

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING - BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 10, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 6:05 p.m. in the Lewiston Elementary Cafeteria.

ROLL CALL

Present Mike Vogt, Ursula Owens, Wendy Huston, Linc Campbell, Frank Claeys
(arrived at 6:09 pm)

Absent: Scott Mathewson, Nancy Kussrow

Administration: Superintendent Kay Xenakis-Makowski, Johannesburg Principal Nancy Odren

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 September 12, 2016 as written.
Ayes: All Motion carried

MANIFEST OF BILLS- All Funds

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Owens to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$1,706,778.48
Ayes: All Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent Makowski shared a letter of appreciation from the Dominican Sister of Peace for the donation made in memory of Tracy Renkiewicz's grandmother. A thank you card and photos from the cross country team for school provided transportation was also shared.

BOARD INFORMATION REPORT

President Mike Vogt and Superintendent Makowski presented Mr. George Klein with a retirement gift, honoring him for his years of service as a JL bus driver.

The 2015-2016 Financial Audit was presented by Trina Edwards, CPA, MSA of Dennis, Garland and Niergarth. General Fund revenues exceeded expenditures by \$34,533 leaving an ending fund balance of \$769,848.

BUDGET UPDATE

The year-to-date revenue and expense report for General Fund was provided. A budget report for the Sinking Fund revenue and expenses was also provided.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Grounds

The committee met to review quotes for repairs to staircases, window and door casings on the outdoor athletic buildings. The committee asked Mr. Sewell to move forward starting on the Spring athletic areas (baseball, softball, and track). Sinking Fund project SF 1.2 for 2017 was reviewed and discussed. A contract amendment for the architect and a summary of the project were reviewed.

Finance

The committee met to review options for Business Office services. We no longer have a contract for shared services with Wayland Union Schools following the retirement of Bill Melching. Superintendent Makowski presented a proposal for continued services with Mr. Melching as an employee beginning November 1, 2016.

Athletics

Committee met to review requests regarding Golf and Cheerleading. The golf club is seeking recognition as an MHSAA sport in order to participate in MHSAA sponsored events. A group of young women and a parent volunteer are asking to create a volunteer run cheer program. Cheerleaders would do sideline cheer at home events only beginning with basketball season. Both golf and cheerleading would be volunteer organizations, self-funded, and not on "track" to become a sport.

Principals

Mrs. Odren reported staff have begun student assessments with first and second grade early math and literacy benchmarks as well as the first of three annual Illuminate tests. Data Review meetings have begun to identify K-5 At-Risk students to form interventions.

Mrs. Kievit and Mr. Chrencik are in Traverse City at the High School Band Festival. Their reports are included in your packet.

Superintendent Makowski

Mrs. Makowski reviewed her upcoming calendar, reminding the board of the special meeting and workshop Wednesday, October 12, 2016. An update on the roofing projects was provided. The Lewiston building requires additional insulation but is nearing completion. The Johannesburg building had a leak over the Robotics room. The issue is being resolved quickly and professionally by Sugar Construction. The administrators continue to work on the new teacher evaluation tool and staff training. The COPESD is looking to schedule board trainings on restorative justice for student discipline. When the training is available we will look at scheduling it along with standards based grading practices.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tracy Renkiewicz thanked Mr. Claeys for the time and effort involved in organizing the first annual Military Appreciation football game. She announced the Veteran's Day program at JL will take place on Friday, November 11, 2016 beginning with breakfast at 8:30 am.

ACTION ITEMS

Part Time Bus Driver Recommendation: Baker

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Huston to accept the recommendation of Transportation Director, John Sewell, to hire Amy Baker as a part time bus driver per the terms of the JLESPA contract.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Contract Amendment: Anthony Esson

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Claeys to approve the project summary and contract amendment (SF 1.2-2017) to the standard form agreement between the District and Anthony Esson, Architect in the amount of \$43,500.00 plus reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$3000.00. The project summary (SF 1.2-2017) was for the amount of \$1,046,408.

Ayes: All Motion carried

2015-2016 Audit Approval

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Huston to accept the 2015-2016 audit as presented.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Summer Tax Resolution

Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education (the "Board") of the District was held in the Lewiston Media Center in the District, on the 10th day of October, at 6:05 o'clock in the evening.

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

Present: Members Michael Vogt, Ursula Owens, Wendy Huston, Frank Claeys, Linc Campbell

Absent: Members Scott Mathewson, Nancy Kussrow

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Huston and supported by Member Claeys.

WHEREAS, this Board previously adopted a resolution to impose a summer tax levy to collect 100% of annual school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the school district and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board, pursuant to 1976 PA 451, as amended (the "Revised School Code"), hereby invokes for 2014 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of 100% of annual school property taxes, including debt service, upon property located within the District and continuing from year to year until specifically revoked by this Board and requests each city and/or township in which this District is located to collect those summer taxes.

2. The Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to forward to the governing body of each city and/or township in which this District is located a copy of this Board's resolution imposing a summer property tax levy on an ongoing basis and a copy of this resolution requesting that each such city and/or township agree to collect the summer tax levy for 2014 in the amount as specified in this resolution. Such forwarding of the resolutions and the request to collect the summer tax levy shall be performed so that they are received by the appropriate governing bodies before January 1, 2014.

3. Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 1613(1) of the Revised School Code, the Superintendent or designee is authorized and directed to negotiate on behalf of this District with the governing body of each city and/or township in which the District is located for the reasonable expenses for collection of the District's summer tax levy that the city and/or township may bill under MCLA 380.1611 or MCLA 380.1612. Any such proposed agreement shall be brought before the Board for its approval or disapproval.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members All
Nays: Members None
Motion declared adopted.

Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Johannesburg-Lewiston Area Schools hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by said Board of Education at a regular meeting held on October 10, 2016, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the "Open Meetings Act" (Act 267, PA 1976, as amended).

Secretary, Board of Education

Overnight Field Trip Requests

Motion was made by Claeys and supported by Campbell to approve the following overnight trips as presented:

- Johannesburg 4th/5th grade and Lewiston 4th grade-Lansing
- Johannesburg-Lewiston 6th grade- Camp
- Johannesburg-Lewiston 7th grade-Mackinaw City/Mackinaw Island
- Johannesburg-Lewiston 8th grade-Michigan Adventure/Silver Lake Sand Dunes
- Johannesburg-Lewiston High School-Robotics Team Competitions

Ayes: All Motion carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Volunteer Clubs

Mr. Chrencik and Mr. Peppin are requesting recognition of the JL Golf Club as a school sponsored sport for the sole purpose of competing in MHSAA tournaments. The team will remain a "club" with no additional costs to the district. A group of young women and a parent volunteer are requesting the addition of a cheerleading club. The club would exist on a volunteer basis. Neither cheerleading nor golf would be "on track" to become a school sport for purposes of Schedule B contracts per the JLEA agreement. Concerns were presented regarding taking athletes from existing programs, continuing clubs when current volunteers resign and transportation. Superintendent Makowski and the board Athletic committee feel the benefit to students is a primary consideration in allowing these additions.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Claeys to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:00 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
October 12, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 4:30 p.m. in the Lewiston Media Center.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Frank Claeys

Administration: Superintendent Kathleen Xenakis-Makowski, High School Principal Curt Chrencik

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

LONG TERM SUSPENSION/EXPULSION HEARINGS

1. Student 16-17/01

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Huston to go into closed executive session for a long term suspension/expulsion hearing at the request of the parent.

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

Nays: None

The Board went into closed session at 4:32 p.m.

The Board reconvened into an open session at 5:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Kussrow to impose a 180-school day suspension to Student 16-17/01 as recommended by Principal Curt Chrencik with an opportunity to petition the Board of Education in January 2017 for re-instatement, beginning with the second semester. Early re-instatement is contingent upon conditions as outlined by Principal Chrencik.

Ayes: All Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Huston and supported by Kussrow to adjourn the special meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Michael Vogt, Vice President

Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Carol Havrilla for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
SPECIAL WORKSHOP - BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 12, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The special workshop meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Michael Vogt at 5:42 p.m. in the Lewiston Elementary Library.

ROLL CALL

Present Mike Vogt, Ursula Owens, Scott Mathewson, Wendy Huston, Linc Campbell, Nancy Kussrow

Absent: Frank Claeys

Administration: Superintendent Kay Xenakis-Makowski

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

MASB PRESENTATION: Superintendent Evaluation

Mr. Tom White, Michigan Association of School Boards, provided instrument specific training on Superintendent Evaluation.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kussrow and supported by Huston to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Ayes: All Motion carried

Michael Vogt, President

Wendy Huston, Secretary

Submitted by Merisa Campbell for Wendy Huston, Board Secretary