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L'ANSE CREUSE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION SUMMER WORKSHOP MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 - 6:00 P.M.
HARRY L. WHEELER COMMUNITY CENTER & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

The Board of Education of the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools district convened a Summer Board Workshop on Monday, September 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Harry L. Wheeler Community Center & Administrative Offices.

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

Mr. Shane Sellers, Workshop Chairperson, called the Summer Board Workshop Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Al Doss, Vice President
Mrs. Sharon Ross, Secretary
Mr. John Da Via, Treasurer
Mr. Jeff Cyprus, Trustee
Mrs. Sandra Hernden, Trustee
Mr. Shane Sellers, Trustee

Absent: Mr. Adam Lipski, President

Also Present: Mr. Keith Howell, Superintendent
Ms. Lisa Montpas, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Mrs. Kathy Konon, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations
Mr. Mike Van Camp, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Mrs. Kimberly Rawski, Director for Secondary Education
Dr. Tony Sedick, Director for Elementary Education
Mrs. Nancy Supanich, Director for Special Education
Dr. Major Mickens, Director for Student Services & Community Education
Mr. Donald Gratton, Director for Operations
Mr. Brandon Streng, Director for Technology

Mr. Sellers called for a moment of silence for the student from Middle School - North that unexpectedly passed away last week.

B. Hearing of School District Patrons

No patrons addressed the Board at this time.

C. Summer Workshop Presentation

Mr. Howell stated the workshop will focus on three areas:

1. Superintendent Mid-Year Goal Update
2. Assessment & Curriculum Review: High-level overview including baseline assessment data and school improvement initiatives
3. Safety Audit Executive Summary

Mr. Howell provided an overview of his guiding principles and the current status of the completion of his goals. Discussion followed.

Mr. Howell introduced Dr. Sedick who provided an overview of Assessment and Curriculum, including the Michigan Integrated Continuous Improvement Process (MICIP) goals. Discussion followed.

Mr. Sellers called a break at 7:33 p.m. and the workshop reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Howell introduced Dr. Mickens who presented a summary of the safety audit results. Discussion followed.

Mr. Sellers thanked everyone for the thorough presentations.

Mr. Sellers stated he would like to add the following two items to the agenda:

1. Patron Comment Follow-Up
2. Board Member Comments

D. Patron Comment Follow-Up

Kelly McDevitt, teacher in the district, shared her passion for mathematics education, stating that standards have remained consistent with the eight mathematical practices. She encouraged parents to empower themselves and explore these practices to better understand how their children are being taught critical thinking skills in math.

E. Board Member Comments

Mr. Cyprus praised Mr. Howell, Dr. Mickens, and Dr. Sedick, and thanked everyone for the valuable information shared. He stated he's looking forward to follow-up discussions at future meetings regarding the implementation of the MICIP and the progress of the safety audit, with the goals of making the district better.

Mr. Da Via thanked everyone for the valuable information shared tonight.

Mr. Doss agreed with Mr. Da Via and stated he was appreciative of all of the subject matter experts.

Mrs. Ross thanked everyone for the detailed information presented, acknowledging the tremendous effort involved.

Mr. Sellers thanked Mr. Howell and the administrative team for the hard work in assembling and presenting the information for this workshop. He emphasized the importance of these occasional workshops as a platform for discussing deeper topics like the safety audit and MICIP, which is difficult to do in a regular Board meeting. He stated it was a wonderful meeting.

Mrs. Hernden thanked Mr. Howell his hard work and resilience over the past year, acknowledging the challenges he's faced and commending his leadership. She also thanked Cabinet and support staff for their contributions, and stated she is looking forward to the positive impact that Mr. Howell and his team will have on the students, staff, and the community.

F. Adjournment

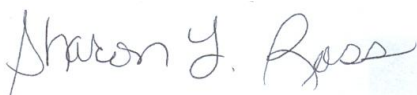
Motion by Mrs. Hernden, supported by Mrs. Ross, to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Yes: All

No: None

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Ross, Secretary
Board of Education

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