

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 15, 2023

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President, Mrs. Bugni, on May 15, 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 May 15, 2023, Regular Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on April 17, 2023. Motion carried.
5. CORRESPONDENCE:
 - A. Thank You – Becky Stroube
6. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:
Mr. Banyas reported Prom went well, Spring Concert is Wednesday and the Civics class will be going on a field trip to the Marquette Federal Courthouse.

Mrs. Scroggs reported on *ACES Walk (All Children Exercise Simultaneously)*, huge Thank You for Janet Gerzetich for going above & beyond for the recent author presentation; Jerry Pallotta.
7. STUDENT REPORTS: Callie Frisk, Student Council Rep, reported that the Band went to State Festival in Gaylord, elections for Student Council are taking place and the seniors have 7 days left.
8. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH:
 - March ~ Jason Briggs, *Long Term Sub*
 - April ~ Lisa Cichosz, *Head Teacher & MS Math Teacher*
9. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None

10. FINANCES:

- A. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Waara to accept the letter of resignation from Andrea Olsen, *Business Manager*. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve the contract for Alix Mongiat, *Business Manager*, effective May 15, 2023, as presented. Motion carried.

- B. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve Susan Tollefson, *Superintendent*; Amanda Nordstrom, *Board Treasurer*; and Alix Mongiat, *Business Manager*, as signatories for the following accounts: Superior National Bank & Trust, Huntington National Bank and Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus as stated with the exception under Superior National Bank & Trust – *L'Anse High School-Internal Accounting Fund, Vending Machine and Elementary Activity Account* – Melissa Scroggs, Susan Tollefson and Michael Banyas. Abstain: Mrs. Nordstrom. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mr. Cavanaugh, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve to appoint Alix Mongiat, *Business Manager, Assistant Treasurer and Electronic Transaction Officer* to receive record and deposit school funds at the discretion of the Board of Education. The Electronic Transaction Officer will be responsible for the ACH agreements that include payment approval, accounting, reporting and compliance with ACH policy. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve a resolution designating James Fedie as Representative and Joan Bugni as Alternate Representative for the June 5, 2023 Biennial CCISD Election and directing that votes be cast for Full 6 year term candidates Nels S. Christopherson & Timothy J. Palosaari. Abstain: Mr. Fedie. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve support of the Proposed ISD Budget Resolution for 2023-24. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Mrs. Nordstrom, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve the 2023-24 calendar. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve a consulting contract with business manager James English as presented. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported Mrs. Frisk to approve a cost of \$11,000 for in person Skyward Training. Motion carried.
- F. Non-Tenured Teaching Staff 2023-2024 were reviewed.
- G. Motion by Mr. Feide, supported by Mrs. Waara to approve 2023-23 Support Staff Pay Rates as presented. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mr. Fedie to accept the resignation of Marcia Carlisle, *Special Education Teacher* effective June 30, 2023 Motion carried.
- Motion by Mrs. Waara, supported by Mrs. Paulson to accept the resignation of Nicole Maddux, *Jr-Sr High School English Teacher* effective June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve a First Year probationary contract for Kinnon Kurtycz as *Science Teacher* pending Criminal Background Check and PA-189. Motion carried.

Resignations: Lisa Zasadnyj – *Elementary At Risk Aide*
Shawn Minerick – *JV Girls Basketball Coach*

New Hires: Tricia Uzzle – *Accounting Clerk*
Katie Martinac – *JSH Secretary*
Holly Lubzik- *Elementary Secretary*
Sheila Royal – *Varsity Girls Basketball Coach*
Robert Potter – *Varsity Boys Basketball Coach*

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: presented in packet

- A. Maintenance-Custodial-Transportation Supervisor
- B. Elementary (K-5) Principal
- C. JSH (6-12) Principal
- D. Superintendent

13. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Education Resources – did not meet
- B. Extra-Curricular – did not meet
- C. Community School Advisory Board – did not meet
- D. Finance - will meet second week of June
- E. Library – met; discussed summer program & Book Sale held during Spring Break
- F. CCASB – Awards dinner was held
- G. CCISD –Behavior Outreach program for fall
- H. Wellness Committee – met discussed *ACES* and promoting *PACES*
- I. L.A.S. Foundation – met; selling 50/50 raffle tickets during Lake Trout Festival
- J. Personnel Committee – met; went over Support Staff Pay Wages

14. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- ~ Community member inquired about new lockers.
- ~ Community member inquired about restroom & locker rooms use for students.
- ~ A parent inquired about flyers in the school.

16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Honor's Con will be held May 24th.
Graduation will be held June 1st.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m.
Motion carried.


KATIE WAARA, *Secretary*


JOAN BUGNI, *President*