

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Meeting
Monday, February 9, 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: Rob DeSmith
 Jim Dell
 Casey Sterle
 Scott Powers
 Travis McComb
 Carol Franz
 Kristen Hawkins

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:
None.

February 9th through the 15th is Michigan School Principals Week. Supt. Manthei presented Scott Powers, Scott Cousineau, Carol Franz and Jim Dell with gift cards showing the Board's appreciation for the important job they do. Woodworth Elementary School Principal Jim Dell was recently named MEMSPA Region 8 Principal of the Year.

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by M. Crowl to approve the February 9, 2015 agenda; Minutes of January 12, 2015 annual organizational meeting; Minutes of January 28, 2015 regular/workshop meeting; Schedule B Resignations:

CONSENT AGENDA

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Jon Thelen as Varsity Volleyball Coach;
Tasia Wambaugh as JV Volleyball Coach;
The bills in the amount of \$418,501.24 be approved
for payment as presented; Pcard Statements (December
2014 and January 2015). Vote: ayes 7, nays 0,
absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

School Law Notes; ISD Board Briefs; an
e-mail from a parent; and a voice mail
from an unidentified caller were distributed
as informational items.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

1) Early Childhood Recruitment/Enrollment Process

Early Childhood Teacher Casey Sterle
gave a history of the growth in numbers of
children in preschool programs (GSRP and
Head Start). Leslie Public Schools has one
of the largest early childhood programs in
Ingham County. She outlined the criteria for
enrollment in these programs. Currently, 85
families are being served by early childhood
funding. The ISD has provided a banner and
several posters to advertise their central
location for applications and a help desk to
answer questions.

2) Quarterly Report on Focus School

Leslie Middle School Principal Carol Franz
gave a Power Point presentation showing
continued monitoring data for the bottom
30 students and the superintendent's
challenge students. AIMSWeb data was shared
along with numbers of office referrals.
Homework issues were discussed. Data will
be reviewed at the end of the second trimester
to regroup Prime Time interventions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1) Enrollment

Supt. Jeff Manthei reported that
enrollment is 1,401 as of Feb. 5, 2015.
This number includes students in
Ingham Virtual, GSRP and drive-ins.

2) Superintendent Goals 2015
A list of talking points
was distributed to Board members for
discussion at the Feb. 25th workshop.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by M. Crowl
to hire Anthony Foster for the position of
Middle School Counselor per the recommendation
of Middle School Principal Carol Franz.
Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0.
Motion carried.

**HIRE MIDDLE
SCHOOL
COUNSELOR**

Moved by M. Crowl, supported by J.W. Stewart
that the Board of Education hire Rebecca
Scofield as Drama Advisor (high school
play) per the recommendation of High School
Principal Scott Powers. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0,
absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**HIRE DRAMA
ADVISOR**

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by T. Carroll
that the Board of Education increase Supt.
Manthei's salary by 2.5% effective July 1,
2015. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0,
abstention 0. Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT
SALARY**

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by T. Carroll
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 8:25 p.m.

The Board entered Closed Session at 8:30 p.m.

Moved by D. Maynard, supported by J.W. Stewart
that the Board of Education re-enter regular

OPEN SESSION

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Session at 8:48 p.m. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0,
absent 1 (E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion
carried.

Vice President Carroll adjourned the meeting
at 8:56 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary L. Crowl". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned centrally on the page, below the typed name.

Mary Crowl, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools