



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 20, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Committee of the Whole on Monday, November 20, 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 Committee of the Whole to order at 6:36 p.m.

**Roll Call**

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

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

**B. Hearing of School District Patrons**

Ms. Kristin Carsen, addressed the Board regarding the community survey and a future Bond Proposal.

**C. Presentations**

- C.1.** Ms. Kelsey Birkmeier, from Banach, Banach & Cassidy Inc., presented feedback and data from the facility and district project survey distributed to the community, parents and staff. Discussion followed.
- C.2.** Mr. Edoff provided a Facility Assessment Update regarding future projects and a future bond proposal being considered. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Dubay called a break from 8:15 – 8:27 p.m.

**D. Department Updates**

The Curriculum, Business, Human Resources, Support Services, and Technology Departments provided an informational update for the Board on the progress of work and projects occurring within their department. Discussion followed.

**E. Superintendent's Report**

- E.1.** Mr. Edoff shared that schools are getting ready for holiday events and celebrations are being prepared. He encouraged everyone take an opportunity to visit the schools as a reminder of the positive experiences occurring throughout the district. Discussion followed.

**F. Curriculum and Instruction Office**

- F.1.** Ms. Montpas provided Student Travel Requests that will be presented to the Board for approval at the November 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

**G. Business & Operations Office**

- G.1.** Mr. Edoff provided information on the Consent Agenda Items that will be presented for approval at the November 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

- G.2.** Mr. Edoff provided information regarding a Resolution to Collect the 2024 Summer Taxes that will be presented for approval at the November 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

**H. Human Resources Office**

- H.1.** Dr. Dixon provided information regarding the Employment Recommendations that will be presented for approval at the November 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

**I. Support Services Office**

- I.1.** Mr. Gratton provided information regarding a recommendation to purchase additional Nightlock Devices in the amount of \$25,000 utilizing Safety and Security grant funds, that will be presented for approval at the November 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

- I.2.** Mr. Gratton provided information regarding a Critical Incident Mapping Recommendation in the amount of \$62,972.00 utilizing 97D grant funds, that will be presented for approval at the November 27, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

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

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

**K. Board Member Comment**

Mr. Sellers shared with the Board that he and Aaron Glefke, tennis player recognized from L'Anse Creuse High School – North during the October Board Meeting, did in fact challenge each other to a tennis match and Aaron won.

Mr. Da Via shared that former L'Anse Creuse student from Class of 1992, Frank Wojtal, passed away due to an accident recently.

Mrs. Dubay addressed the need to move the December Regular Board Meeting and also set a Special Board Meeting for the Superintendent's Evaluation. The Board selected November 30, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. for the Special Board Meeting and December 15, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. for the Regular Meeting.

Mrs. Dubay addressed the need to convene a Board Policy committee meeting to discuss a few items and the policy members will look to set a meeting soon.

Mrs. Dubay shared that she attended the MASB CBA 101 recently with board members John Da Via and Al Doss. This CBA class covers Fundamentals of School Board Service.

Mr. Sellers shared his concerns with holding the December Regular Meeting earlier in the day on December 15, 2023.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Servial to allow voting at the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

**L. Closed Session – Pursuant to Open Meetings Act Section 8(c) – Negotiations and Employee Matter**

Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Sellers, to move into Closed Session pursuant to the OMA Section 8(a,c) for Negotiations and an Employee Matter (Time: 9:23 p.m.)

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Servial, to reconvene to Committee of the Whole at 11:06 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

**M. Adjournment**

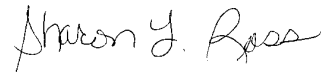
Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Doss, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon L. Ross".

Sharon L. Ross, Secretary  
Board of Education  
SLR:nt