

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular/Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, May 24, 2017
6:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

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 Mary Crawl at 6:00 p.m.

CALL MEETING

Members present: Mary Crawl
John Wayne Stewart
Eric Isham
Tim Carroll
James Wood (arrived at 6:25 p.m.)
Tom Sears

Members absent: Dave Cowing

Administrator(s)

present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent
Others: Kelly Sundeen Troy James
Kathy Wright Pat James
Kristen Hawkins Anita Strong
Rosemary Sidlosky Cindy Farley
Kathryn Oliver Molly Robles
Scott Powers Mark Robles
Colleen Hart Jim Dell
Travis McComb

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:

Rosemary Sidlosky, 113 Worthington Place, Leslie spoke about an ongoing middle school issue involving her son. She encouraged the board to look into "Okay 2 Say."

Mary Crawl, 1400 Baseline Road, Leslie thanked Loretta Vince for encouraging and supporting her board commitment.

Scott and Darlene Karns, owners of McDonald's, celebrated their 20th anniversary in Leslie. They decided to give 20% of their sales for that day to Leslie Public Schools.

**MCDONALD'S
PRESENT CHECK
TO LESLIE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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Senior Molly Robles gave her forensics presentation to the Board. The genre was story telling - children's literature.

**FORENSICS
PRESENTATION**

Board recess at 6:24 p.m.

Board reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

Superintendent Manthei introduced NEOLA spring updates for Board review. First reading will be on the June 12th, 2017 agenda.

**NEOLA SPRING
POLICY
INTRODUCTION**

Title I teachers Kathy Wright and Kelly Sundeen updated Board members on 3rd grade reading. They will present a complete year's data at the June 26th, 2017 regular/workshop meeting.

**3rd GRADE
READING UPDATE**

Moved by T. Sears, supported by E. Isham for the Superintendent to provide Board members with clear direction of the root cause analysis of 3rd grade reading deficiency(s). Further, to develop a plan to work to correct the deficiency (s) and the plan must have objective criteria to evaluate if the plan is meeting its goal(s).
Vote: ayes 2 (T. Sears, E. Isham), nays 4 (T. Carroll, J. Wood, M. Crowl, J.W. Stewart), absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion defeated.

Business Manager Anita Strong presented a preliminary draft budget for 2017-2018. In addition, she outlined cost and time savings with a proposed automated time clock. Cost is \$5,909.

**DRAFT 2017-18
BUDGET**

Moved by E. Isham, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education hire Tom Johns as a high school math teacher per the recommendation of Scott Powers.
Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**HIRE HIGH
SCHOOL MATH
TEACHER**

Facility Director Troy James updated the board on the latest construction meeting and site plan meeting. Where teachers will park during the summer months was addressed. They will be able to park on Doty Street and 3-5 cars can park at the Worthington Place apartments.

**SINKING FUND
UPDATE**

Food Service Director Kristen Hawkins updated the board on the possibility of increasing lunch prices, based on recommendations from the State of Michigan. A new law has gone into effect this year, which states that the general fund has to cover outstanding student lunch debt. Board consensus to re-evaluate the possibility of increasing lunch prices next year.

LUNCH PRICES

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by J. Wood that Mary Crawl is designated as the representative of this Board to elect candidates to a vacancy on the ISD Board on June 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Tim Carroll is designated as alternate in case Mary Crawl is unable to serve in this capacity. It is the directive of this Board that the ballot be cast for David Robinson and John Wolenberg for the two (2) open six-year terms. The attached resolution will be completed with the intention of this motion. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**LESLIE BOARD OF
EDUCATION
REPRESENTATIVE/
ALTERNATE TO
ISD BOARD**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by E. Isham that the Board of Education accept the resignation of David Hovarter as an 8th grade science teacher effective May 8th, 2017. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**ACCEPT
RESIGNATION**

Moved by E. Isham, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Rachel Craddock as a Middle School Physical Education Teacher effective June 9th, 2017. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0. Motion carried.

**ACCEPT
RESIGNATION**

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Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J. Wood
that the Board of Education approve the
Woodworth Elementary School Student
Handbook as previously submitted.

**APPROVE
WOODWORTH
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

Motion was withdrawn.

Moved by E. Isham, supported by T. Carroll
that the Board of Education approve the
Leslie Middle School Student Handbook
as previously submitted. Vote: ayes 6,
nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0.
Motion carried.

**APPROVE
MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

Moved by E. Isham, supported by T. Carroll
that the Board of Education approve the
Leslie High School Student Handbook
as previously submitted. Vote: ayes 6,
nays 0, absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0.
Motion carried.

**APPROVE
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT
HANDBOOK**

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

CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered Closed Session at 9:05 p.m.

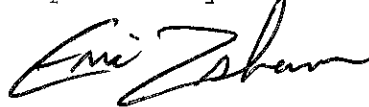
Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J.W. Stewart
that the Board of Education re-enter regular
session at 9:30 p.m. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0,
absent 1 (D. Cowing), abstention 0.
Motion carried

OPEN SESSION

President Crowl adjourned the meeting at 9:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Isham, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools