

LAMONI SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2018

6:00 PM / ROOM 411

SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chip Millslagle, President
Michele Dickey-Kotz, Vice President

Larry Heltenberg
Kris Stevenson

Nate Pierschbacher
Lisa Jones, Board Secretary/Treasurer

Regular Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The Lamoni School Board of Education met in Regular Session, Monday August 13, 2018 in Room 411. Lamoni School Board President Chip Millslagle called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

School Board Members present: Chip Millslagle, Larry Heltenberg, Nate Pierschbacher, Kris Stevenson, Michele Dickey-Kotz
Others in attendance: Chris Coffelt, Alan Dykens, Bob Kelly and Lisa Jones.

CONSENT ITEMS

The following consent items were approved:

- The Consent Agenda, including July 26 Minutes, Financial Report and Summary of Bills. ***Motion by Dickey-Kotz second by Heltenberg.*** All motions carried unanimously.
- Financial reports for General, Management, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Activity reports, Scholarship reports, Lunch Reports, Entrepreneurship and Summary list of monthly bills.

General Fund	\$ 37,487.37	Activity Fund	\$ 391.76
PPEL	\$ 849.20	Management	\$ 808.00
Capital Projects	\$ 36,713.19		

DISTRICT REPORTS

PK-12 Principal Report

Dr. Alan Dykens provided a highlight of upcoming activities, including:

- Math Curriculum training is scheduled for August 15-16.
- A Trauma Informed Care Conference is scheduled for Decatur County on August 20, 2018. Educators from Lamoni, Central Decatur, Mt. Ayr, Diagonal and Mormon Trail will attend to learn strategies for supporting students that have experienced adverse childhood experiences.
- Back to School Night is planned for Tuesday, August 21 at the following times: Elementary, 4-5:30pm; Middle School & High School, 4:30-6:30pm; Freshman Orientation, 5:30pm; and, 6th Grade Orientation, 4:00pm.
- The first day of the 2018-2019 school year is Thursday, August 23.
- The LEEP 4-year old Preschool Program begins Wednesday, August 29 .
- Exploration Academy and the Summer Reading Program were very successful. Thanks to Karen Roberts, Michelle Cray and Amy Sellars for their work with these programs.

Superintendent Report

Three primary topics were reviewed, including:

- ***FY 19 Decatur County and Lamoni Community School District Property Taxes***

Board Directors reviewed the difference between actual and assessed values and reviewed 2018 tax rates on agriculture, residential, commercial and industrial properties. Directors reviewed the expected increase in overall property tax rates and contributing factors, specifically the Iowa Department of Revenue Property Tax Assessment Review, which resulted in a 14% Equalization increase. Directors also reviewed the Lamoni Community School District Property Tax Levy rates from 2017-2018: \$17.816/mil to 2018-2019: \$18.569/mil, an increase of \$0.75 as a result of increasing educational costs, prior year drops in student enrollment, and continued diminished levels of state funding. Finally, Directors reviewed significant components of and considerations for the overall District levy, including the General Obligation Bond that expires in 2025, representing \$2.53 of the overall levy and the fact that this year's District Levy remains lower than in 2010-2011 when the District rate was \$18.77/mil.

The other two topics focused on state legislation that was passed in the last legislative session that has a local impact, including:

- **Senate File 2113:**
Suicide Prevention, ACES Identification and Toxic Stress Response Mitigation Training. Directs the State Board to adopt rules requiring school districts to adopt protocols for suicide prevention and postvention, the identification of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and strategies to mitigate toxic stress response based on nationally recognized best practices. Requires all personnel who hold a license issued by the BOEE to annually have at least one hour of suicide and prevention training beginning July 2019.
- **Senate File 2364:**
Emergency Operations Plan: Requires all public schools to develop a high quality emergency operations plan for the district and individual school buildings. The plan needs to be completed no later than June 30, 2019 and must be reviewed and updated annually by local school boards. The plan needs to include responses to active shooter scenarios and natural disasters.

BOARD LEARNING LINK

Summer Facility Projects were reviewed with Bob Kelly. Projects completed this summer included the following: elementary sewer project, boiler inspection, transition to LED lighting as fixtures needs replaced, waxing of gym floor, water filtration system for drinking fountains, new tables for the Commons area, ADA compliant sidewalk installation at the preschool playground, and new A/C unit installation in the High School Office.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Board moved to approve the hiring of Judi Daily as the 2018-2019 Special Education Coordinator for a one year supplemental contract. **Motion by Dickey-Kotz second by Pierschbacher.** Motion carried unanimously.
2. The Board moved to approve the hiring of Matt Shelton as a Special Education Level 1 Strategist for the 2018-2019 school year, with the agreement to secure and complete the Special Education Level II Strategist requirements. **Motion by Dickey-Kotz second by Pierschbacher.** Motion carried unanimously.
3. The Board moved to approve the hiring of Lisa Kolb as the Drama sponsor for the 2018-2019 school year. **Motion by Heltenberg second by Dickey-Kotz.** Motion carried unanimously.
4. The Board moved to approve the 2018-2019 District's Vision, Mission, Values and Goals. **Motion by Heltenberg second by Stevenson.** Motion carried unanimously.
5. The Board moved to suspend Robert's Rules of Order to review Legislative priorities at 7:20 p.m. **Motion by Heltenberg second by Dickey-Kotz.** Motion carried unanimously.
6. The Board moved to re-enter Robert's Rules of Order at 7:28 p.m. **Motion by Dickey-Kotz second by Heltenberg.** Motion carried unanimously.
7. The Board moved to approve the following 2019 Legislative Priorities for the District: #3 Supporting Preschool, #7 Support Statewide Access and funding for mental health services for children #19 Providing sufficient and timely funding and equalize per pupil funding and equity with transportation costs, #27 Supports repeal of the December 31, 2029 sunset on and renewal of the statewide penny sales tax for school infrastructure **Motion by Heltenberg second by Stevenson.** Motion carried unanimously.
8. The Board moved to approve the 2018-2019 District Employee Handbook with board-requested changes. **Motion by Heltenberg second by Pierschbacher.** Motion carried unanimously.
9. The Board moved to approve the vehicle bid from Pettijohn, A 2018 Dodge Grand Caravan in the amount of \$21,393 to replace the 2009 van in the school fleet. **Motion by Stevenson second by Dickey-Kotz.** Motion carried unanimously.
10. The Board moved to approve the Open Enrollment Application of a High School Male Freshman, transferring from Central Decatur School District. **Motion by Pierschbacher second by Dickey-Kotz.** Motion carried unanimously.
11. The Board moved to approve the 1st reading of the following Board Policies: Policy 105, 410.1, 705.1, 705.1R1, 710.1. and 600 series. **Motion by Heltenberg second by Dickey-Kotz.** Motion carried unanimously.

UPCOMING DATES

- School Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. **Motion by Dickey-Kotz. second by Stevenson. Motion carried unanimously.**