

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, February 10, 2025
7:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Library

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 Dave Cowing at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Dave Cowing
 Eric Isham
 Deann Maynard
 Dominic Ambroggio
 Brad Dunlap
 Beth Yeider

Members absent: Bud Fifield (Excused)

Also present: Scott Powers, Superintendent

Pledge of Allegiance given.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were received from Lance Woodland, Yavonne Whitbeck, and Bill Whitbeck.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by D. Ambroggio to approve the February 10, 2025 Agenda; Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Annual Organizational/Regular Meeting and Closed Meeting; Bills in the amount of \$235,769.56 be approved for payment as presented; Pcard Statement; General Fund Budget Report and Food Service Budget Report as of 1/31/2025.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

January 21, 2025 Ingham ISD Board Briefs: No discussion.
January 25, 2025 School Law Notes: No discussion.
Thank You Note from Mason Knights of Columbus - Mr. DeSmith thanked the Mason Knights of Columbus for their donation to the Special Education department.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Congressional App Challenge - Colin Every

Principal Redman honored Colin for creating an app to track bills through Congress. He won the US Congressional App Challenge. His app will be displayed in the US Capitol building for one year.

Lego League Update - Marcy Thayer

Brittni Schumacher, parent of a Lego League participant, talked about the amazing things that the Lego League has accomplished. The students talked about building their robots, their competition, and showed their robot.

Envision Math Update - Andrea Redman

Principal Redman talked about the strengths and weaknesses they have found so far this year with the pilot program of Envision Math. Principal Redman proposed that the board approve the purchase of the Envision Math Curriculum for the district for the 2025-2026 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Kindergarten Round-up and School of Choice

Superintendent Powers presented the commercials for kindergarten round-up and school of choice.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

Approval of Course Listings for Leslie High School (LHS)

"Moved by D. Maynard, supported by E. Isham that the Board of Education approve the Leslie High School (LHS) course offerings (LHS Curriculum Guide; GenNet online course catalog, and MVU online course catalog) as presented by Superintendent Powers."

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

Approval of Course Listings for Ingham Virtual High School (IVHS)

"Moved by B. Yeider, supported by E. Isham that the Board of Education approve the course offerings for Ingham Virtual High School (IVHS) (GenNet online course catalog, and MVU online course catalog) as presented by Superintendent Powers.

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

Approval of Course Listings for Leslie Middle School (LMS)

"Moved by B. Yeider, supported by D. Ambroggio that the Board of Education approve the Leslie Middle School (LMS) course offerings (LMS Curriculum Guide; GenNet course catalog, and MVU course catalog) as presented by Superintendent Scott Powers."

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

Overnight High School Trip

"Moved by D. Ambroggio, supported by B. Dunlap that the Board of Education approve the High School athletic wrestling trip as stated in Enclosure 6 per the recommendation of High School Athletic Director Johns."

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

Approve Willis & Jurasek, P.C. for 2024-2025 Audit

"Moved by D. Maynard, supported by B. Yeider to retain the accounting firm of Willis & Juraske, P.C. for the purposes of performing the state required school audit for the school year 2024-2025 and other financial and accounting advice as needed.

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

MASB Board of Directors Election

- *Guillermo Lopez, Lansing school District
- *Cory McLaughlin, Jefferson Schools
- *Jack Temsey, Eaton RESA

MASB Board of Directors Candidate

Moved by E. Isham supported by D. Maynard to nominate Cory McLaughlin as MASB Board of Directors Candidate.

Moved by B. Dunlap supported by D. Ambroggio to close nominations.

Roll Call Vote to Close Nominations for MASB Board of Directors Candidate.

Ayes: D. Ambroggio, D. Cowing, B. Dunlap, E. Isham, D. Maynard, B. Yeider Nays: None. Absent: B. Fifield

Roll Call Vote for Cory McLaughlin MASB Board of Directors Candidate.

Ayes: D. Ambroggio, D. Cowing, B. Dunlap, E. Isham, D. Maynard, B. Yeider Nays: None. Absent: B. Fifield

Cory McLaughlin voted as MASB Board of Directors Candidate.

Middle School Student Discipline Hearing - Student 2024-25.4

Closed Session:

"Moved by D. Ambroggio, supported by E. Isham to enter closed session at the request of the parent to protect the right of privacy as required by Federal Law for a discipline hearing."

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

Time entered closed session: 7:41 p.m.

Open Session:

"Moved by B. Dunlap, supported by D. Ambroggio that the Board of Education ratify (Board Member) D. Cowing's declaration that the board re-enter regular session at 8:54 p.m."

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

Possible Motion:

"Moved by E. Isham, supported by D. Maynard that after consideration by the Board of Education accept the Resolution for Discipline, regarding Leslie Middle School student 2024-25.4, per enclosure 8."

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

Closed Session

"Moved by E. Isham, 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 negotiations."

Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 1(B. Fifield), abstention 1 (D. Ambroggio). Motion carried.

The board entered closed session at 9:01 p.m.

Open Session

"Moved by E. Isham, supported by D. Maynard that the Board of Education ratify (*Board Member*) D. Cowing's, declaration that the board re-entered regular session. "

Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2(B. Fifield)(D. Ambroggio), abstention 0. Motion carried.


The board entered open session at 9:13 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

"Moved by E. Isham, supported by B. Dunlap to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m."

Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2(B. Fifield)(D. Ambroggio), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Isham
Secretary,
Board of Education
Leslie Public Schools