

Regular Meeting November 17, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday November 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the LM Admin Office, 14478 170th St, Letts IA. Directors present included Angie Kemp, Scott Wilson, Pam Lee, Bob Nowak and Eric Schlutz. Also attending were Supt. Mike Van Sickle, Amy Lantigua and Doug McBride along with a few staff members and one student.

Approval of Agenda/Call to Order

President Kemp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Nowak moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

Community Forum

There was no one present to speak in community forum.

Consent Agenda

Lee moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve the consent agenda that consisted of the minutes of the 10/15, 10/20, and 10/30 board meetings, the claims for payment in the amount of \$160,048.28 (activity fund, \$9785.50) and the October financial reports. Motion carried, 5-0.

Reports

Reports were given by the administrators and the athletic director.

Board Policies Series 100, 200, 300 Final Reading

Nowak moved, and Schlutz seconded, to approve the final reading of board policies in series 100, 200 and 300 in their entirety. Motion carried, 5-0.

SBRC Allowable Growth Application for Open Enrolled Out Students

Lee moved, and Nowak seconded, to approve the application to the SRBC for modified allowable growth in the amount of \$20,199 for 3.3 open enrolled out students who were not on our Fy14 student count. Motion carried, 5-0.

SINA Plan

Curriculum Director Amy Lantigua presented the 2014-15 SINA Plan (Year 2). She noted that the data shows the cause for the reading deficiencies to be because the core reading instruction has not been rigorous enough and is not adequately aligned to the Iowa Core standards. Goals and an action plan to address the goals were reviewed.

Board Policy Series 400 First Reading

Nowak moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve the first reading of board policies series 400 with the exception of policy #401.13 "Laptop Computer Policy" that will be reviewed and possibly revised by the Tech Committee at their next meeting. Motion carried, 5-0.

Early Graduation Requests

Wilson moved, and Lee seconded, to approve the early graduation requests from Lexi Goff and Brooklyn Heuer upon successful completion of all graduation requirements. Motion carried, 5-0.

Change in Date/Time of December Meeting

Wilson moved, and Schlutz seconded, to approve a change in the time for the December regular meeting due to a conflict with the winter concert. The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.

Review of Board Goals

Schlutz moved, and Nowak seconded, to approve the board goals as they currently stand. Motion carried, 5-0.

New 7th Grade Exploratory Class

Lee moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve the addition of a 7th grade exploratory class called "Design Thinking" that will provide many of the required elements of the 21st Century Skills. Motion carried, 5-0.

Field Trip and Student Travel Discussion

Supt Van Sickle presented "Trip Guidelines and Considerations" for approving curricular, co-curricular, extra-curricular and national club and organization travel for discussion. Under his plan, a radius for travel was established for co-curricular and extra-curricular activities and the hierarchy of approval was outlined.

PPEL Update

Supt Van Sickle reviewed the PPEL vote informational plans for the upcoming December 2nd election. A number of activities are planned for election day that will bring parents to the district to hopefully make getting to the polls more convenient. An informational flyer will be mailed to all patrons of the district encouraging them to vote.

Snow Removal Bids

Nowak moved, and Wilson seconded, to accept the bids for snow removal from Kemp and Sons Construction LLC for truck and plow services, \$75 per hour and wheel loader or backhoe use, \$95 per hour. Kemp and Sons was the only bidder. Motion carried, 4-0, with Kemp abstaining due to a conflict of interest.

Personnel

- Resignations
Wilson moved, and Nowak seconded, to accept the resignations of Angie Haller from her head VB coaching duties, Derek King from his ass't FB coaching duties and Kelley Emke from her JH VB coaching duties. Motion carried, 5-0.
- Hirings
Wilson moved, and Schlutz seconded, to approve the hiring of Sarah Dotson as a preschool special ed para educator at \$9.25 per hour. Motion carried, 5-0.
- Wage Adjustments
Due to the number of toileting issues in the preschool this year and in keeping with the practice for additional pay for special ed paras for high needs students, an additional \$1 per hour will be added to the pay of the 5 para educators at the preschool: Amanda Beeding, Sunshine Barrick, Michaela Malloy, Lori Hutmacher and Sarah Dotson. Lee moved, and Wilson seconded to approve the increase. Supt Van Sickle stated that the situation would be evaluated and discontinued when/if there is a change. Motion carried, 5-0.

Informational

Current job openings were reviewed, a student hearing and board policy review meeting for Series 500 was scheduled for Monday, November 24th at 5:30 p.m. and future agenda items (report on custodial services, textbook adoption for JH language arts, a report on the consequences of students' behavior and the superintendent's mid-year self-evaluation) were requested and/or reminded.

Adjournment

Schlutz moved, and Nowak seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.

Angie Kemp, President

Karron Stineman, Secretary