

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 17, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Committee of the Whole on Monday, January 17, 2023 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. Hilary Dubay, President, called the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Trask performed the Oath of Office with the newly elected board members John Da Via, Al Doss, and Sharon Ross.

Roll Call

Present Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President

Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary Mrs. Amy Servial, Treasurer Mr. John Da Via, Trustee Mr. Al Doss, Trustee Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mr. Adam Lipski, Vice President

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent

Mrs. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Ms. Rochelle Gauthier, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

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, Director for Technology

Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Employees and Patrons of the District

B. Hearing of School District Patrons

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

C. Department Updates

The Technology, Curriculum Special Education, Human Resources and Support Services Departments provided an informational update for the Board on the progress of work and projects occurring within their department.

D. Superintendent's Report

D.1. Mr. Edoff provided a district update and spoke regarding many grants in the district's budget. He also shared that he has been spending a good amount of time researching cyber security insurance due

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to a state and national issues with cyber insurance renewal. Mr. Edoff also expressed his interest in creating a new Strategic Plan for the district. The Board expressed interest and Mr. Edoff shared that he will develop a timeline and a plan to move forward.

E. Curriculum & Instruction Office

- **E.1.** Ms. Montpas provided information on Student Travel Requests that will be presented to the Board for approval at the January 23, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.
- **E.2.** Ms. Montpas provided information on Enrollment and the Schools of Choice recommendation for the 2023-2024 school year. Discussion followed.

F. Business & Operations Office

- **F.1.** Ms. Gauthier provided information on the Consent Agenda Items that will be presented for approval at the January 23, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.
- **F.2.** Ms. Gauthier provided information on a legal recommendation involving a lawsuit against Juul Labs and other vaping manufacturers for marketing products to children. Ms. Gauthier shared that administration will be recommending approval of a resolution at the next Regular meeting to join the lawsuit. Discussion followed.

G. Human Resources Office

G.1. Dr. Dixon provided information regarding the Employment Recommendations that will be presented for approval at the January 23, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

H. Support Services Office

H.1. Mr. Gratton provided information regarding the Macomb County Stormwater Management Plan and the need to adopt a resolution as part of the federal and state mandated National Pollutant Discharge System (NPDES) permit the district is required to have. Discussion followed.

I. Technology Department

I.1. Mr. Streng provided information regarding a technology computer purchase recommendation to replace classroom teacher computers that he will be presenting for approval by the Board at the January 23, 2023 Regular Meeting. This purchase would replace classroom computers that are no longer covered under warranty and in need of updating to perform adequately for the instruction needs of students and teachers. Discussion followed.

J. Other Matters

Mrs. Dubay asked for a motion to approve voting during the Committee of the Whole meeting to approve the Bond Refunding Resolution.

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve voting during the meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Doss, Servial, Sellers, Da Via, Ross, Dubay

No: None Motion carried.

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Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve and authorize administration to execute the Resolution Ratifying the 2023 Refunding Bonds in the total amount of \$39,580,000 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Servial, Sellers, Ross, Dubay, Doss, Da Via

No: None Motion carried.

K. Hearing of District Patrons Follow-up

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

L. Board Member Comment

Mrs. Ross reported information from the last Macomb County Legislative Committee meeting to the Board. She shared discussions were held on state aid budgets, funding for the 21st Century student and additional enrollment cost for school districts. She also shared that discussion was held on capital funding involving CTE, College and Early Childhood programs and a county wide proposal for all districts. Mrs. Ross encouraged everyone to contact their legislators not only to support public education, but for themselves as well.

Mrs. Dubay addressed the Board regarding the Board Committee Interest Survey that will be going to all members soon and provided an explanation of the purpose for new board members.

M. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mr. Da Via, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Snaron L. Koss, Secretary Board of Education

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