

LAINGSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting
Middle School Media Center

April 19, 2023

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Michels, Mary Angst, Andy Hagerty, Micheal Rourke
Renee Gutzman,

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Maggie Sayles, Natalie Elkins

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

Motion by Angst to approve the minutes from March 14, 2023, regular board meeting.
Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Hagerty to approve the minutes from March 14, 2023, closed board meeting.
Seconded by Angst. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Angst to approve the March 2023 Treasurer's Report.
Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Angst to approve the March 2023 Warrants:

March Accounts Payable –	\$257,174.93
March EFT/ACH Transfer(s) -	\$ 75,763.59
March Payroll -	\$732,961.05
March Building & Site -	\$ 9,027.74
March Capital Projects -	\$ 3,000.00

Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

From Delegations or Visitors:

Presentation and Pledge of Allegiance by our Preschool students.

Ed Tyler gave an update on the Sports Boosters and on the LCBA.

Mallory Harris and Sherry Stevens representing the Den Defenders, spoke about the school taking over the 7th and 8th-grade football program as a school-sponsored sport.

From Non-Staff Communications and Reports:

None

From Superintendent:

2022-23 Budget Update: They are currently working through the end-of-year projections and hope to have some revisions to the deficit prior to June 30th. There are a few “one-time” expenditures that could impact the final budget.

2023-24 Budget Update: There haven't been any changes since the March meeting. The Senate and House should release their budgets in the next 2-3 weeks and then we will wait until May for the Revenue Estimating Conference. The projected enrollment is 1125 and the budgeted amount is 1136.

Legislative Update: The Legislative breakfast is this coming Friday at Hawk Hallow. He spoke about the number of education bills that are in discussion.

District Staffing Update: He is not aware of any retirements. There are a number of positions they are looking to fill: Elementary Special Ed, Upper Elementary teacher, high school Math/Science, high school Special Ed, O&M-Custodian, Bus Drivers, Theater Tech, and some coaching positions.

Strategic Goal Planning Update - May 2nd is the Non-Homestead Operating Millage Renewal election.

Building Reports:

ECEC & Elementary School – Kerri DeVault: Kindergarten Round-Up was last week. Counselors are planning a carrier day and they also have a sneak peak coming up next month. The Feeling Good Mileage Club has started & there will be a Mileage Club Family Night with an Art walk in May. Fifth graders are going to the Wharton Center for the Link UP program. There will be music concerts in May.

Middle School – Tara Hengesbach: They had a huge turnout for the science fair. Track has begun and they have over 80 kids participating. We had 8 students qualify for the Shiawassee Scholars. The middle school is also preparing for spring field trips. They also have a 7th /8th-grade dance coming up in May.

High School & Athletics – Brandon Woodworth: The high school is finishing up spring testing. Band had their trip to Disney and they also have their concert on May 8th. Robotics finished their season and the growth in the program has been amazing. May 10th will be the senior's last day of school. Spring sports are all underway.

From Board Members:

Renee Gutzman will attend the SRES D May 1st budget presentation at 7 pm.

Legislative breakfast is Friday, April 21st from 7 am – 9 am.

Board Committee Reports: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business

The Board acknowledged the resignations of:

Banci Dietz, Varsity Sideline Cheer Coach

Proposal #72

Motion by Angst to hire Jessica Ocenasek, Paraprofessional.

Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #73

Motion by Gutzman to hire Grace Borgman, Middle School Track Coach.

Seconded by Hagerty. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #74

Motion by Angst for Administration and Central Office contract extensions

1. Ron Underhill, Director of Maintenance
2. Kelly Zemla, Business Manager
3. Brandon Woodworth, High School Principal
4. Sheila Freeman, Elementary School Principal
5. Pam Kasik, Payroll Specialist
6. Tara Hengesbach, Middle School Principal

7. Krissy Pratt, Accounting Officer, Administrative Support
8. Jabe Thomas, High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
9. Kerri DeVault, Elementary School Assistant Principal/Preschool Director
10. Steve Butler, Information and Technology Director
11. Julie Nosek, Assistant Superintendent

Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #75

Motion by Gutzman Recommendation to approve the Letter of Agreement with the Laingsburg Education Association to modify Article 2: Association and Teacher Rights and Responsibilities

Seconded by Rourke. Angst and Hagerty abstained motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #76

Motion by Hagerty Recommendation to approve the resolution to join the nationwide litigation against Social Media Platforms.

Seconded by Gutzman. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal #77

Motion by Angst Recommendation to approve the offering of middle school football, 7th & 8th grade, as a school-sponsored sport.

Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

Future Business

Meeting Dates –

SRES D General Fund Presentation Meeting – May 1, 2023, @ 7 pm

Special Board Meeting – May 17, 2023 – MS Media Center @ 6:45 pm- SRES D Budget Presentation

Regular Board Meeting – May 17, 2023 – MS Media Center @ 7 pm

High School Graduation – May 19, 2023 – 7 pm

Preview of Topics for Future Agendas –

2023/24 Proposed Budget

Board By-Laws/Policy Update

General Discussion to Guide Future Recommendations

Did not go into Executive Session

Motion by Angst to adjourn at 8:05 pm. Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

Renee Gutzman, Board Secretary