



**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Lapeer Community Schools Board of Education  
held on Thursday, February 6, 2014 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 (arrived at 7:05 PM), Wendy Byard, Mike Keller, Mike Nolan, Jonathan Nugent, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: Peggy Bush

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**PRESENTATION**

Lapeer West Principal Tim Zeeman, along with teachers and students presented information on how Lapeer West High School promotes education and supports the whole child both socially/emotionally and academically.

Board members thanked Mr. Zeeman, students and staff for their presentation.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Mike Keller 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.*

Crystal Hamlin-Flood addressed the Board of Education.

**REPORTS**

**Personnel Committee** – Mr. Oyster reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting that was held on January 31 when Policy and Administrative Guideline 3131 Reduction of Professional Staff and Employment of a Non-US Citizen was discussed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Consent Items**

1. That the meeting minutes from the January 9, 2014 Board of Education Meeting be approved as presented.
2. That the meeting minutes from the January 30, 2014 Work Session be approved as presented.
3. That the following policies be approved for second reading and adoption: Policy 2431.02 Managing Heat and Humidity in Interscholastic Programs; Policy 5340.01 Concussions and Athletic Activities; Policy 6520 Payroll Deductions; and Policy 8800 Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observations.
4. That the East Key Club be allowed to travel to Grand Rapids on March 14-16, 2014.

Moved by Mrs. Byard, supported by Mr. Oyster, that the reading of the minutes and policies be waived and the consent agenda items be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

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### **First Reading of Board Policy 3131 Reduction and Retention of Professional Staff**

Moved by Mrs. Becker, supported by Mrs. Byard, that the reading be waived and Policy 3131 Reduction and Retention of Professional Staff be approved for first reading. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

### **First Reading of Board Policy 8120 Iran Sanctions Act Compliance**

Moved by Mrs. Becker, supported by Mr. Oyster, that the reading be waived and Policy 8120 Iran Sanctions Act Compliance be approved for first reading.

After discussion, Mrs. Becker withdrew the motion, and Mr. Oyster withdrew his support. Mr. Wandrie will review the policy and bring it back to a Board Committee for further discussion.

### **Elementary Secure Entrance Bids**

Moved by Mr. Nolan, supported by Mr. Oyster, that the Elementary Secure Entrance Bids be awarded to Usztan Construction for an amount not to exceed \$60,292.00. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Resolution to Authorize Approval of Schickler and Zemmer City Annexation**

Moved by Mr. Nugent, supported by Mr. Oyster, that the Resolution to Authorize Approval of Schickler and Zemmer City Annexation be approved as presented. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-abstained; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board members expressed gratitude and appreciation to the District's bus drivers for keeping our students safe especially during the difficult weather we have experienced this winter.

Board members also expressed appreciation for the \$35,000 grant that the District received from Project Lead The Way (PLTW), the nation's leading science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) program. The grant was made possible by a generous donation from General Motors and will support the implementation of the PLTW Engineering curriculum in our district next fall.

Mr. Keller shared that a new bill was introduced in Lansing to help address snow days by allowing districts to extend the school day in order to make up the time lost to cancellations. He also stated that following a Budget presentation in Lansing earlier this week, it is looking as if school districts in Michigan may be seeing a \$100 - \$120 per student increase in State funding this year.

## **SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Superintendent Matt Wandrie explained that he and Assistant Superintendent Kevin Rose presented to 12 members of the House Republican party last week, including the chair of the appropriations committee, Bill Rogers, and representatives from Jase Bolger's office and members of the House Fiscal Agency regarding funding to districts with declining enrollment. One of the recommendations was that the State use existing data to make "Best Practice" decisions. The officials were very receptive to the recommendations and invited them back to present information again in the near future.

Mr. Wandrie congratulated Lapeer East senior Kyle Rachwal for receiving a full-ride football scholarship to Eastern Michigan University.

Mr. Wandrie and Mr. Rose completed a walkthrough at Lapeer East to review recommendations for improvements prior merging of the high schools next year. He commended the administrative staff for the work that they are doing to make the merger successful. He also commended staff for making this year a quality year for the District's seniors. Everyone is making sure that planning for the merger is not taking anything away from the senior year experience for this group of students.

Mr. Wandrie explained that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Innovation Night at Rolland-Warner Middle school had almost 700 people in attendance. He is proud to that there is so much interest within the community in the new programming that will take place next year. The next Innovation Night will be February 11 at Zemmer Middle School.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Mr. Nolan, supported Mr. Oyster, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Byard-aye; Keller-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

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Peggy Bush, Board of Education Secretary