

Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
February 20, 2017
(Approved Minutes)

President Tate called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Laker High School Room 205. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Todd Tate, Jeff Snider, Matt Horton, Dana Reiter, Keith Hatfield, Heath Krohn and Mary Frances Tait.

Members Absent: none

Approval of Regular Minutes Tait moved with support from Hatfield to approve the minutes dated January 16, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Krohn reported bills to be paid for February 2017 as General Fund \$78,195.98, Food Service \$6,326.81 and Payroll/Liabilities: (Food Service to General Fund) \$16,185.08. Krohn moved with support from Tait to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Tait moved with support from Krohn to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation There were no cards presented and no indication from the public to address the Board at this time. Ample time was allotted.

Anchored in Excellence Dickens introduced Jana Freeman, acknowledging her for her dedication and service as Foster Grandparent in the DK-Kindergarten classrooms. The Board thanked Jana for her positive influence on our young students.

Friend of Youth Keim listed the nominees for Friend of Youth. Discussion ensued by the Board regarding the strong nominees. Tait moved with support from Hatfield to name Doug and Rhonda Buehler as Laker 2017 Friend of Youth to represent Lakers at the 45th Annual Thumb Meet of Champions. Motion passed unanimously.

2017-2018 Board Committees Tate presented the Board Committee assignments for 2017-2018. There was note that the number of committees was reduced to five from seven by consolidating some of the committees.

Personnel Keim announced the recommendation for the Secondary PE Teacher/Head Varsity Football Coach as Steve VerBurg. Tait moved with support from Snider to approve VerBurg's hire. Motion passed unanimously.

Athletics – Spring Coaches AD Weidman presented a list of recommended Spring Coaches. Review and discussion of the list by the Board was followed by Tait moving with support from

Hatfield to approve Junior High Track- Don Manchester, Varsity Track- Tyler Scharf and Steve VerBurg, Varsity Golf – Cam Lackie, Varsity Baseball – Ron Dubs, JB Baseball – open, Varsity Soccer Co-Coaches – Becky Krohn and Katie Maust, Varsity Tennis – Brenda Smith, Varsity Softball – Barry Albrecht and JV Softball – Eric Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

School Funding Keim and Klosowski presented some highlights of Governor Snyder’s proposal of 2017-2018 budget for the State of Michigan. Discussion of information ensued.

Administrator Time Question related to Civil Rights Data Collection was posed to Miklovic. Dickens reported on the elementary introduction of the fish and visiting dog. Etzel not present but the Board thanked him for his follow up to last month’s Board question related to student absences. Keim spoke about the school’s action to bring Lakers to be ADA Compliant Website.

Other Business Consensus as to date and time for Strategic Planning/ Goal Setting Session was set for Monday, March 13, 2017 at 4 p.m. in the High School Library.

Negotiations Tait moved with support from Hatfield to go into Closed Session to discuss negotiations strategy for upcoming staff contracts. Rollcall yielded: Hatfield, yes; Tate, yes; Krohn, yes; Horton, yes; Reiter, yes; Snider, yes; Tait, yes. The Board moved into closed session at 6:34 p.m.

The Board moved back in to open session at 7:30 p.m. Snider moved with support from Krohn to approve the offer of a VSA to teachers who are on Step 10 of the salary scale and have a minimum of 10 years of service to Laker Schools. To be offered beginning March 1, 2017, a one-time payment of \$12,000 for those interested. All responses must be made by April 17, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. and there must be a minimum of two teachers in order to activate the VSP. Motion passed with Tait voting – no.

With no further business before the Board, Tait moved with support from Snider to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectively submitted –

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary