

**LAINGSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Approved MINUTES**

Regular Board Meeting
Middle School Media Center

May 17, 2023

The regular meeting was called to order by President Michels at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Angst, Andy Hagerty, Jason Michels, Renee Gutzman,
Maggie Sayles, Natalie Elkins

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Micheal Rourke

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Matt Shastal, Krissy Pratt, Kerri DeVault,
Julie Nosek, Brandon Woodworth, Tara Hengesbach

Motion by Sayles to table the special meeting minutes from May 17, 2023.
Seconded by Elkins. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Angst to approve the April 2023 Treasurer's Report.
Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sayles to approve the April 2023 Warrants:

Accounts Payable -	\$310,051.56
EFT/ACH Transfer(s) -	\$ 66,553.27
Payroll -	\$691,859.76
Building & Site -	\$ 9,156.00
Capital Projects -	\$ 250.00

Seconded by Angst. Motion carried unanimously.

Information and Proposals

Kerri Devault accompanied 3 Kindergarten students that did an outstanding job reading their poetry.

Jeremy Blatt induced himself as the field representative for Elissa Slotkin.

Gail Geasler and Ed Tyler spoke about the upcoming events for the LCBA, including the community clean-up on Sunday. Ed also spoke on behalf of the Sports Boosters about the yard signs they have for sale.

Non-Staff Communications and Reports

-None

From Superintendent and Staff

-Superintendent Shastal presented a legislative update. The May Revenue Estimating Conference will be on 5/19/23 and budget targets will be agreed to.

-Superintendent Shastal gave a 2022-23 budget update. The budget is trending in the right direction but they will have much more detail next month when we ask the Board to officially amend the budget.

- Superintendent Shastal gave a brief 2023-24 budget update. No increase in State Aid and estimating 1125 students.

-Superintendent Shastal spoke on the district staffing. The district is looking to hire a DK teacher, 4th-grade teacher, secondary art teacher, and either a high school math/science teacher.

-Superintendent Shastal gave a strategic plan update. The Non-homestead millage passed with a 73% yes vote. They are making progress on the ECEC parking lot, and the softball/baseball pavilion. The facility study will occur in late summer or early fall.

Building Reports

Elementary & ECEC – Kerri DeVault: May was a busy month for the ECEC and LES. LES hosted a Mileage Club Family Night along with the first-ever Art walk with a piece of art from every student on display. They had a lot of field trips. They also held a career week where parents came and discussed various jobs and students could ask questions. The pre-school had a graduation parade and then the kindergartens had their graduation in the LHS auditorium.

Middle School – Tara Hengebach: The 8th graders participated in Reality Store in May which was led by the counselors along with some high school students. The 8th-graders went on the Chicago trip last Friday and the spring band concert was on Monday. Melissa Kramer and the middle school Robotics team earned 3 awards They also hosted a family STEM night and helped serve the chicken dinner with the Lions Club.

High School – Brandon Woodworth: The band had their Spring concert and like always they were amazing. The Seniors had their walk-through parade, breakfast, and honors night. Graduation will be on Friday the 19th at 7 pm on the football field. The 8th-graders will come for their walk-through next week and that's also when the final exams will be. Soccer districts are home this year. Track regionals are in Chesaning. The softball and baseball teams are doing great.

Julie Nosek-98b Goal Reporting: Almost done testing but so far reading has increased 6% between fall and winter with 70% meet or exceeding the growth goal in middle school. Math in K-8 had 70% meet or exceed the growth goal.

From Board Members

SRES D General Fund Budget Discussion

Shiawassee RESD Board of Education Biennial Election Discussion

Legislative Breakfast Recap-Discussion on teacher shortage and school safety

Proposed 2023-2024 Board of Education Calendar Discussion-Will approve at the June meeting

Board Committee Reports - None

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Proposal #79

Motion by Angst to approve the resolution to support the 2023-24 Shiawassee Regional Education Service District's General Fund Operating Budget.

Seconded by Hagerty. Sayles abstained, motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #80

Motion by Elkins to approve the resolution designating Renee Gutzman as the representative and Mary Angst as the alternate of the Laingsburg Community Schools for the electoral body of the Shiawassee RESD biennial election to be held on June 5, 2023. Further, the district's representative is directed to cast a vote on behalf of the Board for the following candidates for the two six-year terms: Tate Forbush and Mike Rexin.

Seconded by Angst. Sayles abstained, motion carried unanimously.

Personnel

-Board acknowledged:

The retirement of Troy Henning-Teacher.

The resignation of Hannah Nesterowich-Secondary Art Teacher, Sara Perrin-Teacher, and Paul Phillips-Middle School Cross Country Coach.

Proposal #81

Motion by Gutzman to approve the hiring of Sam Kaastra, Middle School Cross Country Coach. Seconded by Sayles. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #82

Motion by Angst to approve the hiring of Sam Kaastra, 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach.

Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #83

Motion by Sayles to approve the Letter of Agreement to the current Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Laingsburg Community Schools Board of Education and the Laingsburg Education Association, MEA/NEA.

Seconded by Elkins. Hagerty and Angst abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Future Business

Meeting Dates –

High School Graduation – May 19, 2023 - 7 pm

Regular Board meeting June 21, 2023 - 7 pm

Preview of Topics for Future Agendas
a. 2023-24 Proposed Budget
b. Board Bylaws & Policy Update

Motion by Angst to adjourn at 8:20 pm.
Seconded by Sayles. Motion carried unanimously.

Mary Angst, Acting Board Secretary