

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 17, 2023

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President, Mrs. Bugni, on April 17, 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
Excused: Principal Banyas
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the Agenda for the April 17, 2023, Regular Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on March 20, 2023. Motion carried.
5. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:
Mrs. Scroggs announced that there is an Author's Event planned for May 12.

Mrs. Tollefson shared a "2023 Michigan Safety Awareness & Facilities Excellence" award from SetSeg for L'Anse Area Schools. Mrs. Tollefson thanked Mike Roth for his efforts that have been instrumental in promoting workplace safety. We were one of four schools in the state to receive this award.
6. STUDENT REPORTS: Callie Frisk, Student Council Rep, reported juniors took the SAT last week, seniors turned in their scholarship packets, HOSA will be traveling downstate next week for competition and prom is May 6.
7. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: March ~ TBA
8. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None
9. FINANCES:
Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve a resolution for the CCISD to consider designation of Jim Fedie as an Electoral Representative and Joan Bugni as an Alternate Representative for the June 5, 2023, Biennial Election. Abstain: Mr. Fedie & Mrs. Bugni. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve the contract addendum for Susan Tollefson, *Superintendent*, effective July 1, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the contract addendum for Melissa Scroggs, *Elementary Principal*, effective July 1, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the contract for Lisa Cichosz as *Jr/Sr High School Principal* effective July 1, 2023. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported Mr. Fedie to approve the contract for Darrin Voskuhl as *Director of Student Services* effective August 21, 2023. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve the contract addendum for Mike Roth as *Custodial, Maintenance, Transportation Supervisor*, effective July 1, 2023. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mr. Fedie to approve the contract addendum for Joanne Hochstein as *Administrative Assistant*, effective July 1, 2023. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Waara the contract for Darrin Voskuhl as *Athletic Director* effective July 1, 2023. Motion carried.
- I. Motion by Mrs. Nordstrom, supported by Mrs. Frisk to accept the letter of resignation from Bruce Kerry, *Science Teacher*, effective June 9, 2023. Motion carried.
- J. Resignations: Mark Leaf – *Varsity Football Coach*
Jan LaFave – *Varsity Cheer Coach*
Andrea Olsen – *Business Manager*
Kelli Johnson – *Elementary Secretary*

New Hires: Brittany Wadaga – *School Nurse*
- K. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve the locker replacement bid from Rayhaven Group for \$115,670 (6-12 grades). Motion carried.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: presented in packet

- i. Maintenance-Custodial-Transportation Supervisor
- ii. Elementary (K-5) Principal
- iii. JSH (6-12) Principal
- iv. Superintendent – conducting interviews to hire people to fill open vacancies

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- i. Education Resources – did not meet
- ii. Extra-Curricular – did not meet
- iii. Community School Advisory Board – did not meet
- iv. Finance – met twice (3 hours each meeting)
- v. Library Advisory Board – meeting in May
- vi. CCASB – Awards Banquet will be held April 26, 2023
- vii. CCISD – meeting Friday (ISD will assist with Business Manager duties in April until position is filled)
- viii. Wellness Committee – meeting Wednesday
- ix. L.A.S. Foundation – did not meet
- x. Personnel Committee – did not meet

13. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- A. Community member inquired about restroom & locker rooms use for students.

15. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mrs. Bugni discussed Teacher Appreciation Week.

Mr. Cavanaugh thanked the school for allowing him & other community members to hold an Easter Egg Hunt on the elementary playground as 340 children participated and it was a success!

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m.
Motion carried.


KATIE WAARA, *Secretary*


JOAN BUGNI, *President*

