

Regular Meeting
July 15, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday, July 15, 2024 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Board members present included Scott Wilson, Matt McCleary, Bryce Hoben and Carol Whittaker with Jeff Riggan via zoom. Also present was Supt. Mike Van Sickle with Aimee Wedeking and John Kerr via zoom.

Call to Order/Approval of the Agenda

President Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Whittaker 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.

Consent Agenda

Whittaker moved and McCleary seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the June 17, 2024 regular meeting, the bills for approval and the June financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Superintendent, Mike Van Sickle introduced Ashley Loveless who presented a Community Report via petition. She reviewed the potential of starting a Gray Matters Chapter to promote mental health. Ashley and Alma Brunson provided some materials to share on it. Ashley recommended an L-M Pep Club to promote school spirit and having the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC) meet regularly to encourage community engagement. The board and superintendent said it would review the recommendations.

Board Approval of Bonding Petition

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the bonding petition: Shall the Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine Community School District in the Counties of Louisa and Muscatine, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8,895,000 to provide funds to build, furnish, and equip an addition to the junior/senior high school building for a competition gymnasium, including locker rooms and related spaces. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Secondary Handbook Changes

McCleary moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the secondary handbook changes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Elementary Handbook Changes

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the elementary handbook changes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Concrete Work

McCleary moved and Hoben seconded the motion to approve concrete work from Columbus Concrete Construction at a total cost of \$42,900.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of HS Roller Shades

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the purchase and installation of new roller shades at the high school from Value Inspired Products at a total cost of \$22,970.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of 2024-2025 PowerSchool Access Agreement

Whittaker moved and McCleary seconded a motion to approve the agreement with Grant Wood AEA for 2024-2025 at a cost of \$11,794.62. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of DJ Contract for Homecoming

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the DJ Contract for Homecoming with Double A Sound LLC. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resignations: Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the following resignations: Kelly Teaney: Elem Food Service and Bob McIntyre: Head Football. Motion carried 5-0.

Hirings: Hoben moved and McCleary seconded to approve the following hirings: Kaitlynn Capper: Elem Special Education Teacher, Tom Squires: JH PE Teacher 0.8 FTE and Ken Spielbauer: Health Teacher 0.2 FTE. Motion carried 5-0.

Informational

Board Member Whittaker recommended a book on bullying.

Adjournment

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Wilson, President

Charles Domer, Secretary