

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education held on Thursday, December 8, 2016 at the Administration and Services Center

Mike Keller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Peggy Bush, Wendy Byard, Brad Haggadone, Mike Keller, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Nolan

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Haggadone led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PRESENTING SCHOOL

Amy Maruca, Principal of Zemmer Campus, along with teachers Russ Reitz and Matt Nowak, learning coach Beth Rupprecht, and associate principal Mike Hobolth reviewed how they are working to meet the District Goals.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Mike Keller read the following statement:

A Board meeting is a meeting of our school district business that is held in the public. It is not a public meeting.

The Board sets aside 30 minutes for Public Comment. Public comment is not an open forum and we request presenters address the Board. The Board will not respond to those making public comment, but may direct the Superintendent to follow up with the presenters. That lack of response should not be construed as agreement or disagreement with those comments; it is merely the Board staying in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the posted agenda for this meeting.

The Board does not comment in public on any student or employee, and ask the presenters to be respectful of any person they comment about.

The following people addressed the Board of Education: Amy Conger, Nancy Roberts, LuAnne Castillo, Shandi Heath, Bridgette Miller, Beth Willette, Mary Schweigel, Chris Hinkley, Lisa Meyer, Leslie Getz, Cheryl Matas, and Michelle Rasnick.

## **REPORTS**

Wendy Byard reported on the Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee Meeting held on November 28, 2016 when the following items were discussed: An overnight/out of state trip to Peru; new course proposals; and a new virtual catalog.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Consent Items

- 1. That the minutes from the November 3, 2016 Board Meeting be approved as presented.
- 2. That the minutes from the November 17, 2016 Special Meeting be approved as presented.
- 3. That the minutes from the November 17, 2016 Work Session be approved as presented.
- 4. That the January 19, 2017 Work Session begin at 6:00 PM.
- 5. That the request for Spanish students to travel to Peru in the spring of 2018 be approved as presented.

Moved by Mr. Haggadone, supported by Mr. Oyster, that reading of the minutes be waived and the consent agenda items be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Haggadone-aye; Keller-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Matt Wandrie, along with Board Members, presented outgoing Board members Brad Haggadone and Gary Oyster with plaques and thanked them for their service to the District.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS/TOPICS**

Board members thanked Mrs. Maruca and the Zemmer Staff for their presentation. They thanked Mr. Oyster and Mr. Haggadone for their service to the students of Lapeer Community Schools and the privilege and honor to work with them on the Board of Education.

Board members congratulated the two Lapeer Robotics teams for their recent win at Kettering University. They qualify to advance to the State Championship in Battle Creek December 16-17.

Mr. Oyster and Mr. Keller attended the Manufacturing Day that was held at the Center for Innovation on November 17 along with 30 local manufacturers. Everyone attending was given a tour of the facility while classes were taking place and had the opportunity to ask questions of the participating students. Mr. Oyster and Mr. Keller were very pleased to see the wonderful use of the facility and see the learning that is taking place there.

Mr. Oyster shared an article from the Michigan Association of School Boards, summarizing school funding and what the future holds.

#### SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Matt Wandrie thanked Mrs. Maruca and the Zemmer staff for their presentation. He announced that on December 22 the District will be hosting

Mr. Wandrie announced the first focus panel as part of the Strategic Plan process has been scheduled. He is planning to have up to 30 recent graduates (within the last 5 years) to discuss education in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. He wants to hear from former students regarding their experience with LCS and learn how we can better prepare today's students for life after high school. The focus panel is scheduled for December 22 at the Administration and Service Center.

## CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Byard, that the Board move to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Haggadone-aye; December 8, 2016 Board Minutes

Keller-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting recessed from open session at 8:55 PM. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:01 PM.

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Nolan.

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Wandrie, Mark Rajter, Kim Seifferly, Michelle Bradford, Jennifer Tindall

The Board and others discussed current negotiations.

Meeting returned to open session at 9:51 PM.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Haggadone, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Haggadone-aye; Keller-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 PM.

Peggy Bush, Board of Education Secretary