



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 27, 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

Mrs. Dubay called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President
 Mr. Adam Lipski, Vice President
 Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary
 Mr. John Da Via, Trustee
 Mr. Al Doss, Trustee
 Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mrs. Amelia Servial, Treasurer

Also present: 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
 Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant
 Employees and Patrons of the District

B. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the March 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented:

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

C. Hearing of School District Patrons

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

Ms. Kristen Carson, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding a curriculum concern in middle school.

Ms. Sandra Hernden, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding library books in the schools.

D. Department Updates

The following departments provided informational updates for the Board:

- Food & Nutrition, Rochelle Gauthier
- Business office, Rochelle Gauthier
- Curriculum Department, Laura Holbert
- Special Education, Nancy Supanich
- Human Resources, Greg Dixon
- Technology, Brandon Streng
- Support Services & Operations, Don Gratton
- Athletics, Drake Okie

E. Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Da Via, 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. February 27, 2023 COTW/Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

F. Business Office

- F.1.** Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Doss, to approve the Alignment System Bid Award Recommendation to Equipment Distributors for approximately \$32,759.75 as presented.

Yes:

No: None

Motion carried.

F.2. Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mr. Da Via, to approve the voting precinct resolutions allowing the use of district facilities during public elections for the years 2024 through 2028 with the following townships:

- Chesterfield Township: Joseph M. Carkenord Elementary School, Green Elementary School, and Francis A. Higgins Elementary School
- Clinton Township: Wheeler Center and Tenniswood Elementary School
- Harrison Township: L’Anse Creuse Middle School – South, Emma V. Lobbestael Elementary School, Marie C. Graham Elementary School, and South River Elementary School
- Macomb Township: Atwood Elementary School and L’Anse Creuse Middle School – North

Discussion followed.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

F.3. Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Lipski to approve the recommendation for the 2023 Summer Tax Collection Rates as follows:

Macomb, Clinton Chesterfield and Harrison Townships-collect 100% of the 2023 summer taxes at the rate of \$4.00 per a parcel and account for and deliver a prorated portion of all interest earned on taxes collected on behalf of the district.

The district will continue to bill the MISD and Macomb Community College for their portion of the tax collection fee for each township.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

G. Support Services Office

G.1. Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Ross, to approve the purchase of four off-lease buses from Hoekstra Transportation for \$75,830.00 each with a total of \$303,320,00, as presented.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

H. Technology Department

H.1. Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the E-Rate Funds in the amount up to \$681,151.69 as presented for future Fiber Maintenance, Firewall License and Wireless Network Electronics projects.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

I. Other Matters

I.1. Mrs. Dubay provided the board assignments for the following 2023 Committees:

- Spring Board Workshop
- Summer Board Workshop
- Fall Board Workshop
- Winter Board Workshop
- Committee of the Whole Ad Hoc
- Policy & Procedures
- Capital Outlay Ad Hoc
- District Coordinating Council (DCC)
- District School Improvement Team (DSIT)/District Provided Professional Development (DPPD)
- Parent Advisory
- Reinstatement Review (Expulsion)
- Student Advisory
- Wellness
- Community Action Coalition
- Macomb County School Boards Association Legislative
- Macomb County School Boards Association Meetings
- Macomb Intermediate School District Biennial Election
- Macomb Intermediate School District Budget

I.2. The Board held discussion regarding a recent Policy Committee meeting and recommended revisions/additions to Board Operating Procedures.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Ross to approve the recommended changes to Section 2.0 *Board Functions* of the Board Operating Procedures regarding check registry as presented.

Discussion followed.

Yes: Dubay, Ross, Da Via, Doss, Sellers
No: Lipski
Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mr. Sellers to approve the recommended changes to Section 5.1 *Evaluation of the Superintendent* of the Board Operating Procedures as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve recommended changes to 4.4.2. Persons Addressing the Board. The motion failed for lack of support. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the following revised language to 4.4.2. *Persons Addressing the Board* of the Board Operating Procedures:

If you wish to state a complain against a Board member, employee or student, an initial allegation is permitted. Thereafter, the affected individual may request that further discussion takes place in a closed session (Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act). If the affected individual is not present, a written statement may be submitted to the Board or the public comment will be rescheduled to a board meeting at which the affected individual will be in attendance.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Doss, Ross, Dubay, Lipski, Da Via

No: Sellers

Motion carried.

- I.3.** Motion by Mr. Lipski, supported by Mrs. Ross to approve the 2023-2024 Superintendent Goals as presented.

Discussion followed.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

- I.4.** The Board held discussion regarding obtaining MASB and NSBA memberships.

J. Hearing of District Patrons Follow-up

Ms. Sandra Hernden, parent in the district addressed the Board regarding the National School Board Association.

K. Closed Session – Negotiations

Motion by Mr. Lipski, supported by Mrs. Ross, to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section H(c) of the Open Meetings Act for Negotiations at 8:20 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Da Via, to reconvene to Regular Session at 9:16 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

L. Board Member Comment

Mr. Da Via acknowledged the staff that hosted the Career Night at the Pankow Center. He shared that 75 vendors/businesses participated to help students with different career paths.

Mrs. Ross addressed the library books public comment earlier in the meeting. She also commented on the discussion held about the MASB and NSBA memberships and shared her experience and knowledge on the purpose of the organizations and how they benefit the district.

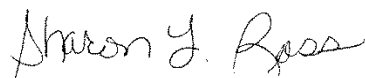
Mrs. Dubay shared her Charity Week T-shirt and stated how proud she is of the buildings who worked to raise money throughout the district. She shared that Charity Week raised approximately \$20,000.

M. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mr. Sellers, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon L. Ross, Secretary
Board of Education
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