



Lapeer Community Schools Board Action Briefs

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Board of Education Meeting Thursday, October 5, 2017

The following new teachers were introduced welcomed to Lapeer Community Schools and introduced to the Board of Education: Kevin Becker; Kathleen Begley; Haylie Chamarro; Ginny Jones; Jessica Leal; Michelle Orzel; April Porrit; Helen Rowe; Michele Tibbitt; and Shawn York. New teacher Devon Weaver and new school psychologist Jenna Niewiadomski were unable to attend.

Director of Innovation, Kenneth Janczarek, presented information on how the Center for Innovation is working to reach the District Goal #1: Benchmark 1.2. D. "100% of students taking a virtual course through LCS will complete all classes with a passing grade".

Mr. Janczarek explained there are currently 43 full-time and blended K-12 students using Lapeer Virtual, 89 students enrolled in Lapeer Community High School, and 128 students involved in the Lapeer Homeschool Partnership. There are also a number traditional students taking 147 virtual classes.

There are many reason students are choosing virtual classes. Some reasons include medical concerns, credit recovery, homeschool families looking for more options, personal and social reasons, and scheduling conflicts.

Jordan Gabel, Lapeer Community High School Student, Sabastian Flynn, Lapeer Community High School Student, and Linda Marku, blended student who has both traditional and virtual classes, shared their reasons for choosing virtual and how it fits into their lifestyle.

Michelle Pheifer, mentor and lead teacher for the virtual program, explained how the mentors work with the students to build relationships and monitor their progress.

Troy Norman, mentor and teacher for Lapeer Community High School, shared information on the positive changes that have taken place in the program over the last few years.

Mr. Janczarek explained that traditional learning is not for every student and he is very pleased with the success the students are having with various virtual options. He invited Board members to stop by CFI to see all the programs in action.

Mrs. Byard reported on the Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee Meeting that was held on September 25 when the overnight/out of state trip for 8th graders to Washington D.C. request was discussed. The Committee also heard a report regarding the District's Learning Coaches.

The Board approved the following items:

- Minutes from the September 7, 2017 Regular Meeting.
- Minutes from the September 21, 2017 Work Session.
- An overnight/out of state trip for Zemmer 8th graders to Washington D.C. for the fall of 2018, 2019, and 2020.

- Board Trustee Jan Peabody was appointed to represent the Board the Michigan Association of School Board's Delegate Assembly on November 9.
- The following policies were approved for second reading and adoption:
 - Policy 5600 STUDENTS Student Discipline;
 - Policy 5610 STUDENTS Suspension and Expulsion of Nondisabled Students;
 - Policy 5610.01 STUDENTS Suspension and Expulsions-Outlined by MCL 380.1311; and
 - Policy 5611 STUDENTS Due Process Rights.
- The following policies were approved for first reading:
 - Policy 3430.01 PROFESSIONAL STAFF Family Medical Leave Act Leaves of Absence FMLA;
 - Policy 4430.01 SUPPORT STAFF Family Medical Leave Act Leaves of Absence FMLA; and
 - Policy 7540.05 PROPERTY Web Accessibility.

Board members congratulated and welcomed the new teachers to the District. They thanked them for attending tonight's meeting.

Board members thanked Mr. Janczarek and his staff for their presentation and are pleased with everything that is taking place at CFI. The students there are benefiting from the commitment and leadership of the staff.

Superintendent Matt Wandrie shared that he able to visit a few of the new Literacy Centers in the elementary buildings this week. He was very pleased to see the remarkable transformations from Media Center to Literacy Center. Mr. Wandrie thanked the elementary staff that worked on the transformations and is excited that the students are going to reap the benefits of their hard work and ingenuity.