

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 8, 2021
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 Shauna Howe at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Shauna Howe
Deann Maynard
Mary Crawl
John Wayne Stewart
Bud Fifield

Members absent: Dave Cowing
None Eric Isham

Administrator(s)
present: Scott Powers, Superintendent
Todd Gonser
Andrea Roach
Connie Gonzalez
Rob DeSmith
Travis McComb
Anita Strong
Dave Medcoff
Kristen Hawkins
Kara Mowers

Others: Leslie staff and community members (remote) a complete list of remote attendees is available at the Superintendent's Office.

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT - Reconfirmation of Learning Plan - None

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Mary Crawl, Baseline Road, Leslie praised and thanked our staff for all they have done and achieved this year. She also thanked her fellow board members for their service.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by M. Crawl to approve the March 8, 2021 Agenda; Minutes of the February 3, 2021, special board meeting (open and closed); Minutes of the February 8, 2021, special board meeting (open and closed); Minutes of the February 8, 2021, regular board meeting; Minutes of the February 24, 2021, regular/workshop meeting; bills in the amount of

\$191,417.49 be approved for payment as presented; Pcard Statement; General Fund Budget Report and Food Service Budget Report as of 2/28/2021. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

February 25, 2021, School Law Notes, and February 16, 2021, IISD Board Briefs were distributed as informational items.

Vice President Shauna Howe shared a thank you note from Jeff Manthei, Chocolate Milk grant award notification, and thank you letter to Leslie United Methodist Church.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

Facilities Update

Dave Medcoff demonstrated the new air quality controls they installed at Woodworth.

A. Committee Reports

Ingham School Officers Association (I.S.O.A.)

Mary Crawl shared the status of different schools around our district.

District Advisory Team (DAT)

Superintendent Powers shared the below from the last DAT meeting:

- Running interventions for face-to-face and online students
- WW Teachers attended and paid for the Science of Reading seminar on their own
- Reading curriculum being reviewed by three different committees
- Exploring summer school options
- Funding for summer school - At-risk or ESSER

Leslie Public School District Foundation

Superintendent Scott Powers and Trustee Fifield attended the last Foundation meeting. Finances were part of discussions as well as looking for new ways to help the teachers and kids.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Introduce Middle School Student Handbook

Superintendent Powers introduced the Middle School Student Handbook to the board for review. He shared that the PBIS, the School Improvement Team, and Principal Roach all had updates in the handbook. The board will vote to approve the changes at their next board meeting.

Bond Update

Principal Powers, Shauna Howe, Robert Atkins, Todd McDonald, and Kerry Frey participated in a Bond Committee meeting. During the meeting, ideas for the bond were shared, i.e., getting the word out early, being

visible, getting feedback, informational meetings in the schools, rally our school base. The next committee meeting is on March 17.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

A. Accept Resignation

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Jeanmarie Hunt as a Middle School Teacher. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

B. Accept Resignation

Moved by B. Fifield, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Anita Strong as the Business Manager. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

C. Parking Lot Improvements

Moved by J. W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education award the 2021 Parking Lot Improvements Project to Anderson-Fischer Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$509,180.00. This contract award includes the costs for all three projects combined along with the add Alternate number 1 cost to upgrade the pavement to (MDOT HMA 4E1 mix) per the recommendation of Superintendent Scott Powers and Maintenance Supervisor Dave Medcoff. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Extension of Contracts

D. Todd Gonser, High School Principal

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (220 days per year) to Todd Gonser as High School Principal which would extend his contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

E. Andrea Roach, Middle School Principal

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (215 days per year) to Andrea Roach as Middle School Principal which would extend her contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

F. Connie Gonzalez, Elementary School Principal

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by D. Maynard that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (215 days per year) to Connie Gonzalez as Elementary School Principal, which would extend her

contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

G. Gregory Pscodna, Middle/High School AD/High School Discipline/Attendance Coordinator

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (205 days per year) to Gregory Pscodna as Middle/High School Athletic Director/High School Attendance Coordinator, which would extend his contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

H. Rob DeSmith, Special Education Director

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (210 days per year) to Rob DeSmith as Special Education Director, which would extend his contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

I. Kristen Hawkins, Food Service Director

Moved by J. W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (210 days per year) to Kristen Hawkins as Leslie Public School's Food Service Director, which would extend her contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

J. Travis McComb, Network Administrator

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (220 days per year) to Travis McComb, as Leslie Public School's Network Administrator, which would extend his contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

K. Kara Mowers, Transportation Supervisor

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a two-year contract extension (195 days per year) to Kara Mowers as Leslie Public School's Transportation Supervisor, which would extend her contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

L. Dave Medcoff, Maintenance Supervisor

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approves a two-year contract extension (230 days per year) to Dave Medcoff as Leslie Public School's Maintenance Supervisor, which would extend his contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

M. Julie Fletcher, Business Office Technician

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a two-year contract (225 days per year) to Julie Fletcher as Leslie Public School's Business Office Technician, which would extend her contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

N. Marcy Russell, Executive Secretary

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves a one-year contract extension (235 days per year) to Marcy Russell as Leslie Public School's Executive Secretary, which would extend her contract to June 30, 2023. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Andrea Roach presented the Continuity of Learning Plan and updated the Board on any changes that were implemented since their last meeting.

O. Reconfirmation of Learning Plan

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by M. Crowl that the Board of Education approves the March reconfirmation of the Leslie Public Schools Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

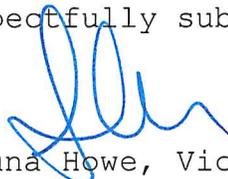
P. Sinking Fund

Superintendent Powers shared that the Sinking Fund and the perspective bond would go hand in hand. Different needs were discussed. Sinking Fund's five-year plan will be added to the March 24, 2021 Workshop Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by J.W. Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (D. Cowing & E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Shauna Howe, Vice President
Leslie Public Schools