

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 9, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 6:01 p.m. in the Johannesburg-Lewiston High School Media Center.

ROLL CALL

Present Michael Vogt, , Ursula Owens, Scott Mathewson Nancy Kussrow, Linc Campbell, Frank Claeys, Wendy Huston

Absent: None

Administration: Superintendent Katy Xenakis-Makowski, High School Principal Curt Chrencik, Johannesburg Principal Dennis Keck, 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 April 11, 2016 as written.

Ayes: All Motion carried

MANIFEST OF BILLS- GENERAL FUND/ATHLETICS

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$412,132.06

Ayes: All Motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports were provided for each internal account.

CORRESPONDENCE

Cyndie Kievit, Cindy Bagnasco and Sharon Agren thanked the board for the stylus pen and calendar given for staff appreciation week. The JL 6th grade students sent a thank you for the board's contribution to the cost of 6th grade camp. The Potter family sent a thank you for the donation in memory of Dave Potter (Judy Wiegandt's brother in law). The Basinski family sent a thank you for the donation in memory of Walter Basinski (Katie Basinski's father in law). Mrs. Makowski shared a letter from Mike Radke, Director of MDE Office of Field Services, thanking the district for their hospitality and sharing of information during his site visit in April.

BOARD INFORMATION REPORT

Hot Lunch/Breakfast Program Report

Food Service Director, Cathy Kierczynski provided an update on the status of the Hot Lunch program. The program is projected to end the 2015-2016 school year with expenses over revenues due to increased sub costs, repairs to aging equipment and decreased sales revenue. The food service fund has an adequate fund balance to absorb the deficit. She reported on changes for the 2016-2017 school year including one service location in the Johannesburg building, increased entitlement dollars, and restructuring of staff. All three schools were recognized in the First Fuel School Breakfast Challenge for increasing participation in the breakfast program. A bronze medal was awarded to the Johannesburg Elementary Middle School and honorable mentions were awarded to the Lewiston Elementary and JL High School.

Class of 2017 Proposed Senior Class Activity

Mr. Chrencik presented on behalf of Alicia McVannel, Junior Class Sponsor. He reported that the junior class met to vote on options for a senior year activity. The class has decided on a 2-3 day trip to Ohio to include places such as Cedar Point, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and other activities. An agenda will be presented to the board for approval next year.

Class of 2018 Proposed Senior Class Activity

Mrs. Campbell, co-sponsor for the Class of 2018, reported that the class met and voted to participate in a short (3-4 day) trip for their senior class activity. The sponsors are hopeful for higher participation due to the trip being shorter, less expensive, and not occurring during Spring Break. The class is currently considering locations such as Boston or Chicago.

BUDGET UPDATE

General Fund revenues and expenditures were reported as of May 4, 2016.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Superintendent Makowski reported the committee reviewed the JLEA proposal presented during negotiations that will be discussed further during executive session. The committee discussed a plan of action for 2016-2017 including absorbing positions and completing RFPs for contracts. The committee discussed and agreed to move forward with purchasing a tower for Lewiston internet connectivity. This option is no longer viable due to the rejection of e-rate funding to assist with the cost. Other options and costs will be researched. The committee was provided information on the rate increases for staff insurance costs.

Principals

Mr. Chrencik reported on end of the year activities including School Work First breakfast, Relay for Life, Student Council, Prom, Senior Walk and luncheon. He introduced Orin Kierczynski, Co-Valedictorian, who reviewed his activities and accomplishments. Mr. Chrencik provided brief biographies for Hannah Donajkowski and Nick May as Co-Valedictorians and Logan Huff, Salutatorian for the Class of 2016.

Mr. Keck reported that MStep testing is successfully continuing with embargoed results available within the 48 hour window indicated by the state. Staff is using preliminary results to inform instruction and plan for 2016-2017. Elementary testing using Dibels and Illuminate continues under the guidance of Barb Kennedy. Grading expectations and report cards for grades K-3 are being reviewed for changes to these procedures to be implemented for the 2016-2017 school year. Kindergarten round up was successfully completed with 21 incoming Kindergarten students anticipated. Mr. Keck reported that the "Cardinal Retreat" will take place June 15-16, 2016 as an opportunity for staff to be trained in curriculum and assessment alignment.

Mrs. Kievit stated that the Lewiston elementary testing for MStep, Illuminate and Dibels was the same as previously reported by Mr. Keck. Lewiston Kindergarten round up was successfully completed with 23 incoming kindergarteners currently registered for 2016-2017. Mrs. Kievit congratulated Shari Axford, recipient of a \$2500 Set Seg grant for literacy bags. Mrs. Axford was one of ten statewide winners out of a pool of approximately 250 applications. The award will be presented during a press conference Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 1:00 pm and the board is invited to attend. Mrs. Kievit presented the K-8 handbook changes that she and Mr. Keck are recommending for the 2016-2017 school year. They are recommending adding language notifying parents that students arriving at the schools prior to 7:30 am will not be supervised.

Superintendent

Mrs. Makowski updated the board on the state requirements for superintendent evaluations. The Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) model was included in the board packet as the model the board will be trained to use for the 2016-2017 school year. Training will take place for the board in July funded by a grant. As part of the grant the administrators will also be trained in the use of the Thoughtful Classroom tool for teacher evaluation. Mrs. Makowski thanked the community for their support of the recent Special Education Millage Renewal. The passage was critical to our ability to provide necessary special education services. Negotiations with the JLEA will be discussed during executive session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ACTION ITEMS

COP 2016-2017 Budget Resolution

ISD BUDGET RESOLUTION

Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools, Michigan (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education of the District was held in the Johannesburg Elementary Library in the District, on the 9th day of May, 2016, at 6:00 o'clock in the pm.

The meeting was called to order by Michael Vogt, President.

Present: Michael Vogt, Ursula Owens, Scott Mathewson, Wendy Huston, Linc Campbell, Frank Claeys, Nancy Kussrow

Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Linc Campbell and supported by Ursula Owens.

WHEREAS:

1. Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended, requires the intermediate school board to submit its proposed budget not later than May 1 of each year to the board of each constituent district for review; and
2. Not later than June 1 of each year, the board of each constituent district shall review the proposed intermediate school district budget, shall adopt a board resolution expressing its support for or disapproval of the proposed intermediate school district budget, and shall submit to the intermediate school board any specific objections and proposed changes the constituent district board has to the budget.

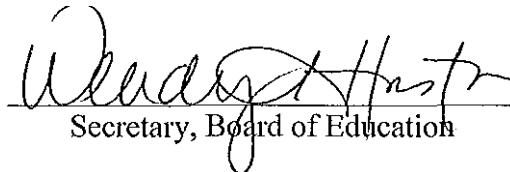
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The board of education has received and reviewed the proposed intermediate school district budget in accordance with Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended, and by the adoption of this resolution, expresses its support for the proposed intermediate school district budget.
2. The secretary of the board of education or his/her designee shall forward a copy of this resolution to the intermediate school board or its superintendent no later than June 1, 2016.
3. All resolutions insofar as they conflict with this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

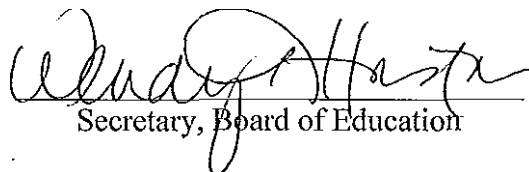
Ayes: Campbell, Owens, Vogt, Mathewson, Claeys, Huston, Kussrow

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted.


 Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting held on May 9, 2016, the original of which resolution is part of the Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976 OS 267, as amended.


 Secretary, Board of Education

Handbook Changes

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to approve the changes to the 2016-2017 handbook as presented.

Ayes: All Motion carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Evaluation

Superintendent Makowski presented the rubric for her 2015-2016 evaluation. She reported that the rubric included a self-evaluation for the board to review. District data was not presented at this time because no data is currently available that is reflective of Mrs. Makowski's time at the district.

RECESS

The board took at recess at 6:56 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Claeys to go into closed executive session for the purpose of negotiations.

Ayes: Huston, Claeys, Campbell, Mathewson, Owens, Vogt, Kussrow

Nays: None

Motion carried

The Board went into closed executive session at 7:03 p.m.

The Board reconvened into an open sessions at 8:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Claeys and supported by Kussrow to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Michael Vogt, President

Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Merisa Campbell for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
SPECIAL MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 9, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 5:34 p.m. in the Johannesburg Media Center.

ROLL CALL

Present Scott Mathewson, Michael Vogt, Wendy Huston, Linc Campbell, Frank Claeys, Nancy Kussrow, Ursula Owens

Absent: None

Administration: Superintendent Kathleen Xenakis-Makowski, High School Principal Curt Chrencik, K-8 Principal Dennis Kick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

LONG TERM SUSPENSION/EXPULSION HEARINGS

The meeting was called to order to consider long term suspension of Student 15-16/05. Principal Chrencik provided the Board an information packet that included the following: incident summary, letter to the parent, behavioral record, attendance record, and current grade report.

1. Student 15-16/05

Mr. Chrencik presented his recommendation as follows:

- Suspension for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. During the suspension Student 15-16/05 will not be allowed on any JLAS property or at JLAS sponsored events.
- JLHS will assist with making a referral to Great Lakes Online Education for second semester coursework and the potential to earn credits.
- Student 15-16/05 may petition the Board for reinstatement in the fall of 2016. Conditions for reinstatement were detailed in a letter to the parents (see attached).

Motion was made by Claeys and supported by Huston to suspend student 15-16/05 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year per the recommendation of High School Principal, Mr. Chrencik.

Ayes: All Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to adjourn the special meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Michael Vogt, Vice President

Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Merisa Campbell for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary