

Ludington Area Schools
Board of Education
Meeting Minutes February 19, 2018

REGULAR MEETING

- I. Call to Order & Roll Call

Board President Steve Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., at Lakeview Elementary School, 502 W. Haight Street, Ludington, Michigan.

Members Present: Steve Carlson, Bret Autrey, Kelly Thomsen, Mary Jo Pung, Mike Nagle, Stephanie Reed, Josh Snyder

Members Absent: None
- II. Agenda Modification - Action Item d.) OJ Middle School Principal Contract Approval
- III. Citizen Participation - None to report.
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - A. Ratification of bill payment per summary dated February 19, 2018
 - General Operating Fund Total \$2,009,433.77
 - Athletic Fund Total \$9,958.67
 - Lunch Fund Total \$91,644.04
 - Total All Funds \$2,111,036.48
 - B. Approval of minutes for the Regular & Organizational Meetings January 15, 2018
Motion by Pung, supported by Nagle, to approve the consent agenda as written and presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- V. Board Committee Reports
 - A. Kelly Thomsen gave the Finance Committee report. The committee discussed the following topics: the State budget, reviewed the final general operating fund budget revision as the result from the proceeds of the 3% refund to employees, discussed the pupil accounting audit that resulted in a .04 deduction for one student, the 2015 payroll audit results with no findings, change of fiscal year for GSRP that will result in a negative \$13,000, changes in At-Risk Funding and the purchase of three buses in accordance with the bus purchase plan.
 - B. Mike Nagle gave the report for the Personnel Committee. The committee reviewed the middle school assistant principal candidates, received an update on the open special education position at LHS due to a staff member moving out of the area. The committee read the memo from the Michigan Department of Education on Library/Media staffing requirements and received an update on the varsity girls basketball position. The Thrun Law Update was also reviewed.
 - C. Mike Nagle gave the Building and Site Committee report. The committee reviewed the facilities improvement plan and Think Tank meeting agenda for February 22nd. Other items of discussion were covered during on the regular meeting agenda.
- VI. Business Manager Report
 - A. Mr. Bruce Doggett presented the general fund second and final budget revision.
- VII. Principal's Report ~ Amber Kowatch, Lakeview School Principal presented her building report of school demographics, programming, professional development, points of pride and school mission.
- VIII. Superintendent's Report and Comments
 - A. Mr. Kennedy shared the list of Oriole Foundation grant award recipients.
 - B. Mr. Kennedy reviewed the budget planning report that has been provided to the District by Eidex. This budget report compares a peer group of ten school districts that are most similar to Ludington. The report compares student count trends, school of choice trends, enrollment and enrollment projections, fund balance, revenue to expenditure ratios, salaries and benefits, instructional expenditures, and operations, maintenance, and transportation expenditures.
 - C. Mr. Kennedy gave an update on school district safety and security protocols. A press release letter on safety and security was distributed via media outlets, the district website and social media sites. The Okay to Say Program was also discussed.
 - D. The State Executive Budget Office Omnibus Budget was highlighted on how it may impact our district.

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- E. Mr. Kennedy shared that forty-one applications were received for the middle school assistant principal position. A committee will be selected and will review those applicants and select candidates for interviews with the intent to bring a finalist for board approval in March.
- IX. Discussion Items
- A. Mr. Kennedy discussed next steps in the Facilities Improvement Plan, 21st Century Skills and Classroom Pilots.
- X. Action Items
- A. Motion by Autrey, supported by Thomsen, to approve the purchase of three buses in accordance with the twenty bus purchase rotation plan funded by our Bus Purchase Fund as presented, (two conventional buses in the amount of \$85,601 each and one transit bus in the amount of \$115,998, for a total of \$287,200 for all three buses.) Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- B. Motion by Autrey, supported by Pung, to approve the three year Mathematics Curriculum purchase in the amount of \$121,735.85 as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- C. Motion by Snyder, supported by Nagle, to approve the General Fund Budget Revision 2017-2018 as written, presented and attached to the minutes. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- D. Motion by Nagle, supported by Thomsen, to approve the Middle School Principal Contract for Mike Hart as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.
- XI. Other Items Of Business - None to report.
- XII. Adjournment
- A. Motion by Autrey, supported by Pung, to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion: Carries.

Mary Jo Pung, Secretary, Board of Education

Approved On _____

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