



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 24, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Harry L. Wheeler Community Center an Administrative Offices, located at 24076 F.V. Pankow Boulevard, Clinton Township, Michigan.

**A. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call**

Mr. Lipski called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Present: Mr. Adam Lipski, Vice President  
Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary  
Mrs. Amelia Servial, Treasurer  
Mr. John Da Via, Trustee  
Mr. Al Doss, Trustee  
Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent  
Mrs. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction  
Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
Ms. Rochelle Gauthier, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations  
Ms. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education  
Ms. Laura Holbert, Director for Elementary Education  
Mr. Donald Gratton, Director for Operations  
Mr. Brandon Streng, Director for Technology  
Mr. Drake Okie, Director for Athletics  
Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent  
Employees and Patrons of the District

**B. Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve the April 24, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented with the addition of a Closed Session for an Employee Matter and Negotiations.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion carried.

**C. Presentations**

Mr. Okie acknowledged Aydin Wagner, L'Anse Creuse School Student, who placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the State for Wrestling.

Mr. Okie recognized the L'Anse Creuse High School – North Cheer Team on their recent accomplishments of placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the District Championship, placing 6<sup>th</sup> in the State and

accomplishing the highest ranking in L'Anse Creuse High School – North's history. Mr. Edoff presented the team with a certificate and congratulated them on their success.

Dr. Dixon recognized the following teachers for being nominated for this year's Teacher of the Year program:

- Chandler Missig
- Jodi Rodgers
- Mary Doppke
- Gina Nowicki
- Leslie Siefert
- Keith Weiland

Mr. Lipski called a break from 6:44 – 6:53 p.m.

**D. Hearing of School District Patrons**

Mrs. Ross read the *Addressing the Board Guidelines* for the public.

Mr. Jody Leskinski, parent in the district, thanked the Board and Superintendent for recent community involvement.

**E. Consent Agenda**

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve the following Consent Agenda items as presented:

- E.1. Budget Report
- E.2. Quarterly Budget Update
- E.3. Payment Registers
- E.4. Bid Award Recommendations
- E.5. Purchases
- E.6. Overtime Report
- E.7. Summary of Investments
- E.8. Summary of Wire Transfers
- E.9. Accounts Payable Check Register Schedule
- E.10. Employment Recommendations
- E.11. Student Travel Requests
- E.12.a. March 20, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- E.12.b. March 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Discussion followed.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Sellers, Servial, Da Via, Ross, Doss, Lipski

No: None

Motion carried.

**F. Superintendent's Office**

- F.1.** Mr. Edoff provided a Strategic Plan update and stated that the district is working to form themed groups with interested participants. He shared that each group will have three meetings and will be seeking community input.

**G. Curriculum & Instruction**

Ms. Montpas provided an update on the Continuity of Learning Plan for the district. She stated that as part of the requirement for reconfirmation of teaching and learning and continued COVID-19 funding she is providing a reconfirmation of in-person instructional delivery for all students in the district.

**H. Business Office**

- H.1.** Motion by Mrs. Sellers, supported by Mr. Doss, to approve the recommendation to extend the Nichols Paper and Supply Co. contract for the 2023-2024 fiscal year as presented for district custodial supplies.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion carried.

**I. Support Services Office**

- I.1.** Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve entering into a contract with Fantasee Lighting for the lighting upgrade at the John R. Armstrong Performing Arts Center in the amount of \$165,000 with a \$8,000 contingency for any unknown circumstances with the project. The total project amount being \$173,000 as presented.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion carried.

**J. Technology Department**

- J.1.** Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the bid award for Wireless Network Electronics to People Driven Technology in the amount of \$805,402.33 contingent on receiving E-Rate Funds in the amount of \$483,241.40, as presented.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All  
No: None  
Motion carried.

**K. Other Matters**

- K.1.** Mr. Edoff shared the process for the passing of the MISD Budget Resolution for the Board's information. Mr. Doss shared information from the MISD Budget meeting he attended on behalf of the Board.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, support by Mrs. Ross, to approve the MISD Budget Resolution for the next fiscal year as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Edoff shared that he was just informed the Teachers Association unit approved the tentative 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school calendars this evening. He asked that the Board consider approving these calendars as presented as well.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 District Calendars as presented.

Discussion followed.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Servial, Ross, Lipski, Doss, Da Via, Sellers

No: None

Motion carried.

**L. Hearing of District Patrons Follow-up**

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

**M. Board Member Comment**

Mr. Sellers shared that he attended the Boat Regatta at the HSN and thanked the Physics teachers for their work in bringing back this event.

Mr. Da Via congratulated the students who were honored as part of the Macomb County Dream Team and being part of the top 20 academic scholars in the county. He also shared that he was pleased to see that three of the teachers he had observed while he was principal were honored tonight.

Mr. Doss congratulated the L'Anse Creuse High School – North Cheer Team on their success. He also congratulated all of the teachers recognized for teacher of the year.

Mrs. Ross shared that she attended the Macomb County Academic Banquet and there were 104 students honored for their academics and it was a great moment for the district. She also recognized the 4 students who were honored as part of the Macomb County Dream Team of Top 20 Scholars, and the teachers who were selected as nominees for Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Lipski thanked Mr. Okie for honoring the athletes at the Board meeting and stated he appreciates the effort in sharing these accomplishments with the Board.

**N. Closed Session – Employee Matter and Negotiations**

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Da Via, to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section H(h,c) of the Open Meetings Act for an Employee Matter and Negotiations at 7:19 p.m.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Servial, Da Via, Sellers, Lipski, Doss, Ross

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Ross, to reconvene to Regular Session at 8:40 p.m.

Yes: Doss, Ross, Lipski, Da Via, Sellers, Servial

No: None

Motion carried.

**O. Adjournment**

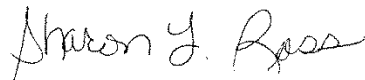
Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Da Via, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon L. Ross, Secretary

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