

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 18, 2025

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President, Mrs. Bugni, on February 18, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the High School #169.
2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
The following members were in attendance:
Mr. Cavanaugh, Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Frisk, Mrs. Nordstrom and Mrs. Waara.
Excused: Mrs. Paulson

Administrative personnel in attendance:
Superintendent Davidson, Business Manager Bianco, Administrative Assistant Hochstein, Principal Scroggs and Principal Cichosz
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
Motion by Mrs. Nordstrom, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve the Agenda for the February 18, 2025, Regular Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the minutes for the Reorganization Board of Education meeting held on January 23, 2025. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on January 23, 2025. Motion carried.
5. CORRESPONDENCE: K.B.O.C.C. Early College MOU
6. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:
Principal Scroggs highlighted March is Reading Month.

Principal Cichosz highlighted Band students that have qualified for States.
7. STUDENT REPORTS: Cassie Kujansuu reported: SLACK met Feb. 5; C.N.A. volunteers will be at a *Heart Healthy Event* on Feb. 26; sophomores went on a CTE field trip on Feb. 11; HOSA went to MTU on Jan. 31; *Parents Night* for Boys Basketball is Feb. 21 & Girls Basketball is Feb. 27.
8. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: FEBRUARY – Ashley Bianco, *Special Ed Aide & Bus Monitor*
9. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None

10. FINANCES:

- A. Business Manager’s Report was in packet.
- B. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve the Revised 2024-25 Budget as presented. Motion carried.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve Matthew S. Elmblad for the *2025 Distinguished Alumnus Award*. Motion carried.
- B. CCASB Awards:
 - i. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve Kelsi Gustafson for *Outstanding Education Employee Award*. Motion carried.
 - ii. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve Scott Lloyd for the *School Service Award*. Motion carried.
 - iii. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve Cassie Kujansuu for the *Student Leadership Award*. Abstain: Mrs. Bugni. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Frisk to accept the *2025-26 Course Offerings* as presented. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the *Return to Learn & Continuity of Service Plan* as presented. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve changing the April 21, 2025 Regular Board of Education meeting to be held on April 22, 2025. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the Letter of Understanding between *L’Anse Area Schools Board of Education* and *L’Anse Education Association* as presented. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve Neola Policy 6320 – *Purchasing* and Policy 6325 – *Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds* as presented. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve the proposal for Elementary Windows and Industrial Education Building Masonry by OHM as presented. Motion carried.
- I. New Hire(s) / Resignation(s)

Hire(s): Courtney Maki – *Varsity Softball Coach* – 1 year (2025 Season)
McKenna Monticello – *Varsity Volleyball Coach*

Resignation(s): McKenna Monticello – *JV Volleyball Coach*

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: *presented in packet*

- A. Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor
- B. Director of Student Services/Athletic Director
- C. Elementary (K-5) Principal
- D. JSH (6-12) Principal

- E. Superintendent – commended Custodial staff for extra cleaning on Friday & *Northern Window & Awning* will repair/replace windows over spring break.

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Education Resources – did not meet
- B. Extra-Curricular – did not meet
- C. Finance – discussed OHM Proposal & Revised 2024-25 Budget
- D. Library – did not meet
- E. CCASB – Program in April
- F. CCISD – discussed A.I.; Lamar’s cost increase; weather day procedure
- G. Wellness Committee – discussed Challenges for March
- H. L.A.S. Foundation – did not meet
- I. Personnel Committee – change in Coach Pay Scale; classroom subbing in elementary
- J. Tribal Education Committee – did not meet

13. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

15. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. Fedie inquired about nomination process for Employee of the Month.

Mrs. Nordstrom complimented Mr. Davidson on KBOCC article in The L’Anse Sentinel.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Frisk to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m.
Motion carried.

KATIE WAARA, *Secretary*

JOAN BUGNI, *President*