

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 20, 2023

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President, Mrs. Bugni, on March 20, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the High School #169.
2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:  
The following members were in attendance:  
Mrs. Paulson, Mr. Cavanaugh, Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Frisk, Mrs. Nordstrom and Mrs. Waara  
  
Administrative personnel in attendance:  
Superintendent Tollefson, Principal Scroggs & Principal Banyas
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:  
Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the Agenda for the March 20, 2023, Regular Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:  
Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on February 20, 2023. Abstain: Mrs. Paulson. Motion carried.
5. CORRESPONDENCE:
  - A. Library Donation ~ In Memory of Ariane Yoder from Jamie Gough  
Sports Complex ~ Email was received withdrawing the *Request of Naming Sports Complex*
6. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:  
Mrs. Scroggs reported the "Book Fair" was held last week; over \$3,000 was made to buy books for the classrooms and for author visits. *Thank You* to Michelle Seppanen for organizing the event.  
  
Mr. Banyas reported the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class was planning a field trip to Dynamite Hill Farm for the processing of maple syrup. Unify Bowling had their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual trip to the Whirl-i-gig. Forest Fire Prevention Program with the DNR is being planned for grades 11 & 12.
7. STUDENT REPORTS: Callie Frisk, Student Council Rep, reported SLACK held their monthly meeting and are planning a FunRun with proceeds being donated to a children's hospital. Robotics went to Escanaba and will be traveling to Sault Ste. Marie for competition. Band will be going to Gaylord for States competition.
8. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: February ~ Betty Cangemi, *High School Teacher*
9. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None
10. FINANCES:  
Motion by Mrs. Nordstrom, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CCASB Awards

- i. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve Mrs. Emily Maxson for the *Outstanding Education Employee Award*. Motion carried.
- ii. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve Ms. Rebecca Stroube for the *School Service Award*. Motion carried.
- iii. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve Cassius Muszynski for *Student Impact Award*. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the *Resolution for Termination of Agreement for L'Anse-Baraga Community Schools Program*. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Waara to accept the resignation from Michael Banyas as *Jr-Sr High School Principal* effective June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mrs. Waara to accept the resignation from Richard Hartman as *School At Risk Teacher* effective June 10, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve a First Year Probationary Contract for Rebecca Frost, *English Teacher*, effective March 20, 2023. Motion carried.

New Hires ~ Holly Lubzik - *Jr/Sr High School Secretary*  
Katie Martinac – *Accounting Clerk*

Resignations ~ Ashlyn Haataja – *Accounting Clerk*  
Gina Magaraggia – *Jr/Sr High School Secretary*  
Katie Martinac – *JSH Special Education Aide*

D. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the USF bid from Sehi Computers Product, Inc. for \$ 20,508 for 7 UPSs & 4 switches. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve the Digital Controls Project bid from Automated Comfort Controls for \$ 266,200. Motion carried.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: presented in packet

- i. Maintenance-Custodial-Transportation Supervisor
- ii. Elementary (K-5) Principal
- iii. JSH (6-12) Principal
- iv. Superintendent – Nurse applicant will be interviewed Wednesday

13. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- i. Education Resources – did not meet
- ii. Extra-Curricular – did not meet
- iii. Community School Advisory Board – met regarding Termination Agreement
- iv. Finance – did not meet
- v. Library Advisory Board – met regarding Summer Reading Program, Spring Break hours and used book sale on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>
- vi. CCASB – Awards Banquet will be held April 26, 2023 in Houghton
- vii. CCISD – meeting postponed
- viii. Wellness Committee – did not meet
- ix. L.A.S. Foundation – discussed Scholarship packets for seniors & donations
- x. Personnel Committee – did not meet

14. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- A. Jordan Hoover – addressed the Board with student injury issues
- B. Mike Egan inquired about the process for selecting library books & restroom changes to student access since previous meeting. Also inquired about L’Anse & Baraga combining basketball teams.
- C. Chad Cichosz inquired about co-op for baseball with Baraga.
- D. Tim Marczak thanked Board & Administration for the use of the facility for the HOOPS Tournaments. He also commented on the student support from L’Anse at the Baraga Girls Basketball Championship game in Lansing, it was appreciated.

16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:


Mrs. Nordstrom commented on 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade students that attended the *KBIC Job Fair*, they were very well mannered.

Mrs. Bugni wished everyone a Happy Easter!

17. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Frisk to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m.  
Motion carried.

  
KATIE WAARA, *Secretary*

  
JOAN BUGNI, *President*