinstatement Hearing

Closed Session

Moved by E. Isham, supported by D. Maynard to enter closed session at 5:03 p.m. at the request of the parent to protect the right of privacy as required by Federal Law for a discipline hearing.

Vote: ayes 4, nays 0, absent 3 (M. Crowl, B. Fifield & J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

The Board entered closed session at 5:03 p.m.

Board members discussed information regarding the reinstatement of Leslie Middle School Student 2019-20.4.

Open Session

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by S. Howe that the Board of Education re-enter regular session at 6:03. p.m. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield & J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

The Board entered regular session at 6:03 p.m.

Motion

Moved by E. Isham, supported by S. Howe that after consideration by the Board of Education that Middle School student 2019-20.4 be reinstated to Leslie Public Schools, placed in sixth grade online at Leslie Middle School for a minimum of the first trimester. The student will be placed on an educational contract with the administration. The student must petition the Board prior to returning to face-to-face instruction at Leslie Middle School. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield & J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

B. Woodworth Elementary Student 2019-20.2 Hearing

Closed Session

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by S. Howe to enter closed session at 6:10 p.m. at the request of the parent to protect the right of privacy as required by Federal Law for a discipline hearing. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2, (J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Time entered closed Session 6:10 p.m.

Trustee Bud Fifield arrived at 6:40 p.m.

Open Session

Moved by M. Crawl, supported by D. Maynard that the Board of Education re-enter regular session at 7:00 p.m. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Time returned to open session 7:00 p.m.

Motion

Moved by E. Isham, supported by D. Maynard that after consideration by the Board of Education that Woodworth Elementary Student 2019-20.2 be reinstated to Leslie Public Schools. The student will be placed on a behavior/academic contract with the administration. Any violation of the behavior/academic contract may result in a disciplinary hearing with the Board of Education. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:

None

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

A. Accept Resignation

Moved by S. Howe, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Cori Henry as the High School Math Teacher.

Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

B. Hire High School German Teacher

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by S. Howe that the Board of Education hire Ryan Duff as the High School German Teacher per the recommendation of the interview committee. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

C. Hire High School Math Teacher

Moved by B. Fifield, supported by S. Howe, that the Board of Education hire Joe Liberato as the High School Math Teacher per the recommendation of the interview committee. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

D. Changing Workshop Dates from Wednesdays to Mondays

The October workshop has been rescheduled from October 21 to Monday, October 26. The November workshop has been rescheduled from November 18 to Monday November 23.

Principal Gonzales discussed Woodworth's Wednesday daycare plan. The district has licensing, staff and space to support 75-80 students.

Network Administrator Travis McComb provided an update on the distribution of devices for the students who are participating in online learning.

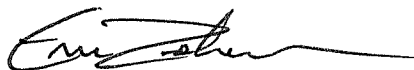
Maintenance Supervisor Dave Medcoff provided an update on the bleacher project.

Superintendent Manthei provided an update on the number of employees who took the Voluntary Severance Plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by E. Isham, supported by M. Crowl to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (J.W. Stewart), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Isham, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools