

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 9, 2015**

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 Elementary Media Center.

ROLL CALL

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

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 October 12, 2015 as written.

Ayes: All Motion carried

MANIFEST OF BILLS- GENERAL FUND/ATHLETICS

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Huston to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$570,540.80.

Ayes: All Motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial reports were provided for each internal account.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you was received for the memorial donation from Dave Clark upon the passing of his Mother-In-Law.

BOARD INFORMATION REPORT

None

BUDGET UPDATE

The year to date figures were provided. Superintendent Makowski reported that the report is within 1% of the same time last year. The final audit copies were distributed with the only changes related to the GASB 68 pension liability as previously stated by the auditors. The fund equity remains unchanged from the auditor's presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fundraising/Class Trips Committee

Discussion was held on the senior trip, concessions stand staffing, and aligning the sponsor handbook with policy. This topic will be further reviewed under Board Discussion later in the agenda.

Transportation Committee

The current fleet of vehicles was discussed. The 2001 Ford Taurus used for student transportation, errands and miscellaneous needs is in need repairs. The committee recommends purchasing a seven passenger minivan from COPESD \$1. Discussion was held on selling an older buses and the Taurus. The lack of bussing for club sports, cost of athletic bussing overall, and middle school sports was discussed.

Principals

Mr. Keck discussed school improvement and doing what is best for kids and aligning both buildings. The staff is looking at screening for Math to identify students in need of math intervention. Intruder training was held last week. *Illuminate* training and the assessment process are being developed.

Mrs. Kievit discussed common core for reading. The staff is launching a book study with this month's character trait being "fairness". She commented on the intruder and staff *Illuminate* training. Title I Data Night was a successful evening.

Mr. Chrencik presented his calendar. He commented on his Friday morning radio spots with Eagle 101.5. He commented on the *Illuminate* training. NHS induction was held for 13 new members. A successful blood drive was conducted and Shop with a Cop will be December 5. Ann Greif will be coaching Robotics for the 2015-2016 season. Teacher evaluations and student engagement are current goals. Kiwanis is starting a Terrific Teen program. Mr. Chrencik visited Cheboygan High School to job shadow the principal and found it very helpful and insightful.

Superintendent Makowski

Mrs. Makowski reiterated success of PD day, intruder training and in house *Illuminate* training. Our staff was recognized by COP as the best *Illuminate* training team within the ESD. Thanks were expressed to everyone involved in the successful sinking fund. Mrs. Makowski met with a Junior Achievement Coordinator. The program teaches real world finance and requires business partnerships. The contract with Marcor Technology is being renewed. The retirement resignation of Special Education Bus Driver Cathy Boadway was accepted with regrets.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ACTION ITEMS

High School Secretary Recommendation: M. Milbocker

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to accept the recommendation of High School Principal Curt Chrencik to promote Mary Kaye Milbocker to the position of High School Secretary.

Ayes: All Motion carried

At Risk Aide Recommendation: J. Smokevitch

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to accept the recommendation of High School Principal Curt Chrencik to hire Jackie Smokevitch for the position of High School At-Risk Aide.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Snow Plow Bid Recommendation

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Claeys to accept the recommendation of Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor, John Sewell to award the 2015-2016 Snow Plow Bid to LakePointe Construction at an hourly rate of \$40/hr. per truck and \$75/hr. per loader.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Vehicle Purchase: Minivan

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Owens to purchase a 2006 Minivan from Cheboygan Presque Isle Educational Service District for the cost of \$1.00 as recommended by the Transportation Committee.

Ayes: All Motion carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Senior Class Trip

Mrs. Makowski stated that the committee recommends a shift from an out of state trip to an All Night Party to engage all students rather than a few. The board discussed the pros and cons without a final resolution.

Fundraising

Mrs. Makowski reported on the number of events, limitations, and the need to coordinate a calendar of activities. There is a need to establish guidelines for sponsors.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Owens and supported by Huston to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Michael Vogt, President

Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Merisa Campbell for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary