

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 21, 2017

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Ayres at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Board Room.

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

The following members were in attendance:

Mr. Fedie, Mr. Ayres, Mrs. Koski, Mr. Dantes, and Mrs. Collins.

Absent: Mr. Gransell and Mrs. Bugni.

Administrative personnel in attendance:

Superintendent Mrs. Tollefson, High School Principal Ms. Scroggs and Elementary Principal Mr. Nawrot.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Dantes to approve the Agenda for the March 21, 2017 Regular Board of Education Meeting. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Mrs. Collins, supported by Mrs. Koski to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on February 21, 2017, with the correction to **5. B. - change NWCA to NWEA**. Ayes: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Koski, Mr. Dantes and Mr. Ayres. Abstain: Mr. Fedie. Motion carried.

5. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:

A. Jr/Sr High School – Principal, Ms. Scroggs, shared highlights of the Robotics Team competition, the school play, Band, Youth in Government and a new middle school book club.

B. Elementary – Principal, Mr. Nawrot, shared highlights of the PTO's Mother & Son Dance/Event, March is Reading Month events, Family Fun Night, Book Fair, Kindergarten Round-up and the PTO Hot Dog sale.

Board member, Mr. Dantes, shared his experience from the Robotics competition.

5:07 p.m. Mrs. Bugni entered the meeting.

(Mrs. Bugni had left the meeting prior to the meeting being called to order).

6. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None.

7. STUDENT REPORTS: Stella Tortolini reported that all Parent Night Events have been completed, an Athletic Banquet for winter sports is being held this evening and the Leadership Conference was March 16. Leadership students participated in a "Swap" and had the opportunity to visit other schools and view their course options. Stella visited Hancock High School. Being planned: Spring Clean-up (before May 1st) and Student Council Inauguration for open positions.

5:13 p.m. Mr. Gransell entered the meeting.

8. FINANCES:
Motion by Mrs. Bugni supported by Mr. Fedie to approve the payment of bills as presented.
Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Mrs. Bugni, supported by Mrs. Collins to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Baraga Area Schools for a cooperative program for JV and Varsity football dated March 16, 2017, with the understanding that the L'Anse Area Schools Booster Club will be responsible for concession at the JV game played in Baraga. Motion carried.

B. CCASB Awards

- i. Motion by Mrs. Collins, supported by Mr. Gransell to approve Mrs. Cecelia (Mitzi) Marcotte for the *Outstanding Education Employee Award*. Motion carried.

- ii. Motion by Mr. Dantes, supported by Mr. Gransell to approve Mrs. Amy Nawrot for the *School Service Award*. Ayes: Mr. Dantes, Mr. Gransell & Mrs. Collins. Nays: Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Koski & Mr. Ayres. Motion failed.

Motion by Mrs. Collins, supported by Mrs. Bugni to approve Mrs. Helen Stenvig for the *School Service Award*. Ayes: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Bugni, Mr. Fedie, Mr. Gransell, Mr. Dantes, Mrs. Koski & Mr. Ayres. Motion carried.

- iii. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Bugni to approve Ryan Delene for the *Student Leadership Award*. Ayes: Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Collins, Mr. Dantes, Mrs. Koski & Mr. Ayres. Abstain: Mr. Gransell. Motion carried.

- C. Motion by Mrs. Collins, supported by Mrs. Bugni to approve a first year probationary contract for Dawn Howe for an elementary teaching position for the 2017-18 school year, pending criminal records check and PA-189. Motion carried.

- D. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Koski to approve the purchase of \$10,167.84 for lawn care equipment from Auto Value of L'Anse. Motion carried.

- E. Discussion was held concerning the Preliminary Budget for 2017-2018.

- F. Motion by Mrs. Bugni, supported by Mr. Fedie; at the employee's request, to enter into closed session under Section 8(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss concerns regarding that employee at 6:33 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Bugni, supported by Mr. Fedie to return to open session and accept the minutes of the closed session at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Koski, supported by Mrs. Collins to approve the Resolution to consider Non-Renewal of the administrative contract of Mr. John Nawrot. Ayes: Mrs. Koski, Mrs. Collins, Mr. Fedie, Mr. Dantes, Mrs. Bugni & Mr. Ayres. Nays: Mr. Gransell. Motion carried.

10. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Were presented.
11. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: were discussed.
12. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.
13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:
 - A. Mrs. Koski announced job opportunities for 18 year olds at Michigan DNR for Baraga State Park.
14. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. Motion by Mrs. Collins, supported by Mrs. Bugni to approve entering into closed session at 8:07 p.m. for Superintendent Evaluation. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gransell, supported by Mr. Fedie to return to open session and accept the minutes of the closed session at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Gransell, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve the Superintendent Evaluation of Susan Tollefson with a rating of Highly Effective. Motion carried.
15. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Bugni, supported by Mrs. Koski to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m. Motion carried.

CHRISTINE COLLINS, Secretary

JASON AYRES, President