

Regular Meeting
May 16, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday, May 16, 2022 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Board members present included Scott Wilson, Carol Whittaker, Barbara Thompson, Bryce Hoben and Jeff Riggan. Also present were Supt. Mike Van Sickle, Chris Parkhurst, Aimee Wedeking and Amy Lantigua.

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 Thompson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Community Forum

Stacy Peterson from the LMEA thanked the board for all they do for School Board Recognition Month. Mark Wehrle suggested some kind of recognition of service be given to Coaches and/or teachers who have left a legacy at Louisa-Muscatine. Supt. Mike Van Sickle thanked the board for all they do for School Board Recognition Month.

Consent Agenda

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded, to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of the minutes of the April 11, 2022 regular meeting, the bills for approval and the April financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Stacy Peterson and Aubrey Sneddon presented the NHS year in review. Mark Wehrle and Ben Corrigan provided a social studies report. Curriculum requirements were reviewed. Iowa History and maps were an emphasis. Reports were given by JH/HS Principal Chris Parkhurst, Elementary Principal Aimee Wedeking and Director of Student Success & Curriculum Amy Lantigua. Supt Van Sickle presented the Activities report. Wilson discussed highlights of the meeting with student council.

Approval of 2023-2024 Drivers Education Services

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded the motion to approve the 2023-2024 Driver Education Services with Mississippi Bend AEA at a cost of \$385 per student as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Cooperative Sharing Agreements with UNI and Iowa Wesleyan University

Hoben moved and Thompson seconded the motion to approve the sharing agreement for student teaching with UNI and Iowa Wesleyan University as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of FY23 Coaching /Sponsor Positions

Hoben moved and Riggan seconded to approve the FY23 Coaching and Sponsor Assignments as presented Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Construction Manager by Notice of Award

Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded to approve Spectra Build as the Construction Manager Agency to assist in the bonding, bidding and building process for 2023-24 referendum work by approving the attached Notice of Award letter as presented. Blaine Dopler of Spectra Build responded to the process following this notice of award. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Food Manager Position

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded to approve the Food Manager Position as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of FY23 Classified Wage Increases & Assignments

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded a motion to approve the FY23 Classified Staff wage increases and Assignments as follows: 1) Increase associate pay \$1/hour. Capped at \$20/hour. 2) Increase building clerical pay \$1/hour. Capped at \$23/hour. 3) Increase paraeducator and foodservice pay \$1/hour for 2022-2023. Capped at \$20/hour. 4) Admin clerical and mechanic would receive a \$1 increase. 5) Salaried would receive a 2.78% increase averaged. 6) Increase base pay for 2022-2023 to \$14 for paraeducators and foodservice, \$15 for clerical and \$17 for head cooks. 7) The district will

contribute \$408 towards the cost of insurance for paraeducators, building clerical, foodservice and head cooks. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase of Air Compressor

Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded to approve purchase of a new Flexzilla Pro air compressor from Wapello Auto Parts at a total cost of \$5,820 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of FY23 Bus Driver Recommendations

Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the following bus driver recommendations for 2022-2023: 1) Increase pay to \$47.50 per Route (\$92.50 Daily). Continue a \$100 upfront bonus per driver. Paid on November check. Add a \$400 year-end bonus based on attendance (Calculated: # days Driven / # days of school * \$400). Motion carried 5-0.

Set Public Hearing on Flexibility Account

Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded to set a public hearing on June 20th, 2022 at 6:00p.m. for the Resolution to expend funds from the district's Flexibility Account for any general fund purpose. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of FY23 Administrative Wage Increases

Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded a motion to approve a 2.78% increase for the administrative staff as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase of Rugged Chromebooks

Hoben moved and Whittaker seconded to approve the purchase of 120 Asus C403 14" Rugged Chromebooks and Google Mgmt Licenses from RTI at a total cost of \$37,920.00 as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resignations: Thompson moved and Whittaker seconded to approve the following resignations: Betsy Buckman: Preschool PLC lead position, Denise Hartlieb: 5th grade PLC lead position, Kali Hills: JH Volleyball Assistant Coach, Hailey Sanders: JH Softball Coach, Rebecca Ford: Elementary Special Education Teacher, Sandi Slater: Elementary Associate and Calvin Simmons: 1st grade Teacher. Motion carried 5-0.

Hirings: Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the following hirings: Austin Leopard: Elementary Physical Education, Savannah McCleary: 5.5 Hour Food Service, Eva Sorrowfree: JH Language Art/Reading, Joe Ramer: Lead JH Softball Coach and Ben Corrigan: Head Boys Basketball. Motion carried 5-0.

Transfers: Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded a motion to approve the following voluntary transfers: Mercedes Specht from 6th grade to 3rd grade classroom teacher position pending suitable replacement. Motion carried 5-0.

Volunteers: Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the following volunteers: Harold O'Brien: Football pending background check, Scott Morel: Football pending background check, Mason McCulley: Football pending background check and Cody Calvelage: Football pending coaching authorization & background check. Motion carried 5-0.

Temp and Current openings were reviewed.

Informational

Supt. Van Sickle discussed custodial services and the interim tech director.

Future Agenda Items

None

Closed Session per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(a) for the Purpose of Conducting the Superintendent's Evaluation

At 8:00 p.m. Whittaker moved to enter closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1)(a) for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent's evaluation. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously. The Board returned to open session at 8:57 p.m.

Approval of Superintendent's Raise

Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve a \$2,700 increase for the superintendent for 2022-2023 with a \$1,500 bonus for 2021-2022. Motion carries 5-0.

Adjournment

Hoben moved and Thompson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Wilson, President

Charles Domer, Board Secretary