



**Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the
Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education
held on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at
the Administration and Services Center**

Summer Putnam, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Mike Nolan arrived at 9:07 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Brad Haggadone, Mike Nolan, Lisa Novak, Summer Putnam and Craig Watson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Keller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Craig Watson led the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Summer Putnam read the following statement: *A Board meeting is a meeting of school district business held in the public; it is not a public meeting. The Board is not going to respond to those making public comment, but will direct the Superintendent to follow up with the presenter. Thirty minutes is set aside for public comment so each presenter is being asked to keep their comments brief. The Board does not comment in public on any student or employee, and ask the presenters to be respectful of any person they comment about.*

Myra Bray, Mary Holbrook and Carol Brown addressed the Board of Education.

ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

Board Member, Denise Becker, disclosed that she has family members in both the Lapeer Educational Support Personnel (LESP) and (Lapeer Education Association) LEA bargaining units and would therefore have to abstain when voting on either unit's contracts.

Board Member Fiduciary Disclosures

Mr. Nolan continues to serve as the attorney to the City of Lapeer.

Authorization to Execute Checks

Moved by Brad Haggadone, supported by Lisa Novak, that the President and Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations be authorized to sign checks for the Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Further be it resolved that the Superintendent (or Designee), Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations, and the Director of Finance be authorized to make phone transfers and execute transfers between school accounts by telephone or on-line banking software. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Bank Depository Designations

Moved by Lisa Novak, supported by Denise Becker, that PNC Bank, ChoiceOne Bank and Trust, Michigan School District Liquid Assets Fund (MILAF), JPMorgan Chase Bank, Bank One, and

Comerica Bank be depositories for funds for the Lapeer Community School District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Authorization to Invest

Moved by Denise Becker, supported by Craig Watson, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations be authorized to invest funds for the district in accordance with State Law and Board of Education policy and that the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations be specifically authorized to utilize pooled investment accounts as permitted by State Law and Board of Education Policy at ChoiceOne Bank and Trust, PNC Bank, Comerica Bank, MBIA, Michigan Class, and Michigan School District Liquid Assets Fund (MILAF) and/or their successor. The intent of this resolution is not to limit the use of pooled investment accounts but to identify those banks and investment pools being used or being considered for use at this time. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Appointment of Legal Counsel

Moved by Mike Nolan, supported by Brad Haggadone, that Taylor, Butterfield, Howell, Churchill, and Garner PC be appointed local legal counsel, and that the following firms be used on an as needed basis for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021: Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone; P.L.C., Clark Hill, P.L.C; The Murray Law Group; Finegan and Murray; Dean and Fulkerson, P.C.; Lusk Albertson; Beier-Howlett; and Collins and Blaha P.C. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Appointment of Board Bargaining Teams

Moved by Craig Watson, supported by Mike Nolan, that the Executive Director for Human Resources be appointed as chief spokesperson to serve along with the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations and other management staff as needed on 2020-2021 Board bargaining teams. These teams will represent the Board in bargaining of successor contracts, and the Board provides each team all authority under the Public Employment Relations Act with the exception of authority to ratify a collective bargaining agreement. Further, the Superintendent is authorized to change team composition by adding or subtracting management staff members as deemed appropriate and provide full and complete direction to the Board bargaining teams relating to all matters pertaining to bargaining. The Superintendent is also authorized to contract with consultants following review with the Board Personnel Committee. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Appointment of Board Building Partners

Moved by Brad Haggadone, supported by Lisa Novak, that the Board President be authorized to appoint members as Building Partners for each school for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Regular Board Meeting Dates

All Meetings will be held in the Board Room at the Administration and Services Center

DATE	TIME	
August 5	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
September 2	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
October 7	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
November 4	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
December 2	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
January 6	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting

February 3	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
March 3	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
April 7	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
May 5	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
June 2	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting
June 30	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting

Moved by Denise Becker, supported by Lisa Novak, that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, meetings of the Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education be held in the Board Room at the ASC on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM when possible. This year there will be an exception to this in June. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Location of Public Comment

Moved by Lisa Novak, supported by Craig Watson, that Public Comment be placed at the beginning of each meeting following the "recognition/presentation" portion of the agenda. If the Board has no recognition/presentation, the public comment section follows the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Authorization to Participate in Cooperative Purchasing Programs

Moved by Mike Nolan, supported by Brad Haggadone, that the district be authorized to participate in the cooperative purchasing program administered through the Genesee Intermediate School District for general school supplies, and that the district be authorized to participate in any other cooperative purchasing programs that are deemed to be in the best interest of the district including those types of programs that are defined as third party bids. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Authorization for Student Advocacy and Communications Committee to Hear Student Transportation Appeals

Moved by Denise Becker, supported by Craig Watson, that the Student Advocacy and Communications Committee be authorized to hear student transportation appeals; that the committee may grant, deny, or provide an alternative to the request; and that the decision of the committee is final. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORT

Mike Nolan reported on the Personnel Committee meeting that took place on July 7, 2020 where the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Contracts were discussed.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Grouping

1. That the minutes from the June 24, 2020 Board Meeting be approved as presented.
2. That the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) Membership for 2020-2021 be approved as presented.
3. That the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Membership Resolution be approved as presented.
4. That the second reading of Board Policy 8460 – COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan, Mitigation, Self-Reporting, Leave of Absence be approved as presented.

Discussions took place regarding the value of renewing the MASB membership for the 2020-21 school year.

Moved by Lisa Novak, supported by Denise Becker, that the reading of the minutes be waived and the consent agenda items be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Technology Service Agreement with Oakland ISD

Moved by Brad Haggadone, supported by Lisa Novak, that the Technology Service Agreement with Oakland ISD be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Lisa Novak, supported by Denise Becker, that the Board move to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent contracts. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting convened in closed session at 9:22 AM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Brad Haggadone, Mike Nolan, Lisa Novak, Summer Putnam and Craig Watson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Keller

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Wandrie, Kim Seifferly and Mary Moss

The Board and others discussed the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Contracts.

Meeting returned to open session at 9:41 AM.

Assistant Superintendent Contract

Moved by Mike Nolan, supported by Denise Becker, that the Assistant Superintendent Contract be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Contract

Moved by Mike Nolan, supported by Brad Haggadone, that the Superintendent Contract be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Board Member Communications/Topics

Mike Nolan disclosed that he is still the attorney for the City of Lapeer.

Brad Haggadone reminded everyone that the Lapeer Football Golf Outing will be this Saturday at the Lapeer Country Club.

Craig Watson reminded everyone that the LeaderFund Par 3 golf outing will take place on August 29, 2020 at the Metamora Golf & Country Club.

Board President, Summer Putnam thanked everyone for their efforts in working through the COVID-19 shutdown.

Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Wandrie thanked the Board for their support in approving not only his contract, but Assistant Superintendent, Mark Rajter's as well.

He stated that, as of today, we will be starting year-round school with face to face instruction. A district communication with frequently asked questions will be distributed later today. It is important for our students that we return to face to face with guidelines for safety. He did indicate that this could change given new information and that the district is prepared for virtual learning.

He explained to everyone his reasoning for wanting to stay at Lapeer Community Schools and is excited to lead us into these unprecedented times.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Lisa Novak, supported Mike Nolan, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Haggadone-aye; Nolan-aye; Novak-aye; Putnam-aye and Watson-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:11 AM.

Lisa Novak, Board of Education Secretary