

Minutes of the Meeting of the Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education held on Thursday, June 5, 2014 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, Mike Keller, Mike Nolan, Jonathan Nugent, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The following Schickler Elementary students led the Board and audience in the pledge of allegiance: Will and Jacob Fisher and McKayla and Alyssa Sedlock.

PRESENTATION

Scott Warren, Schickler Elementary School Principal, explained that 75% of Schickler students are on free and reduced lunch. It is also a very transient building with 180 students transferring in or out of the building this school year. Learning Coaches Lori Dupuis and Kelly Vangel presented information on how Schickler, as a transient and high-poverty school, is finding ways to become a high-performing school.

Board members thanked them for the presentation. They acknowledged the unique challenges that face staff at Schickler. They thanked the staff for working together for the benefit of the students.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

REPORTS

Personnel Committee – Gary Oyster reported on the Personnel Committee meeting that was held on May 16 when the following items were discussed: COLT Restructuring, Negotiations, 2014-2015 Staffing Update/Reduction of Staff, and LEA Proposal.

Student Advocacy and Communications Committee – Denise Becker reported on the SAC meeting that was held on May 20 when Staffing Update and COLT Restructuring were discussed.

Finance and Operation Committee – Peggy Bush reported on the F&O Meeting that was held on May 22 when the following items were discussed: 2014 Farm Land Lease, Lapeer High School Cafeteria Table Bid, Outdoor Athletic Complex-Site Pavement Bid, Renewal of Copier Lease, Food Service Contract Renewal, and Elba Use Restriction.

Student Advocacy and Communications Committee – Gary Oyster reported on the SAC meeting that was held on May 27 when 2014-2015 Budget was discussed.

Teaching, Learning and Technology Committee – Wendy Byard reported on the TLT Meeting that was held on May 29 when Home School High School and 2014-2015 Budget was discussed.

Finance and Operation Committee – Peggy Bush reported on the F&O Meeting that was held on May 30 when the 2014-2015 Budget was discussed.

DISCUSSION ITEM

2014-2015 Budget – Kevin Rose reviewed the 2014-2015 budget recommendation. The District followed the same budget process this year that has been set up in the past by bringing union leaders, administrators, supervisors and managers together for meetings. Again this year, the tone of the meetings focused on how the District can be more efficient and continue to improve the opportunities for our students. The Board will be asked to approve the 2014-2015 budget at the June 19 meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Items

- 1. That the meeting minutes from the May 1, 2014 Regular Meeting be approved as presented.
- 2. That the meeting minutes from the May 8, 2014 Special Meeting be approved as presented.
- 3. That the meeting minutes from the May 15, 2014 Work Session be approved as presented.
- 4. That the annual budget hearing be scheduled for 6:30 PM on June 19, 2014.

Moved by Mrs. Byard, supported by Mr. Oyster, that the reading of the minutes be waived and the consent agenda items be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Lapeer High School Cafeteria Table Bid

Moved by Mr. Oyster, supported by Mrs. Becker, that the bid for Lapeer High School cafeteria tables be awarded to Great Lakes Furniture Supply, Inc. for a total not to exceed \$42,247.30. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Outdoor Athletic Complex-Site Pavement Bid

Moved by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mrs. Bush, that the Outdoor Athletic Complex-Site Pavement Bid be awarded to Astec Asphalt for an amount not to exceed \$241,000.00. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byardaye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Renewal of Copier Lease

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Nolan, that the copier lease bid be awarded to Applied Imaging for an amount not to exceed \$10,986.00 per month. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Probationary Teacher Performance Resolution

Moved by Mr. Oyster, supported by Mrs. Byard, that the Probationary Teacher Performance Resolution be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Reduction of Staff: Notification of Layoff

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Nugent, that the Reduction of Staff: Notification of Layoff Resolution be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Gary Oyster was proud to announce that both East and West High Schools received accolades for their sportsmanship from the MHSAA in spring sports. Approximately 30% of the coaches votes for the entire 2013-2014 athletic season went to either East or West teams. Academic awards for spring sports will be announced next week and a significant number of Lapeer athletes will receive scholar athlete awards.

Board members commented on the difficult decision they had to make to layoff staff. They encouraged staff to continue to market Lapeer as the District of Choices and to let people know all that we are able to offer our students. Lapeer is financially stable and the Board plans to continue to be innovative in the choices offered to our students. By bringing in more students, it is hoped that the District will not only be able to recall some of the staff that is now on layoff, but also be able to avoid more layoffs in the future.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Wandrie thanked Mr. Warren for taking on the challenge at Schickler and for his leadership of the staff.

Mr. Wandrie reported the he and COLT have held staff meetings in the buildings in order to review the 2014-2015 budget recommendation and the challenges our District is currently facing. The meetings also allowed COLT to get feedback from building staff. He also explained that due to the number of changes in the District and current inaccurate information being passed around the community, a "Myth Buster" document was made available to our staff and posted on the website and facebook.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Mr. Oyster, supported by Mr. Nolan, that the Board move to closed *due to confidential attorney-client privilege*. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting recessed from open session at 9:10 PM. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:15 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Peggy Bush, Wendy Byard, Michael Keller, Michael Nolan, Jonathan Nugent and Gary Oyster.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Wandrie, Kevin Rose, Kim Seifferly, Jennifer Tindall, Ron Reed, Dana Abrahams (District Attorney)

The Board discussed correspondence from the District attorney.

Meeting returned to open session at 9:51 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported Mr. Nolan, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 PM.

 Peggy Bush, Board of Education Secretary