

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE/REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 18, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Committee of the Whole/Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024 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. Adam Lipski, President, called the Committee of the Whole/Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent
Ms. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Ms. Rochelle O'Malley, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations
Ms. Laura Holbert, Director for Elementary Education
Mr. Donald Gratton, Director for Operations
Mr. Brandon Streng, Director for Technology
Ms. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education
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 Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Dubay, to approve the March 18, 2024 Committee of the Whole/ Regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

C. Presentations

- C.1.a. Mr. Edoff recognized students from the Middle School Central Junior Honor Society for their recent work with and donation of toys to Bottomless Toy Chest. The students and families wrapped 291 toys and donated over 60 toys to children in hospitals. Mr. Edoff and Mr. Doss presented the students and school with a certificate of appreciate for their efforts.
- C.1.b. Mr. Edoff recognized the L'Anse Creuse High School North Cheer Team for back-to-back MAC Red Championship and District Champions. He also acknowledged them for playing 5th at the State Finals. Mr. Edoff and Mr. Doss presented the students with a certificate of excellence for their efforts.

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- **C.1.c.** Mr. Edoff recognized Drew Kozel, student from L'Anse Creuse High School North for achieving the all-time Basketball scoring record at the school, finishing with 1,277 career points, breaking the records for career three pointers, career rebounds and most points earned in a single game. Mr. Edoff and Mr. Doss presented Drew with a certificate of excellence for his accomplishments.
- **C.1.d.** Mr. Edoff recognized Brandon Gordon, student at L'Anse Creuse High School for placing 2nd at the Wrestling Regional tournament and advancing himself to State Finals on March 2. Mr. Edoff and Mr. Doss presented Brandon with a certificate of excellence for their efforts.

Mr. Doss congratulated all of the students for their accomplishments and stated that this is how you build pride in a school district. He thanked everyone for their hard work.

Mr. Lipski called a break from 6:42-6:50 p.m.

D. Hearing of School District Patrons

Mr. Bobbie Williams, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding the SACC program.

Mr. Jody Lesinski, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding tennis courts and transparency.

E. Consent Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mrs. Dubay, 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 21, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
 - E.12.b. February 26, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Servial, Dubay, DaVia, Lipski, Doss, Ross No: Sellers Motion carried.

F. Superintendent's Report

F.1 Mr. Edoff provide a district update and shared that the Charity Week event was a great success with the activities primarily ran by students. He stated that the event is based on raising money for charities and the power of what students can do and their abilities were on display throughout the week. He is looking forward to the end of the year activities and celebrating the students and their successes.

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F.2. Mr. Edoff presented information on the request from L'Anse Creuse High School to have their track installed with blue material at an approximate cost of \$50,000.00. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Servial, to reject the request to have the new track at L'Anse Creuse High School installed with blue material. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

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

G. Curriculum and Instruction Office

G.1. 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. Discussion followed.0

H. Human Resources Office

H.1. Mr. Dixon provided information on a letter of agreement for the TPOAM Food and Nutrition employee group.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Doss, to approve the letter of agreement with the TPOAM Food and Nutrition employee group as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

I. Technology Department

I.1. Mr. Streng presented information on a UPS backup system for the technology data center that is needed.

Motion by Mrs. Dubay, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the purchase of one 30kVA Liebert UPS System through Inacomp TSG in the amount of \$37,500 as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

J. Other Matters

- J.1. Mr. Edoff presented the Second Reading of the following Policy Updates for the Board's Consideration:
 - Article VII. Students Section 12. Student Discrimination and Harassment
 - Article VIII. Curriculum and Instruction Section 18. Non-discrimination
 - Article X. Personnel
 - o Section 12. Staffing, Assignment, Layoff and Recall of Tenured Teachers
 - Section 13. Staffing, Assignment, Placement, Layoff and Recall of All Non-Tenured Teaching Staff
 - Section 14. Performance Evaluations

• Section 28. Discrimination and Equal Employment

Discussion followed.

Motion by Mrs. Dubay, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the Second Reading of the Policy Updates as presented with the removal of the Artificial Intelligence Use Policy. Discussion followed.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. DaVia, to approve the Second Reading of Article XI. Facilities and Operations – Section 14. Generative Artificial Intelligence Use Policy Recommendation as presented. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Sellers, DaVia, Doss, Lipski, Ross, Servial No: Dubay Motion carried.

- **J.2.** Mr. Edoff presented information from the Board Policy Committee for a First Reading of the following policy and operating procedures additions:
 - Article XI. Facilities and Operations, Section 19 Logo Design and Development
 - Board Operating Procedures, 4.0 Meetings 4.2.6 Student Recognitions

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the First Reading of Policy and Board Operating Procedure additions as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

J.3. Mr. Sellers addressed the board and administration regarding concerns with School Age Childcare (SACC) Registration procedures, communication, and the process for signing up for SACC. Discussion followed.

K. Hearing of School District Patrons Follow Up

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

L. Board Member Comment

Mrs. Ross reminded everyone of the Macomb County School Board Association meeting in Roseville on March 26 and encouraged everyone to attend.

Mr. Sellers shared that he recently attended the DECA conference as a chaperone with Anchor Bay school district, and shared how he witnessed students from different schools in Macomb County cheering and supporting each other. He is proud of this group and the real-life experiences it offers to students, and is looking forward to wishing them well for nationals.

Mr. Doss addressed the possibility of providing financial support to the DECA students for their travel to nationals. Discussion followed.

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Mr. DaVia shared that Meredith Beard was named a finalist for the Michigan Principal of the Year and congratulated her for the recognition.

Mrs. Ross address the board regarding funding for the DECA students, and expressed concern regarding setting a precedence for future groups.

Mr. Lipski shared that his daughter attended the StarBase Program at Selfridge Air National Base and loved the experience. He stated that he appreciates this opportunity for students.

Mr. Lipski commended the board members for the tough, quality conversations that took place during the meeting. He also thanked the community for sharing their ideas and thoughts with the board and for their support.

M. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Dubay, supported by Mr. Sellers, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Y. Ross

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