

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS  
REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION  
March 12, 2018**

**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 Johannesburg Media Center.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present** Wendy Huston, Nancy Kussrow, Frank Claeys, Scott Mathewson, Mike Vogt, Ursula Owens, Linc Campbell (arrived at 6:02)

**Absent:** Superintendent Katy Xenakis-Makowski

**Administration:** High School Principal Curt Chrencik, Johannesburg Principal Nancy Odren, **Lewiston Principal Cyndie Kievit**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Hearing no objections or corrections, President Vogt approved the minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2018 as written.

Ayes: All Motion carried

**MANIFEST OF BILLS - ALL FUNDS**

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Owens to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$441,349.34

Ayes: All Motion carried

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter from a Lewiston School parent was shared by Cyndie Kievit. The letter commended the Lewiston School staff for their compassion and professionalism toward education and the wellbeing of students.

**BOARD INFORMATION REPORT**

None

**BUDGET UPDATE**

Year to date revenue and expenses for general fund and sinking fund were presented.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Facilities:** Lighting specialists attended the facilities meeting to discuss the benefits and cost savings associated with converting all lights to LED. The committee also discussed having the track resurfaced this year, quotes for this will be obtained this Spring. New signage for both Johannesburg and Lewiston buildings were also discussed, this includes signs at the roads as well as signs on the buildings.

**Personnel/Policy Committee:** Committee met to discuss current staffing to best utilize the assets already in place. Also talked about the staffing needs for 2018-2019, the special education numbers in the K-8 are expected to increase next year, working on a plan to accommodate those numbers as they move forward in our program.

**Finance:** Bill Melching, Finance Director has tendered his resignation. He plans to work with the district remotely until the end of April. Mrs. Makowski has discussed potentially sharing a new director with other schools within the COPESD. This position will be posted this month.

### **Principals**

Mrs. Odren and Mrs. Kievit reported that preparations are underway for state testing to begin after Spring Break. Kindergarten through Second Grade will take an Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmarks Test and Third through Eighth Graders will participate in MStep Testing. March is Reading Month, both schools have a superhero theme and have been participating in many activities and assemblies to encourage children to read. Mrs. Odren also discussed that plans for Kindergarten Round-up and 6<sup>th</sup> grade transition night are in progress. Camp Wolverine is closing this year, other options for a camp similar to this one are being explored.

Mr. Chrencik reported that Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> is National School Walk Out Day. The idea of this day is raise awareness for gun violence in schools. The high school and middle school have decided to hold an assembly during that time to talk about topics including tolerance, acceptance, patience and inclusion. Mr. Chrencik stated that 8<sup>th</sup> Grade night is scheduled for this week to help ease the transition for kids into high school in the fall. Alpena Community College will also be offering 4 satellite classes during the school day next year here at the school. Mr. Chrencik also discussed the Pyramid of Interventions and Supports utilized in the High School.

### **Superintendent**

Mrs. Makowski was unable to attend. Her report is included in the packet.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **2018 Summer Project Scope**

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Kussrow to approve the Summer Project Scope as presented by the Facilities committee.

Ayes: All Motion carried.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**NONE**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION: NEGOTIATIONS**

President Michael Vogt cancelled executive session due to Superintendent Makowski's absence.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Claeys and supported by Campbell to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

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Michael Vogt, President

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Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Kristan Lawes for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary