

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS  
REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION  
December 8, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 6:00 p.m. in the Lewiston Media Center.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** Chris Paffi, Mike Vogt, Scott Mathewson, Frank Claeys, Ursula Owens, Wendy Huston, Linc Campbell (arrived at 6:13 p.m.)

**Absent:** None

**Administration:** Superintendent Rick Holt, High School Principal Curt Chrencik, Lewiston Principal Cynthia Kievit, Johannesburg Principal Dennis Keck

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Hearing no objections or corrections, President Vogt approved the minutes of the November 10 regular meeting and special meetings of November 12, 19 and 24, 2014 as written.

Ayes: All Motion carried

**MANIFEST OF BILLS- ALL FUNDS**

Motion was made by Owens and supported by Claeys to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$468,657.27.

Ayes: All Motion carried

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The internal account reports were provided.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**BOARD INFORMATION REPORT**

None

**BUDGET UPDATE**

The current revenue and expenditures to date were provided. Additional revenues were received through TRIG Grant rebates in the amount of \$8,000. The NEMSCA Preschool Program housed in the Lewiston School will provide \$10,000 in rental revenue.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Principals**

Mr. Keck reported that the backpack program has doubled in size. Twenty-one students received recognition for their writing talents through Creative Communications. The pilot testing for spring assessments was successful. Practice tests will be available which will further allow the students to get more comfortable with the new on-line procedures.

Mrs. Kievit reported that the Lewiston School is compliant with the Health Department immunizations. She reported on a new performance evaluation tool requirement that must be supported with evidence as part of school Improvement reporting. The behavior trait for December is “caring”.

Mr. Chrencik reported that he and Mr. Keck met with Grades 7-12 to discuss choices students may have to make regarding drugs and alcohol. The feedback was very positive. The high school will focus on improvement of math scores with the new aide position created with At-Risk funding. The Student Assistance Team meets once a month to monitor students who struggle. An update on the Early College program was provided. The Hats for Heroes Day raised over \$400 for veterans.

**Superintendent**

Mr. Holt reviewed the upcoming events. High School PE Teacher John Bush has submitted his letter of retirement resignation. Mr. Holt attended an informative presentation on “Financing Projects with Bonds vs. Sinking Funds”. A workshop will be planned for discussion. The Lewiston School internet speed continues to be addressed with an upgrade planned for mid-December. A facilities analysis will take place over Christmas Break at both buildings. Montmorency County Sheriff Department is applying for a special grant for security that would be used in the schools.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon Agren asked about the electrical work at the Johannesburg Building. Shari Axford suggested sending school calendars to people who are retired.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Snow Plowing Bid Recommendation**

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Campbell to accept the bid of LakePointe Construction for the 2014-15 snow plowing at an hourly rate of \$40/hr per truck and \$75/hr for loader.

Ayes: All Motion carried

### **Montmorency County Road Commission Winter Maintenance Contract**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to approve the renewal of the existing Winter Maintenance Contract between Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools and the Montmorency County Road Commission through December 31, 2015.

Ayes: All Motion carried

### **Audited Fund Equity Surplus Payments: Department Heads/Managers**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Paffi to approve a one-time fund equity payment of \$1,018.23 for Transportation/Maintenance Director John Sewell, Food Service Director Catherine Kierczynski, and Executive Assistant Carol Havrilla.

Ayes: All Motion carried

### **NEOLA Policy Updates**

**#1420 School Administrator Evaluation; #3220 Professional Staff Evaluation; #7540.02 District Web Page, #7540.03 Student Education Technology, #7540.04 Staff Education Technology, #5830 Student Fund-Raising, #850 Food Services, #8510 Wellness, #2370.01 On-Line/Blended Learning, #8325 Receipt Legal Documents, #8330 Student Records, #9880 High School Diplomas for Veterans**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Owens to accept the recommended updates to the NEOLA Policies Vol. 29 No. 1 as presented.

Ayes: All Motion carried

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Drug Prevention Efforts**

Mr. Holt would like to hold a board workshop to develop a comprehensive drug prevention program which would include the consequences of violating board policy. A meeting was scheduled for January 15 at 6:00 p.m. in Johannesburg.

### **Board Term Ending**

Superintendent Holt and Members of the Board thanked Chris Paffi for serving on the board the last 14 months. His dedication to the district is appreciated and will be missed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

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Michael D. Vogt, President

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Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Carol Havrilla for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS  
SPECIAL MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION  
December 29, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 9:00 a.m. in Lewiston Media Center.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Michael Vogt, Scott Mathewson, Wendy Huston, Ursula Owens, Linc Campbell

**Absent:** Chris Paffi, Frank Claeys

**Administration:** Superintendent Rick Holt, Johannesburg K-8 Principal Dennis Keck, High School Principal Curt Chrencik

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**REINSTATEMENT HEARINGS**

The meeting was called to order to consider reinstatement recommendations for Students 14/15-04, 14/15-05 and 14/15-06. The hearings were held in a single, open session at the request of the parents. Each student was being recommended reinstatement from long term suspensions issued on November 19, 2014 (Student 14/15-04) and November 24, 2014 (Students 14/15-05 and 14/15-06).

**1. Student 14/15-04**

Principal Chrencik provided the Board and the parents with a summary of the conditions for consideration of reinstatement and the student's successful completion of the requirements. A Student Contract Agreement was provided with expectations of attendance, behavior, academic and work ethics if reinstatement is granted.

Student 14-15/04 and parents were asked to offer statements regarding the reinstatement. Student 14-15/04 offered a statement and appeal for consideration of reinstatement. Discussion among Student 14-15/04, Superintendent Holt, and members of the Board followed.

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Mathewson to reinstate Student 14/15-04 to school effective January 5, 2015 with a signed Student Contract Agreement.

Ayes: All

Motion carried

**2. Student 14/15-06**

Principal Chrencik provided the Board and the parents with a summary of the conditions for consideration of reinstatement and the student's successful completion of the requirements. A Student Contract Agreement was provided with expectations of attendance, behavior, academic and work ethics if reinstatement is granted.

Student 14-15/06 and parents were asked to offer statements regarding the reinstatement. Student 14-15/06 offered a statement and appeal for consideration of reinstatement. Discussion among Student 14-15/06, Superintendent Holt, and members of the Board followed.

Motion was made by Mathewson and supported by Campbell to reinstate Student 14/15-06 to school effective January 5, 2015 with a signed Student Contract Agreement.

Ayes: All

Motion carried

**3. Student 14/15-05**

Principal Chrencik provided the Board and the parents with a summary of the conditions for consideration of reinstatement and the student's successful completion of the requirements. A Student Contract Agreement was provided with expectations of attendance, behavior, academic and work ethics if reinstatement is granted.

Student 14-15/05 and parents were asked to offer statements regarding the reinstatement. Student 14-15/05 offered a statement and appeal for consideration of reinstatement. Discussion among Student 14-15/05, Superintendent Holt, and members of the Board followed.

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Owens to reinstate Student 14/15-05 to school effective January 5, 2015 with a signed Student Contract Agreement.

Ayes: All

Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Owens to adjourn the special meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Ayes: All      Motion carried

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Michael Vogt, Vice President

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Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Carol Havrilla for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary