

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 16, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, February 16, 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.

Due to the current order by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, the board meeting was conducted through the Zoom meeting program and live streamed on YouTube.

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

Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President, called the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President

Mrs. Amy Servial, Vice President Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary Dr. Terri Spencer, Treasurer Mr. Adam Lipski, Trustee Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mrs. Mary Hilton, Trustee

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent

Mrs. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Mrs. Laura Holbert, Director for Elementary Education Mrs. Kimberly Rawski, Director for Secondary Education Mrs. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education Mr. Brandon Streng, Supervisor for Technology

Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Employees and Patrons of the District

B. Hearing of School District Patrons

Ms. Sabrina French addressed the Board on behalf of James Maisano, teacher in the district, regarding teacher wages.

Mrs. Kathy Parmentier, President of the teachers union, address the Board regarding teacher wages.

C. Presentations

C.1. Mr. Edoff presented the February Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Reconfirmation to the Board and public.

D. Superintendent's Report

D.1. Mr. Edoff provided a district update and shared information regarding the status of COVID-19 vaccines and rapid testing for school employees. He stated that last week the district made

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tremendous progress in organizing and offering vaccinations to all interested employees through Walgreens. Mr. Edoff thanked Mrs. Dubay for her assistance in the opportunity and everyone involved in providing staff the possibility to receive vaccines. Mrs. Dubay and Mr. Lipski thanked Mr. Edoff for the work that he has done to make this happen and possible.

Mr. Edoff provided a progress report on the COVID rapid testing program. He stated that the district continues to make progress towards executing the optional COVID Rapid testing program for staff that will allow staff to test for COVID up to at least once a week. Mr. Edoff will continue to move forward and will report back to the Board with a status update.

- **D.2.** Mr. Edoff informed the Board of an offer to purchase on the Jefferson Avenue Property in Harrison Township. Discussion followed.
- **D.3.** Mr. Edoff addressed indoor and outdoor use of district facilities for outside organizations. Discussion followed.

E. Curriculum & Instruction Office

- **E.1.** Ms. Montpas presented the following Consortium Agreements and Program Participation recommendations for the 2021-2022 school year that will be presented for approval at the next Regular Board Meeting.
 - Career Technical Education (CTE) Consortium Agreements
 - Early College of Macomb
 - International Academy of Macomb (IAM)
 - Southwest Macomb Technical Education Cooperative (SMTEC) Agreement

Discussion followed.

F. Business & Operations Office

- **F.1.** Mr. Edoff provided information on the Consent Agenda Items that will be presented for approval at the February 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.
- **F.2.** Ms. Edoff provide information on the 2021 Summer Tax Collection that will be presented for approval at the February 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
- **F.3.** Mr. Edoff discussed with the Board regarding budget, millage enhancement funds, CTE funds and capital expenditures. Discussion followed.
- **F.4.** Mr. Edoff provided information regarding refinancing of the district bonds as a way to save due to interest rates being lower in an effort to save taxpayers money. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Dubay called a break from 8:52 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

G. Human Resources Office

- **G.1.** Dr. Dixon provided information regarding the Employment Recommendations that will be presented for approval at the February 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
- **G.2.** Dr. Dixon presented the L'Anse Creuse AFSCME Council 25 AFL-CIO Local Union 1993 Paraprofessional Association tentative agreement for the Board's approval at the February 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

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H. Other Matters

- **H.1.** Mr. Edoff and the Board held discussion on the possibility of a safety officer attending board meetings on a regular basis. Discussion followed.
- **H.2.** Ms. Dubay provided the Board Committee Assignments for the 2021calendar year. Discussion followed. Per board discussion, the following committees will be removed from the chart:
 - Strategic Plan Ad Hoc
 - Technology Budget Structure Planning Ad Hoc
 - Transportation Appeals

Mrs. Dubay addressed the Board regarding setting a special meeting to review the Audit Firm Services RFPs received. This topic will be taken to the next regular meeting to select a date to hold interviews with the companies who have submitted an RFP.

Mrs. Dubay also addressed the need to review and discuss the Superintendent's Goals for this year. The board will add this topic to the regular board meeting to select a date to hold a Special Meeting to set the Superintendent's Goals for this year.

I. Hearing of School District Patrons Follow-Up

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

J. Board Member Comment

None.

K. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mrs. Servial, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Yes: Ross, Servial, Lipski, Spencer, Dubay, Sellers

No: None Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L. Ross, Secretary

Board of Education

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