LEROY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 2

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, November 9, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

A. Call to Order

President Kevin Daugherty called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. in the media center at the Jr./Sr. High School.

B. Roll Call

Present were Kevin Daugherty, Wendy Dooley, Tracey Holoch, Andy Johnson, Bryon Owens, Bob Spratt, and Jennifer Tarr. Superintendent Gary Tipsord was also present. Administrators Steve Reschke, Jeff Baughman, Erin Conn, and Stacey Morrell were also in attendance.

C. Approval of the October 12, 2015 Budget Hearing Minutes.

A motion was made by Andy Johnson, seconded by Bryon Owens, to agree to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2015 Regular Meeting as submitted. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

D. Approval of the October 17, 2015 Board Retreat Minutes.

A motion was made by Tracey Holoch, seconded by Jennifer Tarr, to agree to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2015 Board Retreat as submitted. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

E. Approval of the October 26, 2015 Special Finance Committee Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Wendy Dooley, seconded by Bob Spratt, to agree to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2015 Special Finance Committee meeting as submitted. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

F. Approve Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Tracey Holoch, seconded by Wendy Dooley, to agree to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Payroll for October, 2015 in the amount of $313,145.71 plus board contributions as follows:

$7,340.08 to Internal Revenue Service for FICA;

$6,485.20 to Internal Revenue Service for Medicare;

$25,071.78 to Health Alliance for major medical insurance;

$35,913.43 to Teachers' Retirement System for 9.4% employer contributions;

$2,194.09 to Teachers' Retirement System for .58% employer contributions;

$3,140.71 to Teachers' Health Insurance System for .80% employer contributions; and

$12,760.90 to Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for 12.04% support staff retirement.

Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2015 as follows:

	CASH IN BANK	INVESTMENTS
a. Education Fund	2,821,084.26	2,496,221.73
b. Building Fund	389,553.03	335,081.76
c. Bond & Interest	983,666.75	983,743.41
d. Transportation Fund	222,126.11	197,960.11
e. IMRF/FICA	114,628.57	93,889.35
f. Site & Construction	0.00	0.00
g. Working Cash Fund	338,840.73	338,867.14
h. Tort	28,170.28	21,722.07
i. Life Safety	87,439.62	87,350.43

Bills as follows:

a. Education Fund	$92,084.87
b. Building Fund	$30,586.17
c. Bonds & Interest	$707,990.00
d. Transportation Fund	$5,277.64
e. Site and Construction	
f. Lease	
g. Tort	$554.00
h. Life Safety	$1,075.50
i. IMRF/FICA	
j. Paid by Journal Entry	$56,258.60

Reimbursement of the Imprest Fund in the amount of $3,220.57.

LeRoy Elementary School Activity Fund for the month of October, 2015 and LeRoy High School Activity and Athletic Funds for the month of October, 2015.

7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

Yeas: Kevin Daugherty, Wendy Dooley, Tracey Holoch, Andy Johnson, Bryon Owens, Bob Spratt, Jennifer Tarr
Nays:
Absent:

G. Public Comment to the Board

None.

H. Comments from Visitors to the Board.

None.

I. Academic Spotlight: Escape Bloomington.

Mr. Jeff Baughman and Tucker Shepherd, a 7th grade student, presented to the Board of Education on a recent field trip the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students took to Escape Bloomington held at the Holiday Inn in Bloomington on October 2, 2015.

J. Administrative Reports.

1. Elementary Principal – Mrs. Conn (see attached).
2. Jr. High Principal – Mr. Baughman (see attached).
3. Sr. High Principal – Mr. Reschke (see attached).
4. LPA Principal – Mrs. Morrell (see attached).
5. Superintendent – Mr. Tipsord (see attached).

K. Old Business.

1. Discussion was held regarding the recommendations for policy amendments as proposed by Illinois Association of School Boards.

L. New Business.

1. A motion was made by Jennifer Tarr, seconded by Andy Johnson, to agree to approve the tentative Tax Levy for the 2016-17 School Year as submitted. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

   Yeas: Kevin Daugherty, Wendy Dooley, Tracey Holoch, Andy Johnson, Bryon Owens, Bob Spratt, Jennifer Tarr
   Nays:
   Absent:

2. A motion was made by Tracey Holoch, seconded by Wendy Dooley, to agree to set December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the JHHS Media Center as the date and time for the FY2017 Tax Levy Hearing. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Andy Johnson, seconded by Jennifer Tarr, to agree to approve the purchase of fuel through the ROE17 Risk Management Fuel Coop. 5 yeas 1 nay 1 reluctantly abstains. Motion carried.

M. Enter Executive Session.

1. A motion was made by Wendy Dooley, seconded by Bryon Owens, to agree to enter into executive session at 8:13 p.m. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Andy Johnson, seconded by Wendy Dooley, to return to open session at 8:18 p.m. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

N. Discuss, Consider, and Approve Personnel and Employee Contractual Issues.

1. A motion was made by Tracey Holoch, seconded by Jennifer Tarr, to agree to accept the full and complete retirement request of Kathy Schoenwetter as submitted effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Bob Spratt, seconded by Bryon Owens, to agree to approve the Part-Time/Temporary Employee list was recognized by the Board of Education.

O. Adjournment

A motion was made by Wendy Dooley, seconded by Andy Johnson, to agree to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. 7 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried.

President

Secretary

Student Achievement

- Parent-Teacher Conferences were well attended. Individual student data was shared.
- Mrs. Mallon's 1st Grade Skyped with an author. Max Brallier is the creator and writer of Galactic Hot Dogs. He is the author of the Eerie Elementary series for Scholastic Books, written under the pen name JACK CHABERT.
- Literacy guests from Astoria – November 4th.
- Spotlighting Reading Workshop on Nov. 18th with visitors from Germantown Hills, Lexington, GCMS, & Ridgeview:
  - Kindergarten – Fox
  - Grade 1 – White
  - Grade 2 – Gopinath
  - Grade 3 – Morgan
  - Grade 4 – King
  - Grade 5 – Hanshew
  - Grade 6 – Pollock
  - Grade 6 – Shivers
- Teachers continue to engage in our math book study! Teaching Student-Centered Mathematics.

Finance

- Activity Account

Facilities

- Hosting two ISU graduate level literacy classes in Professional Development Room 41
- Featuring 6th Grade Exploratory Artwork in the Main Office.

  Featured Artists: *Gabi Martin, Kelsey Nava, Nick Cornwell, Abby Toohill, Jada Reynolds, Amelia Creech, Brooke Cordray, Kelsey Hammer, Mark Lohnes, Brody Hanafin*

Community Relations

- Panther Radio Update

Erin Conn, ELE Principal

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Student Achievement

- Technology Team
  - Planning internal PD support
- iPad Grant
  - Most applications and number requested in the three years offered to staff
- PARCC Update
  - Data should be available in some form "sometime in November", according to ISBE
- Thank you to HS LEAD students planning tutoring support, which will help some JH students
- Participating in Veteran's Day Assembly and open forum to follow

Finance

- Activity Accounts

Facilities

- We continue to discuss options for ongoing capital improvements
  - Drop ceiling and new lights in the renovated classrooms
    - This would complete core classroom renovations
- Developing long term plan to renovate LIFE Classroom

Community Relations

- Astoria Literacy visit 11/4
- Facebook is over 850 followers
- LCUSD #2 is back on Twitter
  - @LeRoyCUSD2
- Building website
- Junior High Google Site
  - http://ljh.leroyk12.org

Steve Reschke, HS Principal Jeff Baughman, JH Principal Gary R. Tipsord, Superintendent Erin Conn, ELE Principal

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VISION WITHOUT ACTION IS MERELY A DREAM...ACTION WITHOUT VISION JUST PASSES THE TIME...VISION WITH ACTION CAN CHANGE THE WORLD-JOEL A. BARKER

Student Achievement

- Work Keys data (NCRC)
  - 43% at Gold standard
  - 50% at Silver standard
  - 4% at Bronze
- Mr. Marcy (HS Soc. Sci.) – Veteran's Day Assembly
- PTC – 2.5 hours of Literacy Professional Development (University Reading)
- HS Play – You Can't take it with you – Nov. 13th and 14th
- Parent-Teacher Conferences: 19% of HS student body represented
- LEAD Program – Fall Philanthropy: LeRoy Manor
- Winter Sports participant numbers:
  - Boys Basketball – 30
  - Girls Basketball – 20
  - Cheer - 24
  - Wrestling – 12 (LeRoy)
- All HOI Volleyball
  - Alicia Claunch – 2nd team
  - Hallie Sammer – Honorable Mention
- All-HOI Football: TBA when no teams remain in playoffs
- DAR Scholarship nominee: Hannah Bogle
- BACC Field trip in December
- Sports Marketing Field Trip – ISU and Coliseum Tour, Pre-game and in-game marketing strategies

Finance

- Activity Accounts

Facilities

- Continued vigilance for cleanliness
- Winter readiness

Community Relations

- Community-based philanthropy – Mentors/freshmen(raking, shoveling, etc.)
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Student Achievement

- Several high school students finished a unit on Life Finance with a field trip to Busey Bank. At the bank, students were introduced to basic banking concepts and Certificates of Deposit.
- Students will begin experimenting with a Finch Robot in Junior High Math. The Finch is on loan from Bird Brain Technologies. (http://www.finchrobot.com/)
- Aimsweb benchmarking and progress monitoring have been fully implemented.

Finance

- Activity Account
- Current enrollment 21

Facilities

- Tentative plans being discussed for flipping the physical layout of the two classrooms this summer.

Community Relations

- Open House was held Wednesday October 28 from 5 pm – 7 pm. Parents complete 2 surveys (summary of results attached).
- Upcoming volunteer work for Midwest Food Bank is scheduled for November 24th.
- Students and staff will be working with the Women's Auxiliary for the Veteran's Day Dinner on November 11th.

Student Achievement/Professional Development

- Helicopter Parents Article
- New Logo by Noah Perry
- Microsoft Partnership
- Multi-District Visit
- Dr. Eckberg presented in Little Rock

Finance

- FRIS: Update in your E-Packet
- Trending Expenditure in your E-Packet
- Trending Revenue in your E-Packet
- Big Four Chart in your E-Packet
- Finance Committee: Tax Levy Process and final decisions
- Transportation: FY15 Regular $117,843 and SPED $79,903 FY16 $89,556 and SPED $86,690; Proration is occurring within the formula at 70% then they pay only 50% to 75% of that, SPED is only prorated at 96% within the formula. Eligible Total: $370,390, Real Loss: $194,144.

Facilities

- Risk Management Meeting
- Trees being planted around the track and softball field

Community Relations

- Sunrise Rotary Thank You
- Mitchell Family Thank You
- Standard & Poor's: A+ Stable
- Healthier US School Challenge Award Winner