

LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Minutes
Regular Board/Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, May 20, 2015
6:15 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

CALL MEETING

A Regular Board/Workshop 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 6:17 p.m.

Members present: Eric Isham
Tim Carroll
Mary Cowl
Deann Maynard
John Wayne Stewart
Bud Fifield
James Wood (arrived at 6:21 p.m.)

Members absent:

Administrator(s)
present: Jeff Manthei, Superintendent
Others: Scott Powers
Rob DeSmith
George Manson
Cindy Farley

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT:
None.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:
Moved by D. Maynard, supported by J.W. Stewart the Board of Education approve the General Fund Budget Report and Food Service Fund Budget Report as of 4/30/15. Vote: ayes 6, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 1 (M. Cowl). Motion carried.

BUDGET REPORTS

Moved by J.W. Stewart, supported by B. Fifield the Board of Education approve the First Reading of the NEOLA Bylaws and Policies of the Leslie Public School District Board of Education. Vote: ayes 7, nays 0, absent 0, abstention 0. Motion carried.

**NEOLA POLICIES-
FIRST READING**

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Special Education Director Rob DeSmith compared the different models of special education services provided to students. Only teacher consultant services are provided at the elementary school. Middle school and high school utilize both the teacher consultant and resource room models. An example of state aid funding using the two models was provided to board members.

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION/
TEACHER
CONSULTANT**

High School Resource Teacher George Manson discussed the workplace readiness program (Microcomputer Evaluation of Careers and Academics) used for the certificate program. This program provides soft skills necessary in obtaining and keeping a job. It uses a multi-media format and is web-based. Leslie Public Schools was chosen to pilot this program.

**WORKPLACE
READINESS
PROGRAM**

State Reporting/Data Specialist Cindy Farley explained how score card data is calculated using MEAP scores, students who were provisionally proficient, students who showed growth proficiency, multi-year averaging and Safe Harbor.

**MEAP SCORES/
SCORE CARD
DATA**

Ms. Farley shared highlights of a presentation she gave recently at the Michigan Pupil Accounting and Attendance Association Conference regarding data collection and state reporting.

**MICHIGAN PUPIL
ACCOUNTING
PRESENTATION**

Supt. Manthei reported that the visitor-side bleachers are about 98% completed. Trustee James Wood offered the possibility of adding bleachers to the sinking fund ballot issue. This will be a discussion item at a future workshop.

**BLEACHER
DISCUSSION**

Three candidates were interviewed for the Business Manager position. Supt. Manthei will proceed with a plan to re-structure the business office personnel.

**BUSINESS OFFICE
STRUCTURE**

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Board President Eric Isham suggested that Mary Crowl hand out diplomas at this year's graduation. Discussion ensued about proper attire for staff, students and board members at the graduation ceremony. Consensus that board members will wear formal clothing and discuss unified attire for next year's graduation at a later date.

**GRADUATION/
DIPLOMAS**

Moved by D. Maynard, 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 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 9:10 p.m.

The Board entered Closed Session at 9:15 p.m.

Moved by M. Crowl, 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 (E. Isham), abstention 0. Motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

Vice President Carroll adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Crowl, Secretary
Leslie Public Schools