

**LISBON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Lisbon, Connecticut**

**Board of Education Minutes**  
**Monday, October 15, 2012**  
**Regular Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.**

Board Members Present: R. Baah (Chair), J. Jencks, M. Krauss, P. Allyn, J. Marshall, I. Rogers, J. Lewerk, R. Rogers (arrived @ 7:03 pm)

Board Members Absent: M. Burelle

Administrators Present: S. Keating (Superintendent), B. Austin (LCS Principal), D. Cormier (Business Manager), K. Graves (CCHS Acting Director)

Administrators Absent: L. Slocum (Special Education Director)

Student Ambassadors Present: B. Cormier, S. Way, L. LePage

Student Ambassadors Absent: None

Others: L. Gallagher

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair R. Baah called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by the Student Ambassadors

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

R. Baah read a letter from Steve Brown thanking the Board for their support of the Student Ambassador Program.

5. **LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENT AMBASSADORS REPORT:**

B. Cormier reported that the Yankee Candle fundraiser has finished. The money will go towards the class trip to Boston. In Language Arts, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are working on their second book report which is on Historical fiction. The students are testing their bridge designs in science and are studying the thirteen colonies in social studies. B. Cormier also stated that the Lisbon sports teams are doing well. The boys soccer team and the boys and girls cross country teams are undefeated.

S. Way reported that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are working on integers in math and land forms in social studies.

L. LePage stated that the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have just finished a volume unit in science and the warm fuzzy unit in social studies.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** J. Lewerk moved to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2012 Regular Board of Education Meeting as presented; M. Krauss seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **7. ADMINISTRATORS' / SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- a) B. Austin reported that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students high school visits are all scheduled. Within the next two weeks, Ledyard Agriculture Program, Grasso Tech, Norwich Tech, Marine Science Magnet High School and Arts at the Capital Theater will be doing a presentation at Lisbon Central School. The students went to Griswold High School on October 10<sup>th</sup> and will be visiting Norwich Tech and Science and Technology Magnet School on November 1<sup>st</sup>. The students will also be visiting Norwich Free Academy on November 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be open houses at all the schools so that parents may take a closer look at the options. Students have been asked where they would like to attend just to get an idea. By March we usually have a more definite idea of where the students will be attending. Last week was Fire Prevention week and our students attended Fire Prevention Events at the Lisbon Fire Department on October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Lisbon Fire Department and especially Mr. LaBonte for organizing it. The PTO will be running the Trick or Trunk Halloween Evening from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm. In addition, a series of "Halloween" themed movies will be playing in the LCS Cafeteria following Trick or Trunk for PK – 5th Grade, and a dance will be held for 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the gymnasium. The Mattson family donated a 40 inch flat screen television to the Day Care Program. Great job to Mrs. Beams and her staff. Lastly, Family Literacy Night will be held on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm in the cafeteria. Students from PK through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be attending. There will be booths and activities to enhance the knowledge and practice of literacy skills, professional storytellers, book swap, local author and a power point presentation for parents regarding our Reading Street program. It will be a fun night for everyone.
- b) K. Graves discussed the hiring of the new math teacher as well as math and literacy instruction at the high school.
- c) D. Cormier discussed the status of the special education tuition account and the regular education tuition account for this school year.
- d) S. Keating read a report from Brian McGlew with regards to maintenance. The inspection report for the water storage tanks has been received. Aqua Compliance Co came in over one weekend and drained the tanks and cleaned out any sediment in them. All the tanks are in very good condition, but they do have some issues with paint blistering on the inside of them. The Aqua Compliance Co. recommended that we address these spots within the next two years. Last week, Brooks Environmental Company came in and conducted our asbestos site inspection and no issues were found. Their next visit will be in about six months. They will also be overseeing our five year radon inspection testing. This should begin the last week in November. S. Keating reviewed the math professional development with the Board. One teacher from each grade level K through 8 will be attending a series of workshops and will share the information with their colleagues.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** I. Rogers moved to approve the monthly expenditures for September 2012, Fiscal Year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$25,456.41; J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION:** I. Rogers moved to approve the monthly expenditures for September 2012, Fiscal Year 2012-2013 in the amount of \$486,975.99; J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION:** I. Rogers moved to approve the financial statement for September 2012, Fiscal Year 2011-2012 as presented by the Administration; J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION:** M. Krauss moved to approve the financial statement for September 2012, Fiscal Year 2012-2013 as presented by the Administration; J. Marshall seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

R. Rogers arrived at 7:03 p.m.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS / OLD BUSINESS

- a) Community Connections High School's 2012 CAPT Results – Dr. Graves and S. Keating gave a brief overview of CAPT testing and how students performed upon retaking the test. Information was distributed to the Board members.
- b) 2013 Schedule of Board of Education Meetings – The schedule of meetings must be filed no later than December 1, 2012 with the Town Clerk. The Board reviewed the schedule given to them in their packets. Discussion was held.

**MOTION:** M. Krauss moved to approve the 2013 schedule of Board of Education meetings with changes as discussed. J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

- c) Second Read of Policy #4132/4232 Personnel – Certified and Non-Certified – Dress and Grooming – This is a second read of this policy with the revision proposed at the September Board of Education meeting.

**MOTION:** I. Rogers moved to adopt Policy #4132/4232 Personnel – Certified and Non-Certified – Dress and Grooming as presented; J. Jencks seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

- d) Amendment to Policy #1120 Community Relations – Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings – This policy is currently in place, however, on the advice of our attorney, the policy needed to be amended. Discussion was held.

**MOTION:** M. Krauss moved to waive the first read of Policy #1120 Community Relations – Public Participation at Board Meetings; J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION:** J. Marshall moved to approve the amendment to Policy #1120 Community Relations – Public Participation at Board Meetings with addition of #7. Special meetings typically do not include public comment unless added to the agenda or permitted by the Board Chairperson.; M. Krauss seconded.

**VOTE:** Yes – P. Allyn, J. Lewerk, M. Krauss, J. Marshall, R. Rogers, R. Baah, J. Jencks  
No – I. Rogers

**MOTION CARRIED**

- e) Discussion and Possible Action re: Contractual Agreement(s) – The Board reviewed the recently ratified Agreement between the Lisbon Board of Education and Municipal Employees' Union "Independent" SEUI Local 506, AFL-CIO, CLC for July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017. A summary page providing pertinent highlights was given to the Board.

**MOTION:** R. Rogers moved to ratify/approve the proposed Agreement between the Lisbon Board of Education and Municipal Employee' Union "Independent" SEUI Local 506, AFL-CIO, CLC effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017; J. Marshall seconded.

**VOTE:** Yes – P. Allyn, J. Lewerk, J. Marshall, R. Rogers, R. Baah, I. Rogers  
Abstain – M. Krauss, J. Jencks

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Board also reviewed a summary page for the Professional Agreement between the Lisbon Board of Education and the Lisbon Education Association effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016.

**MOTION:** M. Krauss moved to ratify/approve the proposed Professional Agreement between the Lisbon Board of Education and Lisbon Education Association effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016; J. Marshall seconded.

**VOTE:**

Yes – P. Allyn, J. Lewerk, J. Marshall, R. Rogers, R. Baah, I. Rogers, M. Krauss, J. Jencks

No – R. Rogers

**MOTION CARRIED**

- f) Discussion re: "Project O" – The "Project O" trips were deleted from the budget for this school year. The science teachers are requesting a reconsideration of this activity by the Board. The cost is approximately \$3,300. S. Keating stated that S. Brown has gone out of his way to advocate for this program and explain its importance.

**MOTION:** I. Rogers to reinstate "Project O" for the 2012 – 2013 school year; J. Jencks seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

- g) Community Connections High School Rental Agreement

**MOTION:** J. Lewerk moved to move Agenda Item #9(g) Community Connections High School Rental Agreement to Executive Session to be held at the end of the Board meeting after Agenda Item #13; J. Lewerk seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS – The Negotiations Committee have finished negotiating two contracts.

11. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

12. NEXT AGENDA PLANNING – Policy #1312 – Community Relations – Public Complaints

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

L. Gallagher (LEA President) – stated that it was a pleasure working with the Negotiations Committee with regard to the Contract.

**MOTION:** I. Rogers to move to enter into Executive Session and to invite K. Graves, D. Cormier and S. Keating to discuss Agenda Item #9(g) Community Connections High School Rental Agreement; M. Krauss seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Board entered into executive session at 8:15 pm.

The Board ended Executive session at 9:05 pm.

No motions were made and no votes were taken during executive session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** J. Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m.; M. Krauss seconded.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS

**MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,

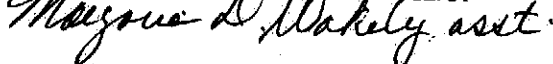
  
Recording Secretary

Approved

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ATTEST: LAURIE TIROCCHI, TOWN CLERK

  
Maurice D. Makely, asst.