

Regular Meeting

July 17, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met in regular session on Monday, July 17, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Board members present included Scott Wilson, Barbara Thompson, Bryce Hoben, Jeff Riggan 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. 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 Riggan seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the June 19, 2023 regular meeting, the July 10, 2023 work session, the bills for approval and the June financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Activities Director, Ken Spielbauer presented his report.

Approval of Board Goals

Thompson moved and Whittaker seconded, to approve the following objectives as revised for each of the five board goals.

Quality School Environment

Weekly random classroom visits by administration to ensure the cell phone policy is being enforced as written. Provide anonymous reports to the board quarterly on results. Cell phones should be stored in a receptacle or container in the classroom or in a student's locker during class time. The exceptions should be lunch, pass time, and possibly homeroom. Suggestions to strengthen the absentee problem and bring recommendations to board.

Qualified and Dedicated Employees

Continue to use Teacher Quality money to promote voluntary TLC cycles. Survey on the effectiveness of PLCs committees.

High Student Achievement

Implement a Character Counts feedback on students to parents along with grades. Design a plan to help improve the Junior High and freshman classes with failing grades.

Excellency in Extra Curricular

Provide the board with an updated LM Hall of Fame guidance for membership regarding coaches and FFA. Review compensation for Extra Curricular duties ensuring we are staying competitive and looking at longevity. Establish an Industrial Tech Club.

Financial Solvency

Maintain 20% solvency rate in the budget and pass PPEL vote. Research Possible Bond Question for Fall 2024 vote. Motion carried 5-0.

Resolution

Thompson moved and Hoben seconded a motion for approve the Revenue Purpose Statement, Ordering an Election on a Revenue Purpose Statement to Authorize Expenditures From Revenue Received From the State Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund, Ordering Election on the Question of Continuing to Levy a Voter Approved Physical Plant and Equipment Property Tax and Impose an Income Surtax; and Ordering the Publication of a Notice of Election. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously 5-0

Approval of Secondary Handbook Changes

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

Approval of Elementary Handbook Changes

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

Permission to Obtain Bus Bids

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded the motion to go out to bid for two minimum 77 passenger conventional style gas buses with an option for a third minimum 77 passenger conventional style gas bus and include the trade in of Bus #14-1 and Bus #14-2. Motion carried 5-0.

Lucas Communication Agreement

Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the cloud based services agreement for the Telephone system from Lucas Communication Inc. at a total estimated monthly cost of \$717.50 upon positive test results as determined by superintendent. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase of Phones

Whittaker moved and Thompson seconded a motion to approve the purchase of Yealink Telephones from Lucas Communication Inc. at a total cost of \$12,527.46. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resignations: Whittaker moved and Riggan seconded a motion to approve the following resignations: Melissa Hill: Bus Driver. Motion carried 5-0.

Hirings: Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded to approve the following hirings: Amie Ayers: Elementary Office/Health Associate pending background check, Andrew Barger: Student Council Advisor, Brittany Nowak: JH/HS Special Education Para and Speech Advisor, Ron Wagner: Assistant Football, Lorenzo White: Assistant Football, Casey Cantrell: Assistant Football and John Fuller: Bus Driver pending background check and endorsements. Motion carried 5-0.

Informational

Supt Van Sickle reviewed the Youth Field project. Scott Wilson noted that Musco has agreed to install lighting on one field for the youth league as a test bed for them free of charge. Supt Van Sickle reviewed the MCC modified agreement for the college connections program. Supt Van Sickle reviewed his Friday update to the board.

Future Agenda Items

The time for the Board Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2023 has been moved up to start at 5:00p.m.

Adjournment

Whittaker moved and Hoben seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Wilson, President

Charles Domer, Secretary