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# BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 27, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Harry L. Wheeler Community Center an Administrative Offices, located at 24076 F.V. Pankow Boulevard, Clinton Township, Michigan.

### A. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Mrs. Dubay, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present:	Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President	
	Mrs. Amelia Servial, Vice President	
	Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary	
	Dr. Terri Spencer, Treasurer (arrived at 6:33 p.m.)	
	Mrs. Mary Hilton, Trustee	
	Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee	
Absent:	Mr. Adam Lipski, Trustee	
Also present:	Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent	
	Mrs. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction	
	Ms. Rochelle Gauthier, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations	
	Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources	
	Ms. Laura Holbert, Director for Elementary Education	
	Ms. Kim Rawski, Director for Secondary Education	
	Ms. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education	
	Mr. Donald Gratton, Director for Operations	
	Mr. Brandon Streng, Supervisor for Technology	
	Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent	
	Employees and Patrons of the District	

#### **B.** Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the agenda for the September 27, 2021 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Yes: Dubay, Servial, Ross, Lipski, Sellers, Spencer No: Hilton Motion carried.

#### C. Hearing of District Patrons

Ms. Shannon Bolak, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding a mask mandate.

Mr. Gary Nummer, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding a mask mandate.

Ms. Alexis Priest, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding accommodations for Special Education students.

Ms. Amy Stros, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding video recording of Board Meetings and a mask mandate.

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Ms. Renee Wilson, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding a mask mandate.

Ms. Nora Trabilsy, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding a mask mandate and COVID reporting.

Ms. Michelle Palmer, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding video recording of board meetings and masks.

Mr. Ed Trabilsy, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding COVID procedures and reporting.

Mr. Judy Lesinsky, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding curriculum being taught in the classroom.

## D. Consent Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the following Consent Agenda items as presented:

- D.1. Budget Report
- D.2. Quarterly Budget Update
- D.3. Payment Registers
- D.4. Bid Award Recommendations
- D.5. Purchases
- D.6. Overtime Report
- D.7. Summary of Investments
- D.8. Summary of Wire Transfers
- D.9. Accounts Payable Check Register Schedule
- D.10. Employment Recommendations
- D.11. Student Travel Requests
- D.12.a. August 16, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
- D.12.b. August 23, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- D.12.c. August 31, 2021 Summer Board Workshop

## **Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Hilton, Sellers, Spencer, Dubay, Ross, Servial No: None Motion carried.

## E. Superintendent's Report

**E.1.** Mr. Edoff provided a district update and expressed that COVID-19 continues to be a strain for students, families and staff in the district. He thanked everyone for advocating for their students, teachers, and staff during these challenging times. Mr. Edoff stated that the district will continue to analyze and make improvements when needed in order to provide the best education for students. Discussion followed.

## F. Business Office

**F.1.** Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve and acknowledge the following Depositories and Investment/Banking Institutions:

	Depositories	Primary Service
Α.	Bank of America	Annuity, Direct Deposit, GLP
В.	Fifth Third Bank	2010 BABS Checking, Internal, General and Cafeteria Depository
C.	JPMorgan Chase	Accounts Payable, Internal Fund, General Fund, Payroll, Purchase Card
D.	PFM Asset Management, LLC (MILAF)	Bond Trustee for 2008 Investment
Ε.	UBS	SWAP-Account
F.	T.D. Price Bank	SWAP-Account
Investment/Banking		Primary Service
Α.	Merrill Lynch	Investment Banking

**Investment Banking** 

B. PFM Asset Management, LLC (MILAF)

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

**F.2.** Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Dr. Spencer, to approve the Macomb/Oakland Fuel Consortium Recommendation as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

#### G. Human Resources

**G.1.** Dr. Dixon presented Ms. Melissa Chase as the recommended candidate for the L'Anse Creuse High School – North Associate Principal position.

Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Ms. Sellers to approve Melissa Chase as the new L'Anse Creuse High School – North Associate Principal.

Discussion followed.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Yes: Hilton, Sellers, Dubay, Spencer, Ross, Servial No: None Motion carried.

## H. Other Matters

**H.1.** The Board held discussion regarding the video recording options for future board meetings.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Dr. Spencer, to approve the Additional Option: Traditional Board Recording Procedures (pre-pandemic) with the Committee of the Whole and Regular Meetings Being Video Recorded as presented by Administration.

Discussion followed.

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Roll Call Vote:Yes:Sellers, SpencerNo:Servial, Hilton, Dubay, RossMotion failed.

#### I. Hearing of School District Patrons Follow-Up

Ms. Shelia Cohoon, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding a mask mandate and COVID data.

### J. Board Member Comment

Mrs. Servial addressed comments made during the Hearing of District patrons and stated that she is also a retired Nurse of 45 years. She stated that less than 1% of the district's student population is currently affected by COVID and the district is doing a good job.

Mrs. Ross addressed comments made about her during the last board meeting.

Mr. Sellers thanked Human Resources and Administration for their efforts on filling the L'Anse Creuse High School – North Associate Principal position. Mr. Sellers also stated that he will continue to advocate for transparency and stated that his motion earlier was a good compromise for board video recording.

Mrs. Dubay addressed comment earlier regarding the Special Education program and shared her personal experience with the program. She thanked the parent who spoke this evening and stated she appreciates her comments about the transition for her student. Mrs. Dubay stated that she would like to review this topic and praised the district's program for being personalized for the student.

Mrs. Dubay addressed the comment earlier regarding funding and paraprofessionals. She shared that paraprofessionals are an asset to the district, however due to funding they are limited on how many the district can have. She encouraged patrons who are interested to learning more about the budget process and district funding to attend the Board's budget meetings.

Mrs. Dubay shared that the Board of Education is made of many different facets and they bring various aspects of learning and life experiences to the Board, making them a unique group. She stated that while it can be challenging, she believes that the Board strives for everyone to be heard and respected.

Mrs. Dubay addressed comments made regarding mask requirements and stated that Macomb County is not recommending masks, but they do state that the CDC is recommending them.

Mrs. Hilton addressed the need for a closed session at the next Board meeting regarding a personnel matter.

#### K. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Sellers, supported by Dr. Spencer, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Sharon y. Ross

Sharon L. Ross, Secretary Board of Education

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