

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Meeting
Monday, May 11, 2015
7:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

A regular 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 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mary Crowl
Bud Fifield
Eric Isham
John Wayne Stewart
Deann Maynard
Tim Carroll
James Wood

Members absent:

Administrator(s)

present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent

Others: Kristen Hawkins
Scott Powers
Travis McComb
Carol Franz
Scott Cousineau

Troy James
Pat James
Jim Dell
Rob DeSmith
John Weaver

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:

Mary Crowl, 1400 Baseline Road, Leslie said the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are buying picnic tables for use at the Wild 100.

Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J.W. Stewart to approve the May 11, 2015 agenda; Minutes of April 20, 2015 regular meeting (open and closed); Minutes of April 26, 2015 retreat; the bills in the amount of \$1,627,982.63 be approved for payment as presented; and Pcard Statement. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE:

School Law Notes; and an invitation to Leslie City Manager's Farewell Open House were distributed as informational items.

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INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

1) Safety Grant Updates

Facility/Transportation Director Troy James updated the Board on the Michigan State Police \$72,567 safety grant recently awarded to Leslie Public Schools. Planned purchases are a paging system; outside speakers going to the elementary and middle school playgrounds; and keyless entries for all main doors at every building. Network Administrator Travis McComb said 100 telephones have been purchased. He has installed 72 telephones in classrooms so that every classroom in the district has a telephone.

2) Bleacher Update

Mr. James reported that the away-side bleachers at the football field are installed. Concrete work still needs to be finished.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1) Enrollment

Supt. Jeff Manthei reported that enrollment is 1,398 as of May 5, 2015. This number includes Ingham Virtual, GSRP and drive-in students.

2) Parent/Teacher Conferences for 2014-15 School Year

Supt. Manthei reported this year's attendance follows a typical pattern for the past few years. Because the high school spring attendance was typically low, staff may need to find a better way to communicate with parents instead of spring parent/teacher conferences.

3) Truth in Taxation June 22nd, 2015

This is a reminder to Board members that a special meeting will be held on June 22nd, 2015 to approve the 2015-2016 budget.

4) Soccer Club - Donation of Water Hydrant
The Leslie Youth Soccer Club installed a water hydrant at the soccer field. As per Board policy, a thank you letter has been sent.

5) Knights of Columbus Donation
The Mason Knights of Columbus donated \$469.92 to the special education department. The money will be used to purchase calculators. A thank you letter has been sent.

6) Parker Hannifin Corporation Donation
The Parker Hannifin Corporation donated \$350.00 to Leslie Public Schools, which has been deposited in the bleacher fundraising account. A thank you letter has been sent.

7) NEOLA Policy Introduction
NEOLA has returned the edited copy of the entire board policy manual. A proof copy is in the Superintendent's office. Board members are welcome to review the edited copy. First reading is scheduled for the May 20th, 2015 regular/workshop meeting.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:
Moved by M. Crawl, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approve a trip to Ecuador from June 13, 2016 to June 22, 2016 per the recommendation of High School Principal Scott Powers. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**ECUADOR TRIP/
JUNE 2016**

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by J.W. Stewart to approve the proposed ISD budget as per the enclosed resolution. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**SUPPORT ISD
GENERAL FUND
BUDGET**

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Moved by J. Wood, supported by D. Maynard that Mary Crowl is designated as the representative of this Board to elect candidates to vacancies on the ISD Board on June 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Tim Carroll is designated as alternate in case Mary Crowl is unable to serve in this capacity. It is the directive of this Board that the ballot be cast for Nancy Stanley for the one (1) open six-year term. The attached resolution will be completed with the intention of this motion. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**REPRESENTATIVE
AND ALTERNATE
TO ISD BOARD
ELECTION**

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approve the Best Practices Incentive Resolution as outlined in Enclosure #11. Roll Call Vote: ayes 7 (J. Wood, T. Carroll, J.W. Stewart, D. Maynard, E. Isham, B. Fifield, M. Crowl); nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**BEST PRACTICES
INCENTIVE
RESOLUTION**

Moved by M. Crowl, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education approve the Woodworth Elementary School Student Handbook as previously submitted. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**APPROVE
WOODWORTH
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approve the Leslie Middle School Student Handbook as previously submitted. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**APPROVE
MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approve the Leslie High School Student Handbook as previously submitted. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

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Moved by D. Maynard, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approve the Resolution for Millage Proposal, Building and Site, Sinking Fund Tax Levy as outlined in Enclosure #12. Roll Call Vote: ayes 7 (J. Wood, T. Carroll, J.W. Stewart, D. Maynard, E. Isham, B. Fifield, M. Crawl); nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**SINKING FUND
RESOLUTION**

Moved by J. Wood, supported by D. Maynard to convene into closed session pursuant to Subsection 8 (c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing teacher contract negotiations. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 1 (E. Isham). Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Due to conflict of interest, President E. Isham abstained from voting and left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

The Board entered Closed Session at 7:50 p.m.

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education re-enter regular session at 8:44 p.m. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

Vice President Carroll adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Crawl, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools