



**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education
held on Thursday, August 1, 2013 at
the Administration and Services Center**

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Peggy Bush, Mike Keller, John Nugent, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wendy Byard and Jonathan Nugent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Bush led the Board and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEW PRINCIPAL INTRODUCTIONS

Ron Reed introduced new principal Doug Lindsay (Lapeer East High School). Heather Vance introduced new principals Mike Goetz (Mayfield Elementary) and Jeff Stanton (Murphy Elementary). Board members welcomed them to Lapeer Community Schools.

REPORTS

Finance and Operation Committee – Peggy Bush reported on the Finance and Operation Committee Meeting held on July 29 when the following items were discussed: Plante Moran – Pre Audit Review; Jurisdictional Transfer of Schickler Elementary and Zemmer Middle School; Non-Homestead Renewal; and the 2013-2014 F&O Meeting Schedule.

Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee – John Nugent reported on the Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee meeting that was held on July 30 when the following items were discussed: Overnight/Out of State Trips; 2013-2014 TLT Meeting Schedule; Social Studies Textbook; and Math Pilot. Ron Reed, Executive Director for Secondary Education, presented a new textbook *Discovering Our Past: A History of the World* for 7th grade Social Studies. This textbook will be kept on display until the Board considers adoption at a special meeting scheduled for August 15.

PRESENTATION

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

Non-Homestead Renewal –Kevin Rose reminded the Board that public school funding in Michigan includes the requirement for each local school district to annually levy the basic 18 mil “Non-Homestead Millage” in order to receive a full State Foundation Grant Allowance. The statute requires each local community approve this basic millage with a vote of the electorate. The current authorization expires on December 31, 2013. The administration is recommending that the Board approve a resolution to pass a 5 year renewal of 21 mils and that it be placed on the November 2013 ballot. In order to do so, the Board must pass a resolution in August 2013. The Board will consider this resolution at a special meeting to be scheduled for 5:45 PM on August 15.

Jurisdictional Transfer of Schickler Elementary and Zemmer Middle School – Matt Wandrie explained that he is checking into the benefits for the District of moving boundaries for Schickler and Zemmer into the City of Lapeer limits. As in all our buildings within the City limits (ASC, Bus Garage, Turrill, East, West, Rolland-Warner), a 1% City tax would be charged to employees not living within the City limits. Matt will continue to work with Dale Kerbyson, City of Lapeer Manager, and will keep the Board updated regarding his progress.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Items

1. That the meeting minutes from the July 11, 2013 Organizational Meeting be approved as presented.
2. That the reading of policies 5136 STUDENTS Cell Phones and Electronic Devices and 5460 STUDENTS Graduation Requirements be waived and the policies be approved for 2nd reading and adoption.
3. That Lapeer East and Lapeer West Bands be allowed to travel to Orlando, Florida on March 28-31, 2014.
4. That a special meeting be scheduled for 5:45 PM on August 15, 2013.

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Nugent, that reading of the minutes and policies be waived and the consent agenda items be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Keller-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 5-0.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Mr. Oyster, supported by Mrs. Bush, that the Board move to closed session to discuss negotiations.

Meeting recessed from open session at 7:50 PM. Meeting convened in closed session at 7:51 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Peggy Bush, Michael Keller, John Nugent, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: Wendy Byard and Jonathan Nugent

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Wandrie, Kim Seifferly, Ron Reed, Heather Vance, Sherryl McLaughlin.

Meeting returned to open session at 8:09 PM.

2013-2015 Master Agreement for the Lapeer School District Administrators' Association

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mr. Nugent, that the 2013-2015 Master Agreement for the Lapeer School District Administrators' Association be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Keller-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Bush commented on the beginning of the new school year for our year-round program at Turrill and Rolland-Warner which began this week. Lapeer is the first District in the State of Michigan to have a year-round program at a secondary level.

Mr. Oyster commented that Superintendent Matt Wandrie serves on the advisory council for the Michigan Council for Educator Effectiveness which was charged with making a recommendation for the implementation of a state-wide teacher evaluation system that fosters student growth. The council's recommendation was recently released and Mr. Oyster was pleased that Lapeer's leaders, both current and in the recent past, have positioned our district very well should the recommendation be implemented. He was pleased that Mr. Wandrie was a part of this process.

Mrs. Becker has a step-grandson that is attending the year-round program at Turrill.

Mr. John Nugent announced that he has accepted a position within his company in Jacksonville, Florida. Therefore he will be resigning from the Board of Education effective August 30, 2013. He thanked Board
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members for their commitment to the District and stated that he felt honored to have worked on the Board with such outstanding people.

Mike Keller distributed a book titled *"How to Create a Culture of Achievement in Your School and Classroom"* to Board members. He would like Board members to read the book prior to the August 15 retreat. Mr. Keller thanked Lapeer East teacher, Mrs. Ligeski, for educating his son. He explained that his son recently tested in the 96 percentile on his Chemistry entrance exam for the University of Michigan.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Matt Wandrie reminded Board members that it has been a difficult summer for several of our neighboring districts. He stated that he appreciates that union groups in our District have become our partners during these challenging times. Because of this we are able to continue to improve and not make cuts that will affect the education of our students.

He explained that Lapeer has become a trend setter in the area by implementing an elementary year-round program last year at Turrill and by opening the year-round program at Rolland-Warner, has become the first district in the State to implement a year-round program at the secondary level.

Mr. Wandrie explained that now that the new leadership is in place for the 2014 Lapeer High School the District will begin transition planning. He said the District should not lose sight that we have seniors graduating for the last time from Lapeer East and Lapeer West in the spring and these seniors deserve a special year.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported Mr. Oyster, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Keller-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

John P. Nugent, Board of Education Secretary