



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 28, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, August 28, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Harry L. Wheeler Community Center an Administrative Offices, located at 24076 F.V. Pankow Boulevard, Clinton Township, Michigan.

A. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

Mrs. Dubay called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Hilary Dubay, President
Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary
Mrs. Amelia Servial, Treasurer
Mr. John Da Via, Trustee
Mr. Al Doss, Trustee
Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mr. Adam Lipski, Vice President

Also present: Mr. Erik Edoff, Superintendent
Ms. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Greg Dixon, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Ms. Rochelle Gauthier, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations
Ms. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education
Ms. Laura Dixon, Director for Elementary Education
Donald Gratton, Director for Operations
Mr. Brandon Streng, Director for Technology
Mr. Drake Okie, Director for Athletics
Mrs. Nicolette Trask, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Employees and Patrons of the District

B. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Servial, to approve the August 28, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented with the following change:

Move Item F. Human Resources up on the agenda after Item C. Hearing of School District Patrons.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

C. Hearing of School District Patrons

Mr. Mike Rayner, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding the preparation of graduating students.

Ms. Christine Templin, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding tennis courts in the district.

Mrs. Kristi Glavich, resident in the district, addressed the Board regarding tennis courts in the district.

F. Human Resources

F.1. Dr. Dixon presented Mrs. Kristin Cairo as the candidate for the L’Anse Creuse Middle School – Central Associate Principal.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Doss, to approve Kristin Cairo as the new L’Anse Creuse Middle School – Central Associate Principal.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Sellers, Doss, Servial, Ross, Da Via, Dubai
No: None
Motion carried.

Ms. Cairo thanked the Board and Administration for the job opportunity.

Mrs. Dubai called a break from 6:53 p.m. to 7:02 p.m.

Department Updates

The, Human Resources, Business, Curriculum, Technology, Athletics, Special Education Departments provided an informational update for the Board on the progress of work and projects occurring within their department. Discussion followed

D. Consent Agenda

Motion by Mr. Da Via, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the following Consent Agenda items as presented with the removal of D.12. July 10, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes for discussion:

- D.1. Budget Report
- D.2. Quarterly Budget Update
- D.3. Payment Registers
- D.4. Bid Award Recommendations
- D.5. Purchases
- D.6. Overtime Report
- D.7. Summary of Investments
- D.8. Summary of Wire Transfers
- D.9. Accounts Payable Check Register Schedule
- D.10. Employment Recommendations
- D.11. Student Travel Requests

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Da Via, Ross, Sellers, Doss, Dubai, Servial
No: None
Motion carried.

The Board held discussion regarding D.12. July 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Da Via asked for the minutes to reflect that he abstained from voting on agenda item F.2. Hall of Distinction Recommendation. Mr. Da Via stated that he was part of the nominating committee for the inductee Mr.

Melvin Miller and abstained for this reason.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve item D.12. July 10, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented with the change in the voting for item F.2. Hall of Distinction Recommendation to reflect Mr. Da Via abstaining.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Sellers, Ross, Da Via, Doss, Dubay, Servial

No: None

Motion carried.

E. Superintendent’s Office

E.1. Mr. Edoff provided a district update and stated that we are holding an Opening Day this week and he is excited to have a speaker with all staff coming together since 2018.

Mr. Edoff also provided an update on three projects in the district, the Football Field, Track and Gymnasium Floor at L’Anse Creuse High School – North, and the Tennis Courts at L’Anse Creuse High School. Discussion followed.

E.2. Mr. Edoff addressed the Board regarding external and internal groups in the district in regards to how funding is organized with these groups. Discussion followed.

E.3. Mr. Edoff provided information on traffic signal expenses throughout the district. Mr. Gratton provided clarification on the expenses and discussed the last invoice received for the traffic signal costs. The Superintendent will work with the township and execute the agreement on behalf of the district. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Doss, to approve the Macomb County Road Commission check in the amount of \$10,287.11, for traffic signal expenses.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

E.4. Mr. Edoff presented a Michigan Athletic Association Hockey Agreement for the Board’s consideration. The agreement is for L’Anse Creuse High School, L’Anse Creuse High School – North and Richmond Community Schools. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mrs. Ross, to approve the Michigan Athletic Association Hockey Agreement as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

G. Support Services Office

G.1. Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Da Via, to approve the Special Education Department Renovation Recommendation in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 as presented. Discussion followed.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

G.2. Motion by Mr. Sellers, supported by Mr. Da Via to approve the Transportation Bus Wash Repair Recommendation in the amount of \$32,456.44 with Hydro-Chem Systems as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

G.3. Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the Compressor Repair Recommendation for L’Anse Creuse High School’s pool area in the amount of \$34,850.00 with ThermalNetics as presented. Discussion followed.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

G.2. Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Sellers, to approve the Macomb/Oakland Fuel Consortium agreement for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years, including the estimated purchases of 150,000 gallons of diesel fuel and 17,000 gallons of gasoline per years, as presented.

Yes: All
No: None
Motion carried.

H. Hearing of School District Patrons Follow Up

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

I. Board Member Comment

Mr. Sellers shared that he is excited to see Opening Day for staff return. He also commended the Athletic Department and Mr. Okie for navigating the challenges around the work being done with minimal impact on games. Mr. Sellers also spoke regarding the logo at L’Anse Creuse High School – North and discussed Board policy as it relates to naming and dedicating facilities. He stated that he would like the Board Policy Committee to meet and discuss the need for language to address logo/mascot/school color changes and rebranding.

Mrs. Ross thanked everyone for their work through all of the challenges right before school and shared that she looks forward to the Opening Day presentation and a new school year. Mrs. Ross also addressed the need for cohesiveness throughout the district and shared her thoughts on the football fields.

Mrs. Dubay addressed the logo change at L’Anse Creuse High School – North. She also thanked Mr. Rayner for his comments during the meeting and stated she will look into his concerns. Mrs. Dubay also apologized to the families for not addressing the needs of all sports and stated that she is upset with the conditions of the tennis courts. She stated moving forward it is her goal to look at all of the students and all athletics to see how they can service them best.

Mr. Da Via addressed the Board and asked that the Board not relitigate the past and move on. He would like to learn from any mistakes or decision in the past and look to the future for the good of students in the district.

Mr. Doss addressed the Board and encouraged everyone to keep moving forward in the work of the district.

J. Closed Session – Employee and Student Matters

Motion by Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Doss, to move into Closed Session for the purpose of an Employee and Student Matter pursuant to the Open Meetings Act (c,h) at 9:15 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Ross, Doss, Dubay, Servial, Sellers, Da Via

No: None

Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Servial, supported by Mr. Da Via, to reconvene to Regular Session at 11:11 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Servial, Da Via, Doss, Dubay, Ross, Sellers

No: None

Motion carried.

K. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Doss, supported by Mrs. Ross, to adjourn the meeting.

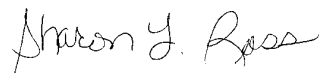
Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon L. Ross, Secretary

Board of Education

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