

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, July 13, 2020  
7:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Library/Remote

**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 President Dave Cowing at 7:00 p.m.

Members present:        Dave Cowing  
                              Shauna Howe  
                              Eric Isham  
                              Deann Maynard (remote)  
                              Mary Crowl  
                              John Wayne Stewart  
                              Bud Fifield

Members absent:

Administrator(s)  
present:                 Jeff Manthei, Superintendent  
                              Scott Powers  
                              Todd Gonser (remote)  
                              Connie Gonzalez (remote)  
                              Rob DeSmith (remote)  
                              Andrea Roach (remote)  
                              Travis McComb  
                              Greg Pscodna  
                              Dave Medcoff (remote)

Others:                 Shanna Messner  
                              Jocelyn Thomas  
                              Kurt Thomas  
                              Amy Arnold (remote)  
                              JoAnn Isham (remote)  
                              Kristin Phillips (remote)  
                              Lissa Fehrenbach (remote)  
                              Marcella Thayer (remote)  
                              Nicole Ryder (remote)  
                              Pam Beegle (remote)  
                              Rebecca Clark (remote)  
                              Veronica Hackworth (remote)  
                              Andrea Weaver (remote)  
                              Casey Sterle (remote)  
                              Stacey Coltrain (remote)  
                              James Hanson (remote)  
                              Brooke Stahle (remote)  
                              Jennifer Prater (remote)  
                              Jeff Antaya (remote)

Pledge of Allegiance given.

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COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:

Shanna Messner, Elk Ridge Drive, Eaton Rapids shared her concerns regarding the superintendent succession plan.

Mary Crawl, Baseline Road, Leslie shared that board discussions regarding potentially vacant positions and specific names made her feel uncomfortable.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by S. Howe that the Board of Education approve the July 13, 2020 Agenda; Minutes of the June 24, 2020 Truth and Taxation Hearing and Regular/Workshop Board Meeting; Minutes of the June 8, 2020 Regular Meeting; bills in the amount of \$190,516.23 be approved for payment as presented; Pcard Statement; General Fund Budget Report and Food Service Budget Report as of 6/30/20. Roll Call Vote: ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield; nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

June 16, 2020 ISD Board Briefs and June 25, 2020 School Law Notes were distributed as informational items.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

**A. Bond Update**

Mr. Kerry Frey and Kurt Wright updated the board on the bond campaign.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

**A. Middle School Elective Course Curriculum-Second Reading**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield that the Board of Education approve the second reading of the Middle School Elective Course Curriculum. Roll Call Vote: ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield; nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**B. Hire Varsity Volleyball Coach**

Moved by S. Howe, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education hire Jocelyn Thomas as the Head Varsity Volleyball Coach per the recommendation of Athletic Director Greg Pscodna. Roll Call Vote: ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield; nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**C. Accept Resignation**

Moved by B. Fifield, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Scott Cousineau as the High School Assistant Principal. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**D. Accept Resignation**

Moved by S. Howe, supported by J.W. Stewart that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Laura Fenger as a Middle School Teacher. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: D. Cowing, S. Howe, E. Isham, D. Maynard, M. Crawl, J.W. Stewart & B. Fifield, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Isham, Secretary  
Leslie Public Schools