

LaCrosse School District #126
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Monday, September 17, 2018 7 p.m.
School Library

Members Present: Terry Miller, Tami Schwartz, Mike Stubbs, Cat Wigen, Harmon Smith

Members Absent:

Administration Present: Doug Curtis, Jeffery Pietila, Kara Harder

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Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of the August 20, 2018 Meeting were unanimously approved. (Smith/Wigen).

Consent Agenda: Personnel

1. Supplemental contracts approved (Smith/Schwartz)
2. Base contract correction for experience approved (Smith/Schwartz)
3. Personal Services contracts approved (Smith/Schwartz)
4. Basic Education Compliance approved (Smith/Miller)
5. Collective Bargaining Agreement 2018-19 approved (Smith/Wigen)

Communications to the Board

- A. Capital projects: Ned is refining options for board consideration. Sidewalk work is complete. Ag classroom is finished but Mrs. Baser hasn't moved in just yet.
- B. Safety: Safety committee met, preparation of Crisis Plan continues, looking into adding lights to the upper parking lot, and planning for fall drills.
- C. Technology – Jeff Gates report on purchases made with Erate funds.
- D. SJEL Sports update: AD Gates gave an update on fall sports turn out. Board considered a request for the volleyball team to stay overnight in Spokane Sept. 28th for a 2 day tournament. The board voted to move the decision to a committee of 1, consisting of the Board President to approve the travel plan when proper itinerary and information is received and reviewed. The motion passed (Schwartz/Miller).
- E. Board Retreat – Superintendent Curtis suggested the board schedule a retreat for January 2019. Board members requested to move the retreat back to the Dusty Parsonage. Mr. Curtis will find out if it is available.
- F. FFA Travel: Mrs. Baser requested the board to pay \$200 toward former student, Nicole Harder's trip to nationals because she qualified for a national competition. The board approved the motion pending clearance from the school's insurance carrier for coverage

of a former student. (Schwartz/Smith). Mrs. Baser also asked for permission to send 5 students to Denver, CO January 10-13 for a meats competition. Students are to pay for their travel expenses themselves. Motion was approved (Schwartz/Smith).

- G. Legislative Update- Harmon reported on a meeting he arranged with Rep. Joe Schmick, Rep. Mary Dye, Mr. Curtis, Terry Miller, and Kara Harder to discuss the problems with school finance as a result of SB 6362.

Student and School Programs

Principal Report – This year the county PLCs will begin with a session led by Mick Miller on Trauma-Informed Schools.

Our Veteran's Day activity will be on November 13, and I will have details for you next month.

Our Robotics program is underway. This year the theme is "In To Orbit". There are 8-10 kids in the program. This year January is assisting Matt.

On Monday the 24th we will be hosting a Senior planning night here at the school at 7:00 p.m. At the event, staff will work with seniors and their parents to discuss the year ahead.

For the past three years, the Whitman County Prom has been held at the Schweitzer Events Center. We had a 5 -year contract with them, but they have used a clause in the contract to cancel the remaining two years.

This year the secondary staff has committed to teaching the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens. This is a follow-up to the work Doug and I did with the staff last year. We will be using an advisory period on the 2nd and 4th Monday's of the month at the start of the day. We held our first session last Monday.

Next week the staff will be starting their fall book study. We meet on Friday mornings to review a book that we read individually, and then discuss as a group. The first book this year is called Teach Like a Pirate by Dave Burgess.

Finance:

A. Financial Report:

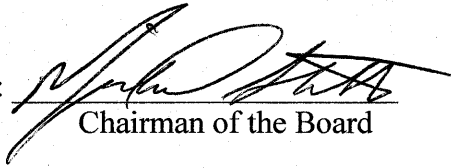
B. Approval of Bills including August payroll, August accounts payable and Sept. accounts payable were reviewed and approved. (Smith/Wigen) Certifications were signed by the directors for the following warrants:

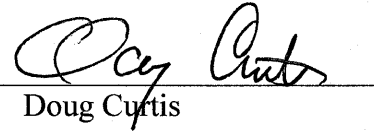
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12607081	to	12607114	in the amount of	\$77,578.80	Sept	GF	A/P

Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:


Chairman of the Board


Doug Curtis