

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Board/Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, January 28, 2015
6:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

A Regular Board/Workshop meeting of the Board of Education of the Leslie Public Schools, Ingham and Jackson Counties, Michigan, was called to order by President Eric Isham at 6:05 p.m.

CALL MEETING

Members present: Mary Crowl
Eric Isham
John Wayne Stewart
Deann Maynard
Tim Carroll
James Wood (arrived at 6:10 p.m.)

Members absent: Bud Fifield

Administrator(s)
present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent
Others: Pat James
Troy James

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:
None.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:
Supt. Manthei shared a success story of an Ingham Virtual High School Student.

**INGHAM VIRTUAL
HIGH SCHOOL**

Supt. Manthei presented a line graph showing the pay-off difference between a sinking fund and a bond extension. Consensus of the Board to move forward with a sinking fund. Much discussion ensued about how many mills to ask for a sinking fund and when to put this issue before the voters (August or November ballot).

**SINKING FUND/
BOND EXTENSION**

Supt. Manthei reported that work is being done with Lewis & Knopf to bridge the gap before restructuring the Business/Finance department. After a representative

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from Lewis & Knopf gets a complete understanding of all the accounting requirements, they will offer their recommendations for restructuring.

Consensus of Board members to add a stipend of \$3,000 per year to Supt. Manthei's contract for mileage, parking fees, cell phone and meals. This addition will be on the contract renewal for July 1, 2015.

**SUPT STIPEND/
SALARY/GOALS**

In addition, consensus of the Board to have an item on the Feb. 9, 2015 agenda to increase the superintendent's salary 2.5% effective July 1, 2015.

A rough draft of 2015 Superintendent Goals was distributed to board members. This will be an agenda item for discussion on the Feb. 25, 2015 regular meeting/workshop agenda.

Board President Isham and Supt. Manthei will meet to discuss the details for a Board Retreat. The Russell Miller Nature Center at the Wild 100 was suggested as a possible location for a retreat.

Moved by J. Wood, supported by J.W. Stewart to hire Larry Campbell as Head Varsity Girls Softball Coach per the recommendation of Athletic Director Scott Cousineau.
Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (B. Fifield), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**HIRE HEAD
VARSITY GIRLS
SOFTBALL COACH**

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by J.W. Stewart to approve the Bank Accounts/Services at Independent Bank as outlined in the attached Memo from Supt. Jeff Manthei dated January 21, 2015. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (B. Fifield), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**APPROVE BANK
ACCOUNTS/
SERVICES AT
INDEPENDENT
BANK**

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Moved by J. Wood, supported by M. Crowl
that the Board of Education accept the
resignation of Miranda Owsley as Business
Manager effective January 13, 2015.

Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (B. Fifield),
abstention 0. Motion carried.

President Isham adjourned the meeting
at 8:28 p.m.

**ACCEPT
RESIGNATION**

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary L. Crowl".

Mary Crowl, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools