The regular meeting of the Lisbon Board of Education was held on Monday, April 25, 2011 and was called to order by Chairman, R. Baah at 6:32 pm.

nembers Present: I. Rogers, R. Baah, L. Herring-Sylvestre, M. Krauss, M. Burelle, S. McCabe, R. Browne,

R. Rogers, J. Marshall

Members Absent:

None

Administrators Present: S. Keating, L. Slocum, D. Cormier, H. Mileski

Administrators Absent: B. Austin

Student Ambassadors Present: B. Way, K. Hong, B. Cormier

Student Ambassadors Absent: None

Others: D. Gauthier, S. Brown, M. Mlyniec, A. Gonzalez, T. Brodeur, J. Benjamin, J. McCloud

The Student Ambassadors led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Public Comments:

T. Broduer asked the Board permission to name the Courtyard in honor of a student that has recently passed.

Motion by R. Browne to add Naming of the Courtyard to the agenda. Seconded by S. McCable. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

## Lisbon Central School Ambassadors Report:

Way reported that the 8th grade Boston Trip is a few weeks away and the students are very excited. There will be a Spring Band concert on May 27th. The spring sports have all gotten underway.

K. Hong reported that in 7th grade the students are beginning to learn about Europe and Ancient Greece. In Science, the students have been learning about macroinvertebrates. There is a Project Oceanology trip tomorrow and the students are looking forward to this.

B. Cormier reported that in 6th Grade the students are studying muscles in science and in social studies they are learning about Africa.

## Approval of Minutes:

Motion by I. Rogers to approve minutes of March 21, 2011 Board of Education Meeting as presented. Seconded by R. Browne. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

# Administrators' / Superintendent's Report:

a) S. Keating reported for B. Austin regard LCS activities. Mrs. Joly is selling gray sweatpants with a cougar paw print on the thigh. The price is \$17.00. If you are interested in purchasing the sweatpants please stop by the main office to check them out! All checks can be made payable to Lisbon Sports Fund. The third grade was responsible for the assembly this month regarding our Code of Conduct. Their theme was leadership. Great job Mrs. Hungerford, Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Riotte. Mr. Austin introduced the boys basketball team and talked about how impressed he was with their leadership and their academic performance throughout the basketball season. We are thinking of participating in the "Norwich Young Musicians Talent Program" that will be held at Buddy's Dugout in Norwich. Our students will have an opportunity to show off their talents to family and friends. Buddy's Dugout is owned and operated by a Lisbon parent. The date will be determined. Great news! Field day will be

back this year with a twist. Mrs. Joly and Miss Sweet will be chairing this event. Field day shirts will be available in the near future. More information will follow. Veronica Ballestrini contacted Mr. Austin and would like to come to our school to sing for our students. She might not be a household name that our modern American Idol-era industry is capable of producing overnight, but there is no doubt that Veronica is well on her way to mastering the art of our new media age and bringing a legior of fans with her in the process. I believe it would be an honor for Veronica to visit our school. Veronica is a pop country singer out of Waterford, CT. Norwich Free Academy's Project Outreach will once again be hosting the Larry Pontbriant Memorial Run through Mohegan Park in Norwich, CT. Now in its 4<sup>th</sup> year, the Annual Run will take place on Sunday, May 22, 2011. The Pontbriants are the family that gave us our Automated External Defibrillator. We will be making a contribution to the Pontbriant family from our "jean money" because they were gracious enough to donate a defibrillator to our school.

- b) H. Mileski reported that NEASC will be visiting CCHS on Wednesday. She also reported that she and Mrs. Keating met with a reporter from the Norwich Bulletin last Monday and she will be visiting CCHS tomorrow. H. Mileski discussed the student selection process and application admission for prospective CCHS students.
- c) L. Slocum discussed the topic Extended School Year (ESY) Services. She reported that summer school will run from July 5, 2011 through August 4, 2011 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.
- d) D. Cormier discussed with the Board 2010 2011 projections. A list of items that need to be addressed before the end of the school year in order of priority will be compiled and the Finance Subcommittee will review for approval.
  - Motion by R. Brown to investigate bids on the ramp (front of building) and security system. Seconded by J. Marshall. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.
- e) S. Keating reported on the break-in that happened Friday night (April 22<sup>nd</sup>) between midnight and 1:00 am. The intruder(s) smashed a window in the hallway near the business office. B. Austin discovered the break-in on Saturday around 5:15 pm. The police were called and B. McGlew, R. Baah, B. Austin and S. Keating walked through the building looking for damage. S. Keating reported that she viewed the surveillance tapes with B. McGlew and agreed with Trooper Washburn that the intruder(s) appeared to know the school very well. G. Bugbee from CCAT was contacted and came to LCS to get the tapes for the police.
  - S. Keating also gave an update with regards to the Private Investigator. She reported that T. Viens has been secured to investigate residency issues. Attorney Mooney stated that a student's residency is the administration's responsibility to act on. The Board is not to be directly involved with the process just in case the issue goes to a hearing where the Board would then hear both sides and render a decision.

#### Consent Agenda:

Motion by R. Browne to approve monthly expenditures for March 2011 in the amount of \$507,975.25. Seconded by L. Herring-Sylvestre. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

Motion by M. Burelle to approve the financial statement for March 2011 as presented. Seconded by J. Marshall. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

#### New Business / Old Business:

a) All-Star Basketball Camp Proposal – A. Gonzalez presented a proposal regarding the All-Star Basketball Camp returning to LCS for July 25, 2011 – July 29, 2011.

Motion by M. Krauss to approve A. Gonzalez's proposal regarding the All-Star Basketball Camp returning to LCS for July 25, 2011 – July 29, 2011. Seconded by I. Rogers. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

Recommendation for Adoption of Age Appropriate Science Media for Grades PreK - 5. D. Gauthier presented the list of science resources being proposed for future use by Grades PreK - 5.

Motion by I. Rogers to adopt age appropriate science media for grades PreK - 5. Seconded by R. Browne. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

c) Recommendation for Adoption of the Pearson Interactive Science 2011 Series for Grades 6-8-S. Brown and M. Mlyniec presented a proposal regarding the adoption of Pearson Interactive Science 2011 Series for Grades 6-8.

Motion by I. Rogers to adopt the Pearson Interactive Science 2011 Series for Grades 6-8. Seconded by S. McCabe. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

d) 2011-2012 Draft Calendar Proposal – S. Keating reviewed the 2011 – 2012 draft calendar/proposal. The draft is based upon the regional calendar concept.

Motion by S. McCabe to approve the 2011 - 2012 draft calendar as the official 2011 - 2012 calendar for the Lisbon School System. Seconded by R. Brown. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

e) Request for Letter to Tom Sparkman regarding Paving of the LCS Parking Lot – R. Baah stated that a Board motion is needed to have a letter written by the Board to Tom Sparkman requesting that he put the paving of the LCS parking lot in the Capital and Nonrecurring line for next year.

Motion by M. Burelle to request the Lisbon Board of Education to write a letter to Tom Sparkman asking that he put the paving of the LCS parking lot in the Capital and Nonrecurring line for next year. Seconded by L. Herring-Sylvestre. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

f) High School Transfer Request – S. Keating reviewed with the Board a letter requesting that a student be allowed to transfer from CCHS to GHS for the 2011 – 2012 school year.

Motion by M. Burelle to move Item #9(f) High School Transfer Request to executive session. Seconded by I. Rogers. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

## Committee Report:

Policy Committee – M. Krauss reported that she and J. Marshall attended a workshop on Social Networking Sites and will be working on developing a policy.

## Additions to the Agenda:

Naming of the Courtyard - the Board discussed this issue.

Motion by R. Browne to leave the courtyard the way it is and to offer other options such as a tree, brick, artwork or scholarship to honor the student who recently passed. Seconded by L. Herring-Sylvestre. Yes – J. ushall, R. Baah, R. Browne, M. Krauss, I. Rogers, M. Burelle, L. Herring-Sylvestre. No – R. Rogers, S. Cabe. Motion carried.

Next Agenda Planning: None

#### **Public Comments:**

- J. Benjamin stated that the computer programs the students use at home for research are not covered by all virus software. She also stated that the Administration should take each personal situation into account when it comes to residency.
- J. McCloud reported that the PTO Movie Night will be held on Friday, April 29th.

Motion by M. Burelle to enter into executive session and to discuss the High School Transfer Request, Seconded by I. Rogers. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 8:33 pm.

The Board ended executive session at 9:02 pm.

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

Motion by L. Herring-Sylvestre to approve the request for a student to transfer from CCHS to GHS for the 2011 – 2012 school year. Seconded by I. Rogers. Yes – M. Burelle, L. Herring-Sylvestre, R. Baah, J. Marshall, M. Krauss, I. Rogers and S. McCabe. No – R. Rogers, R. Browne. Motion carried.

Motion by R. Browne to adjourn. Seconded by J. Marshall. Unanimously voted. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary

Approved

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