

**Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker Schools
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2014
(Approved Minutes)**

President Baur called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Laker High School Room 211. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Todd Tate, Duane Baur, Kathryn McGathy, Heath Krohn, Dean Smith, Neal Eichler and Mary Frances Tait.

Members absent: none.

Approval of Regular Minutes: Tait moved with support from Tate to approve the minutes dated July 21, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Eichler reported General Fund bills (non-personnel) to be paid for August totaled \$96,487.68; Food Service bills to be paid for August, 2014 totaled \$100.00; and Payroll/Liabilities: (Food Service to General Fund Transfer) totaled \$470.88. Eichler reported the budget meeting was brief because it took place before the official audit, and the state budgetary outlook is constantly changing. We are to expect a more detailed and accurate projection next month. Krohn moved with support from Smith to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Tait moved with support from Smith to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation: Tait read letters from Lynda Graff, Nan Stalter, Gwynne Berry and Janet Raine. There was no interest from the public to address the Board.

Personnel: A resignation letter from Randy Swartzendruber was read by Tait. Swartzendruber was a bus driver for thirty-four years. As a huge supporter of the school district and student body, Swartzendruber's letter of resignation was accepted with much regret and best wishes by Eichler and supported by Smith. The motion passed unanimously. Superintendent Smith and Administration presented a list of paraprofessional recommended for employment for the 2014-2015 school year. After much review and discussion, Eichler moved with support from Tait to approve the recommendations. Motion passed with Krohn abstaining.

Student Handbook: Keim and Dickens presented possible changes to the Student Handbook. The changes are related to Ipad procedures and attendance. The Board expressed their appreciation of the updates in the handbook.

School Report Card: Superintendent Smith reviewed the latest data of the 2014 School Report Card and secondary results.

Administrator Time: Athletic Director Yoder announced the availability of the Fall Sports Schedule. Chief Financial Officer Klosowski reported he is working with Randy Schuette to save money on cleaning supplies that will be used in the school. Superintendent Smith reported on the paint project of the Boys Baseball fence and the savings of hiring a local painter.

Other Business: McGathy offered to represent Lakers at the MASB Fall Conference.

Closed Meeting: Eichler moved with support from Tait to move into closed session for the purpose of consideration of ratification of contracts. Roll call yielded: Baur, yes; Krohn, yes; Eichler, yes; Smith, yes; McGathy, yes; Tate, yes; Tait, yes. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:42 p.m. The Board move into Open Session at 7:07 p.m.

In Open Session, Robert Huber entered the room.

Eichler moved with support from Smith to adapt the ratification of the contracts reviewed. Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Huber addressed the Board and requested a Closed Session. Eichler moved with support from Tate to go into Closed Session for the disclosure to consider confidential attorney-client communication information. Roll call yielded: Baur, yes; Krohn, yes; Smith, yes; McGathy, yes; Tate, yes; and Tait, yes. The Board moved back in to Closed Session at 7:10 p.m.

The Board moved back to Open Session at 7:45 p.m. With no further business before the Board, Tait moved with support from Smith to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary