LESLIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

Regular Board/Workshop Meeting Wednesday, August 26, 2015

6:00 p.m. - Leslie High School Board Room

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 6:00 p.m.

CALL MEETING

Members present:

Eric Isham
Tim Carroll
Mary Crowl
Deann Maynard
James Wood

Members absent:

Bud Fifield

John Wayne Stewart

Administrator(s)

present:

Jeff Manthei, Superintendent

Others:

Scott Powers Anita Strong Carol Franz Jim Dell

Tucker Surbrook

Pledge of Allegiance given.

COMMENTS AND/CONCERNS OF CITIZENS PRESENT: None.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:
Moved by T. Carroll, supported by J. Wood
that the Board of Education approve the
General Fund Budget Report and Food Service
Fund Budget Report as of 8/22/15. Vote: ayes 5,
nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield, J.W. Stewart).
Motion carried.

BUDGET REPORTS

Moved by M. Crowl, supported by T. Carroll that the Board of Education hire Margaret Wagner as Head Varsity Volleyball Coach per the recommendation of Athletic Director Scott Cousineau. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield, J.W. Stewart). Motion carried.

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Moved by D. Maynard, supported by T. Carroll that the Board of Education hire Erica Willard as 8th grade Volleyball Coach per the recommendation of Middle School Athletic Director Tom Shafer. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield, J.W. Stewart). Motion carried.

HIRE 8TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL COACH

Moved by M. Crowl, supported by J. Wood that the Board of Education hire Tucker Surbrook as High School/Middle School Health/Physical Education/Credit Recovery teacher per the recommendation of High School Principal Scott Powers. Vote: ayes 5, nays 0, absent 2 (B. Fifield, J.W. Stewart). Motion carried.

HIRE HS/MS
HEALTH/PE/
CREDIT
RECOVERY
TEACHER

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the process of hiring long-term subs (assignment longer than 2-3 weeks). The three principals outlined how this process works in their respective building. Consensus of board members was to post these positions for a minimum of three days so that the best qualified person is placed in these positions.

LONG-TERM SUBS (SUB SHORTAGES)

Regarding sub shortages, Secretary M. Crowl repeated her idea to hire three full-time subs in the district. President Isham said the board will look at next year's budget for this possibility.

HIRING PROCEDURES

Supt. Manthei explained that hiring procedures for support staff are contractual obligations. Interviewing prospective teachers is usually done by a committee. The posting process was discussed. Consensus was that job openings be posted for a minimum of three days and that there is a consistent process.

A hiring procedure is being created and will be shared with the Board at a later date.

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Discussion took place regarding the olde English "L" on athletic clothing/hats and the official logo on letterhead and signs. Consensus was that the official logo will be used on district-purchased supplies(letterhead, signs, etc.) and the olde English "L" or the official logo will be used on athletic clothing.

OLDE ENGLISH

Supt. Manthei gave an overview of the research currently being done to create a district newsletter. With a new logo and a new name, the purpose of a district newsletter was discussed. Articles and photos will be submitted by administrators and teachers. Superintendent's office will facilitate the production, printing and mailing. The first issue is tentatively planned for January 2016.

NEWSLETTER

Supt. Manthei will send an e-mail communication next week inviting community members to a campaign committee meeting. The tentative dates are Sept. 14 or Sept. 15. A chairperson and co-chairperson will be named at that meeting. More bus tours of the district are planned.

SINKING FUND DISCUSSION

President Isham adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Crowl, Secretary Leslie Public Schools

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