

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES MAY 17, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Committee of the Whole on Monday, May 17, 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.

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was conducted in person according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and livestreamed through YouTube.

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

Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President, called the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:34 p.m. Ms. Dubay appointed Dr. Terri Spencer as the Secretary pro temp for the meeting.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President

Mrs. Amy Servial, Vice President Dr. Terri Spencer, Treasurer

Mr. Adam Lipski, Trustee (arrived at 9:14 p.m.)

Mrs. Mary Hilton, Trustee Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent

Mrs. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Mrs. Rochelle Gauthier, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Ms. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education Mrs. Laura Holbert, Director for Elementary Education Mrs. Kimberly Rawski, Director for Secondary 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. Kara Yancey, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding the mask requirement.

Mr. Jeremy Manbeck, parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding the use of chemicals used in the classrooms.

Ms. Shelia Cohoon, former parent in the district, addressed the Board regarding the mask requirement.

Ms. Kelly Etherton, parent in the district, addressed the board regarding the mask requirement.

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Ms. Amber Amy, parent in the district, addressed the board regarding the mask requirement and process for parent concerns.

Mrs. Dubay called a break from 7:02 – 7:12 p.m.

C. Presentations

C.1. Mr. Edoff presented the May 17, 2021 Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Reconfirmation to the Board and public. Discussion followed.

D. Superintendent's Report

- **D.1.** Mr. Edoff provided a district update and shared information on the new order by the Governor over the weekend.
- **D.2.** Mr. Edoff presented information on a plan to develop a new Zero Based Budgeting system through a company who provides financial services. This item will be presented at the May 24, 2021 Regular Meeting for approval.
- **D.3.** Mr. Edoff presented a bond resolution as a follow up for selling the district's bonds as previously approved. This resolution will be presented for the board's consideration at the May 24, 2021 Regular meeting.
- **D.4.** Mr. Edoff presented an update to the LCPS COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan and to address the consideration in resuming volunteers and chaperones in the buildings and on field trips and lift the mask mandate for athletes who are playing sports outside.

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

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Dubay, Hilton, Servial, Spencer

No: Sellers Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mrs. Hilton to approve the revised LCPS COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan to add additional language regarding the mask requirement when outdoors, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Dubay, Hilton, Sellers, Servial, Spencer

No: None Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, support by Mrs. Hilton to approve the LCPS COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan to add additional language to allow for volunteers and chaperones at events, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Dubay, Hilton, Servial, Spencer

No: Sellers Motion carried.

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E. Curriculum & Instruction Office

E.1. Motion by Dr. Spencer, supported by Mrs. Hilton, to approve the Student Travel Requests as presented.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

- **E.2**. Ms. Montpas provided information on a Title I Grant Purchase recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Meeting for approval. Discussion followed.
- **E.3.** Ms. Holbert and Ms. Rawski provided information on Textbook Purchases that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

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

F. Business & Operations Office

- **F.1.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the Consent Agenda Items that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
- **F.2.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the Swap Management Plan recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
- **F.3.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the Workers Compensation Insurance recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.
- **F.4.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the Food Management Company Renewal recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.
- **F.5.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the M.A.I.S.L. Insurance Annual Renewal recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.
- **F.6.** Mrs. Gauthier provided information on the Resolution to Request a Truth-in-Budget Hearing that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

G. Human Resources Office

- **G.1.** Dr. Dixon provided information regarding the Employment Recommendations that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Discussion followed.
- **G.**2. Dr. Dixon provided information regarding the EduStaff Renewal recommendation that will be presented for approval at the May 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

H. Other Matters

- **H.1.** Mrs. Dubay addressed the need to vote on the MISD Budget Resolution at the next regular board meeting.
- **H.2.** Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Dr. Spencer, to approve the attached resolution to consider designation of electoral representative for the June 7, 2021 MISD Biennial Election Meeting. The

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Board designated Amy Servial as the electoral representative and Adam Lipski as the alternate representative for the MISD Biennial Election on June 7, 2021.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

H.3. Closed Session – Employee Matter, Negotiations Update and Legal Opinion

Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Mrs. Servial, to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(a), (c) and (h) of the Open Meetings Act for a Negotiations Update (9:30 p.m.) for an Employee Matter, Negotiations Update and Legal Opinion.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Dubay, Hilton, Lipski, Servial, Spencer

No: Sellers Motion carried.

Mr. Sellers left the Closed Session at 10:17 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Mrs. Servial, to reconvene to the Committee of the Whole meeting at 10:44 p.m.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

H.4. Mr. Sellers addressed the Board regarding the board member censure item on the agenda and provided details on the issues that have been brought to his attention.

I. Hearing of District Patrons Follow-up

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding Shane Sellers possibly being censured.

- Scott Sellers, resident in the district
- Jackie Sellers, resident in the district
- John Sheets, resident in the district

J. Board Member Comment

Mrs. Hilton thanked Mrs. Servial and Mr. Lipski for representing the district for the MISD Biennial Election.

K. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Hilton, supported by Mrs. Servial, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 p.m.

Yes: All No: None Motion carried.

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Respectfully submitted,

Terri M. Spencer, Secretary Pro Tem Board of Education