



Lapeer Community Schools Board Action Briefs

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Jonathan Nugent	Trustee
Matthew Wandrie	Superintendent

Board of Education Meeting Thursday, January 10, 2013

Lapeer East Choir students, directed by Cheryl Burnside, sang the National Anthem while American Sign Language students signed with them.

Superintendent Matt Wandrie and President Mike Keller administered the Oath of Office to Wendy Byard and Jonathan Nugent for their new 6-year terms.

The Board viewed a video of Nick Lucchesi, Lapeer East AP Student who described the culture and the positive aspects of Lapeer East. He explained why he likes his AP classes and his future educational goals.

Mr. Scott Roper, principal of Lapeer East High School, introduced Lapeer East teachers who were present. He presented information on the school improvement goals and advanced placement coursework at Lapeer East and reviewed ACT goals for the seniors in 2014-2016.

John Nugent reported on the Teaching, Learning and Technology Committee meeting that was held January 9 when High School Parent-Teacher Conferences was discussed.

The Board approved Bylaw 0151 Organizational Meeting, Bylaw 0154 Motions, and Bylaw 0155 Committee for second reading and adoption. The Board also approved a Baseball Cooperative Resolution for Zemmer and Rolland Warner Middle Schools.

In the past, elections of Board Officers and appointment of school staff has always been done at the Organizational Meeting in July. With the change of School Board elections from May to November, by law these elections/appointments must now be done in January. Therefore, the following Board Officers were elected for 2013: Mike Keller was elected to serve as Board President; Gary Oyster was elected to serve as Board Vice President, and John Nugent was elected to serve as Board Secretary. Kevin Rose was appointed as treasurer and Karen Rowden was appointed as recording secretary.

Board members thanked Mr. Roper for the report and thanked the East staff for attending the meeting. They also thanked Ms. Burnside and the Choir students, and the American Sign Language students, for performing the National Anthem. They are pleased to see that schools are implementing plans that are researched based and data driven.

Board members welcomed Jonathan Nugent to the Board and thanked Wendy Byard for her continued commitment to the Board. Both were recently elected for a 6 year term to the Board of Education.

Board President Mike Keller asked for discussion at future Board meetings regarding legislation that will affect Michigan school districts. This would help Board members and community members understand exactly what the proposed legislation would mean to our district. He also requested that the Board consider rejoining the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Superintendent Matt Wandrie also thanked Jonathan Nugent and Wendy Byard for their commitment to a 6-year term on the Board. He explained that COLT is in the process of reviewing the goals that were identified last summer for 2012-2013. COLT will be sharing the results with the Board at a future meeting along with the successes, challenges, and road blocks to where they want the district be in future years.

Superintendent Wandrie reviewed the decision to close school for the 2 days leading up to winter break in December. He assured them that the decision was not entered into lightly and he feels the decision was the right one to make. He explained that the students were not in any danger, but when students are in fear, whether real or perceived, they are not learning. The district is working with the State as it relates to requirements or non-requirements to make up those days. He will update the Board as the conversation continues.

Lastly, Superintendent Wandrie thanked the Lapeer Kiwanis Club for their generous donation of \$7,500 to our district for literacy initiatives.