

LISBON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Lisbon, Connecticut

Board of Education Minutes
Monday, June 9, 2014
Regular Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: R. Baah (Chair), M. Krauss, J. Jencks, J. Lewerk, M. Danieluk, M. Avery, I. Rogers

Board Members Absent: J. Danburg, R. Rogers,

Administrators Present: S. Keating (Superintendent), D. Cormier (Business Manager), M. Jenkins (Principal), D. Yellen (Special Education Director)

Administrators Absent: None

Student Ambassadors Present: S. Way, O. Avery

Student Ambassadors Absent:

Others: B. Apperson, A. Plecan

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair R. Baah called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by the Student Ambassadors
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None
5. **CORRESPONDENCE** – None
6. **LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENT AMBASSADORS REPORT**

S. Way reported that the 8th grade went to Boston on June 3rd and had a great time. They learned many historical lessons. They also went to Holiday Hill on June 5th and even though it rained off and on, the students still had a great time. June 10th is Field Day and the 7th & 8th grade students are helpers for the events. In Language Arts, the students are reenacting plays.

O. Avery reported that in 6th grade, the students are learning about the female and male reproductive systems. In Math, the students are working on dotting plots and in Language Arts they are learning about suffixes.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION: J. Lewerk moved to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2014 Regular Board of Education Meeting as presented; M. Krauss seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

8. **ADMINISTRATORS' / SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- a) M. Jenkins reported that the 8th grade Boston Trip was great. There was a lot packed into one day, but the students were well behaved and had a great time. The 6th grade students will be traveling to NYC on Friday, June 13th and there is also an 8th grade Dinner Dance on Friday. There was a band concert last week and the chorus concert will be held on June 12th. The kindergarten students went to Roger Williams Zoo on Friday. The kids had a great time and the weather was wonderful. June 10th is Field Day at LCS. It is also RIF Distribution Day and Box Top Challenge in the afternoon. The teachers have been working on the Letterboxing Activity. A STEM activity night is being planned for the Fall.

- b) D. Yellen discussed the recent Preschool Screening. He stated that 17 students attended and approximately 5 will get a closer look. Summer School has approximately 30 students attending. Some require 1:1 attention, specialized instruction etc. so hiring appropriate staff is very important. Summer School will be held July 1st through July 31st, Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 – 12:00. D. Yellen also reviewed the technology tool “IEP Direct” which will be used next school year.
- c) D. Cormier discussed the 2013-2014 Budget projections. Excess Cost was also discussed.
- d) S. Keating read a report from Mr. Brian McGlew with regards to maintenance. The leak that was reported in the junior high section has not leaked since it was originally reported. MDM Roofing is waiting for it to leak again so they have a better chance of finding where it is coming from. During the town clean-up, we were able to get rid of some old broken student desks and old folding tables and chairs. S. Keating reported that the Teacher Evaluation Plan has been sent to the State. The plan did not change much. S. Keating discussed with the Board the Preschool tuition money and SR Grant and what can and cannot be funded with the monies. She also reported to the Board on students’ learning and achievement at LCS. It is amazing how the students have the security and confidence when speaking in front of a group of people. The teachers at LCS are doing a great job.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to approve the monthly expenditures for May 2014, Fiscal Year 2013-2014 in the amount of \$587,422.50; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to approve the financial statement for May 2014, Fiscal Year 2013-2014 as presented by the Administration; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

10. NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

- a) Discussion re: Erosion of Bank near LCS Track and Possible Action – S. Keating reported that she has discussed with Tom Sparkman, Brian McGlew and Jim McNally from Boundaries, LLC the status of the bank erosion near the track. J. McNally reviewed with the Board a couple of options that have been explored to remedy the situation. The town is paying for this project. The Board liked the option which included two sets of bleachers. Many thanks to Tom Sparkman for coordinating this initiative.
- b) Presentation re: Common Core Math Related Topics – M. Jenkins and B. Apperson, our SRBI Coordinator, discussed Common Core Math topics related to a recent article in the Norwich Bulletin. They answered questions from the Board following their presentation.
- c) Discussion re: Token of Appreciation for PTO and Possible Action – R. Baah led the discussion regarding purchasing something to show the Board’s appreciation of the PTO and all the work they do for the school and students. Ideas will be brainstormed and if need be a Special Meeting will be held to vote on the purchase.
- d) Update re: Safety Policies – S. Keating stated that she is waiting to hear back from State Trooper Mike Browning about his inquiry to the State Police Department regarding the proposed Safety Policies. S. Keating will send out a template regarding a Safety Plan to the Board members for their review.
- e) Discussion re: 2014-2015 Individual Salary Agreements (Anticipated Executive Session) and Possible Action – This agenda item needs to be moved to Executive Session.
- f) Discussion re: Confidential Attorney – Client Communication (Anticipated Executive Session) – This agenda item needs to be moved to Executive Session.

- g) Discussion re: Litigation Issue (Anticipated Executive Session) – This agenda item needs to be moved to Executive Session.

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to move Agenda Items #10(e) Discussion re: 2014-2015 Individual Salary Agreements, #10(f) Discussion re: Confidential Attorney – Client Communication and 10(g) Discussion re: Litigation Issue to Executive Session to be held at the end of the Board meeting after Agenda Item #14 Public Comment; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

12. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – None

13. NEXT AGENDA PLANNING – Safety Policies

14. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

MOTION: I. Rogers moved to enter into Executive Session and to invite Mrs. Megan Jenkins, Mr. David Yellen, Mrs. Diana Cormier and Mrs. Sally Keating to discuss Agenda Items #10(e) Discussion re: 2014-2015 Individual Salary Agreements, #10(f) Discussion re: Confidential Attorney – Client Communication and #10(g) Discussion re: Litigation Issue; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:31 pm

The Board ended Executive Session at 8:45 pm

No motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

MOTION: M. Krauss moved to approve Linda Beams' Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Avery moved to approve Linda Gray's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Krauss moved to approve Courtney Kinmonth's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Avery moved to approve Robin Gore's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; J. Lewerk seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: J. Lewerk moved to approve Micheline Plourde's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Avery moved to approve Ellen Sobanski's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: J. Lewerk moved to approve Kelly Wezner's Employment Agreement for 2014-2015 as presented; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M. Avery moved to re-enter into executive session; I. Rogers seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:47 pm

The Board ended Executive Session @ 9:28 pm

No motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: J. Lewerk moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 p.m.; M. Krauss seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,



Recording Secretary

Approved

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