

Regular Meeting
March 23, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday, March 23, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Board members present included Scott Wilson, Eric Schlutz, Barbara Thompson, Bryce Hoben and Carol Whittaker. Also present was Supt. Mike Van Sickle.

Call to Order/Approval of the Agenda

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

Community Forum

No one was present to speak at community forum.

Hearing on the Proposed Track Renovation Project and Approval of Same

President Wilson announced that it was the time and the place for the public hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, contract and estimated cost of the summer track renovation project. President Wilson asked for comments from the public. Lucas Newton from MMS Consultants discussed the track renovation project and his recommendation. President Wilson hearing no further comments, declared the hearing closed and asked for a motion to approve the recommended summer track project renovation. Thompson moved to accept the base bid and all alternates (1, 2, and 3) as per the recommendation of MMS Consultants for the track renovation project from Myers Construction Inc. for a total cost of \$824,400. Whittaker seconded. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Hearing on the Proposed 2020-21 School Calendar and Approval of Same

President Wilson announced that it was the time and the place for the hearing on the 2020-21 school calendar. The school year will begin for students on August 24th. It allows for a winter break December 23rd through Jan 4th and a spring break April 2nd through April 6th. The last day of school for students is set for May 21st. President Wilson asked for comments from the public. Mr. Van Sickle reviewed the calendar. President Wilson hearing no further comments, declared the hearing closed and asked for a motion to approve the FY21 School Calendar. Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded to approve the FY21 School Calendar. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Schlutz moved and Hoben seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of the minutes of the February 10, 2020 regular meeting, the March 5, 2020 special meeting, the March 18, 2020 special meeting, the bills for approval and the February financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Supt Van Sickle presented the reports for JH/HS Principal, Chris Parkhurst, Elementary Principal, Aimee Wedeking, Curriculum Director, Amy Lantigua and Activities Director, Eric Gabe.

Approval of Well and Pump Drilling and Installation

Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded a motion for approval of the well and pump drilling and installation for the High School football field irrigation by Latta Well & Pump Corp at a cost of \$13,650 plus \$1,500 for pump testing for a total cost of \$15,150. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Ethernet Services – e-Rate

Schlutz moved and Hoben seconded a motion for approval of Ethernet services for 2020-2021 from Louisa Communications for a 300 MB circuit for \$450 and from Iowa Communications Network a 100 MB backup circuit for \$360 pending e-Rate approval. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Music Groups to New York

Thompson moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the music groups' trip to New York City from April 21, 2021 to April 26, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.

Review of AP World History Course

Schlutz moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the AP World History Course as presented. Ben Corrigan via phone explained the rationale behind the AP World History Course. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement

Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded a motion for approval of the application and agreement to continue in the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool for 2020-2021. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve of FY21 & FY22 LMEA Settlement

Thompson moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the two year LMEA settlement for FY21 and FY22 as presented. The union ratified the two year salary settlement. 2020-2021 package is 3.27%. Base is increased \$400 to \$30,394 (exclusive of \$5300 in TSS funds annually) with \$500 added to each cell in 2020-2021 which includes aging the salary schedule. The 2021-2022 package is for 2.7%, this includes \$200 to base with \$300 added to each cell (exclusive of TSS funds; funds TBD) and includes aging of the salary schedule. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resignations: Thompson moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the following resignations: Jamie Pugh, Junior High Co-Assistant Softball Coach, Sharon Goddard, Head Cook Elementary, Emily Dixon, Administrative Central Office Assistant and Stephanie Gilkerson, Junior High Science Teacher. Motion carried 5-0.

Hirings: Schlutz moved and Hoben seconded to approve the following hirings: Sarah Wenzel, Van Driver, Rebecca Ford, Elementary Special Education 2020-2021 school year and Alexis Goddard, Administrative Assistant. Motion carried 5-0.

Transfers: Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded to approve the following Transfer: Stephen Emrich, FTE1 Sub to HS Math (pending teaching license). Motion carried 5-0.

Informational

Supt. Van Sickle updated the board on Covid-19.

Adjournment

Schlutz moved and Whittaker seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Wilson, President

Charles Domer, Secretary