



**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education  
held on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at  
the Administration and Services Center**

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Mike Keller, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Wendy Byard, Bradly Haggadone, Mike Keller, and Mike Nolan.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Peggy Bush and Gary Oyster.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Becker led the Board and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**REPORT**

**Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee** – Wendy Byard reported on the February 16 meeting when the following items were discussed: Strategies for Success; PSAT Data; and an Overnight Trip Request for Zemmer Student Council students to travel to Maple City, Michigan on May 3-6.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**2014-2015 Enrollment Summary** – Matt Wandrie, Kim Seifferly, and Mark Rajter reviewed the enrollment figures from October 2014 to October 2015, including trend information over the last few years. With 2/3 of the traditional schools in the State of Michigan experiencing declining enrollment, student count is down more than 222,000 state-wide since 2002-2003. The House Fiscal Agency is projecting the overall decline to continue for the next few years, but at a slower rate. Kim Seifferly explained that as a declining enrollment district, Lapeer continues to graduate more students each year than the number of kindergartners that enroll for the subsequent year.

In order to balance the budget over the past few years the District has taken significant steps and consolidated buildings, sold property, and restructured the elementary boundaries. Employees have also taken many concessions through negotiations along with employee reductions and restructuring. Through all this the District has implemented innovative programming, continues to work on “branding” enhancements and marketing, began a partnership with the community via the LeaderFund, and made improvements on our facilities.

Along with finalizing enrollment projections for next year the administration will take into consideration outside factors such as revenue updates and legislative adjustments to

make a budget recommendation for 2016-2017. Kim Seifferly and Mark Rajter are continuing to hold Alternative Compensation Meetings with the unions looking for ways to save money and unique ways to compensate employees that haven't been used in the past.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Nolan, supported by Mrs. Byard, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Haggadone-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

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Peggy Bush, Board of Education Secretary