

LaFayette Central School District
Board of Education - Regular Meeting
Location:The Big Picture School Commons Area
3122 US Route 11 North
LaFayette, New York 13084
October 12, 2017

I. Opening

- A. Call to Order - The regular Board of Education meeting for the LaFayette Central School District was called to order at 5:32 pm by President Stephanie Dow. In attendance were Trustees C. Dwyer, J. Gates, J. LeBlanc, M. Whitney, Superintendent Jeremy Belfield, Assistant Superintendent for Business Tiffany Turner, District Clerk Vanessa Tryon, Alessandra Erickson, Kelley Brasket, Jennifer Brasket, Kierstin Rurka, Kristin White, Bart White, Kim Reppi, Jason Ryan, Sue Bang, Jim Kesler, Karen Nasoni and Tania Budge, Bonadio & Co. LLP, Kevin Morel, Crystal Morel, Kelly Fredericks, Kristeen Cool, Anne Courtwright.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Stephanie Dow at 5:33 pm.
- C. Opening Remarks - Superintendent Belfield and Board of Education recognized Kelley Brasket for his exemplary service on September 26, 2017 during the natural gas leak at Grimshaw Elementary.

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. Regular Minutes - September 27, 2017

Motion:Carried 1st: C. Dwyer 2nd: J. Gates

Vote: Yes:4 No:0 Abstain:0 Absent:3 (G.Oelkers, M.Whitney, R.S.Reyburn)

III. District Presentations and Reports

- A. Teen Institute Youth Development Program - Kierstin Rurka was recently recognized by the Teen Institute Youth Development program for choosing to live a lifestyle free of drugs and alcohol. Kierstin will be attending a conference in November to help teach other students about healthy living.

Trustee Mark Whitney entered meeting at 5:40pm

- B. The Bonadio & Co. LLP - External Audit Report - Karen Nasoni and Tania Budge from The Bonadio Group presented the external independent audit for the 2016-17 school year.
- C. Internal Claims Auditor Update - Kimberly Reppi, Internal Claims Auditor, gave the board an overview of claims auditing process.

IV. Old Business

V. Communications

- A. Board Member Updates - Stephanie Dow spoke about the accomplishments of our athletic teams. Both Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys Soccer teams are going to sectionals. Cross country athletes and two golfers qualified for sectionals. Also, our Girls Varsity Volleyball team and our combined football team are going to sectionals.

VI. New Business

VII. Superintendent's Report

- A. Mr. Belfield provided a verbal report on the following topics:
 - 1. Onondaga Nation School Community Longball Game on September 29, 2017
 - 2. Thanked the staff for their efforts during the professional development day on October 6, 2017.

3. Real Property Tax Exemption for Wind, Solar, and Farm Waste Energy Systems Resolution
 - a) President Dow asked for clarification on the proposed resolution. Mr. Belfield provided the following example, A farmer would have to approach the district for a tax exemption for a farm waste energy system. The board would enter into negotiations with the property owner and the town for a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement
4. Feedback to New York State Education on School Calendar Requirements
 - a) Trustee LeBlanc questioned why New York State is questioning half days. Mr. Belfield responded that New York State has audited school district calendars and reduced aid for not meeting state requirements.

B. Consent Agenda

C. Approval of Board Action Items

1. External Audit Report for school year 2016-2017
2. CSE, CPSE, and 504 Recommendations
3. Haz Mat Testing Proposal - Energy and Environment LLC (Proposed by Ashley McGraw)
4. Treasurer's Reports - August 2017
5. Board of Education Policy Review and Update - Third and Final Reading for 2017-2018 School Year
6. Real Property Tax Exemption for Solar, Wind and/or Farm Waste Energy Systems
7. Resolution Authorization Participation in Cooperative Energy Purchasing Service
8. Surplus equipment

D. Approval of Personnel Items

1. Resignation
2. Substitute Appointment
3. Non-Instructional Appointment
4. Instructional Appointment

Motion:Carried 1st:J. Gates 2nd:J. LeBlanc

Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:0 Absent: Absent:2 (G.Oelkers, R.S.Reyburn)

VIII. Board Non-Action Items

- A. Strategic Plan Update - The district is working with PLC Associates to provide assistance with our strategic plan. Later this month, we will begin working on a review of our mission statement with board members, community members, staff members, administrators, students, and parents. The district will provide refreshments during meetings.
- B. The administrators will be working with PLC Associates on a program called leverage leadership. The program will help administrators to work with building staff members on the following: core beliefs, high impact data cycles, learning walks, high impact areas for student instruction.

IX. Calendar Review

A. Upcoming Events

1. 10/13/17 - Pep rally
2. 10/14/17 - Homecoming Game
3. 10/16-10/20 School Bus Safety Week
4. 10/16 & 10/17 Grimshaw Picture Day
5. 10/20/17 - Junior High Halloween Dance

6. 10/26/17 - Boe 6:00pm HS Library

X. Financial Reports - FYI - Assistant Superintendent for business Tiffany Turner gave update on financials from the month of August.

A. Cash Flow - August 2017

B. Budget Status Reports - August 2017

C. Claims and Auditor Report and Warrants - August 2017

XI. Closing Remarks -

A. Public Communications to the Board -

1. Kevin Morel shared that the math department has been updating the course catalog and would like to add another math course. The Business math class has raised \$2,000 for their google field trip. The class needs an additional \$650 for the field trip and they are holding a dodgeball tournament on November 2nd. Students gave a thank you card to the maintenance department for their assistance with the movie night fundraiser.

a) A board member asked for more details about the possible new math course.

Kevin answered it would probably be a college level precalculus course.

2. Kevin Morel provided an update to the board as auditorium coordinator and provided a list of dates for the 2017-18 school year. The projector is out for repair and should be returned soon.

3. Varsity soccer sectionals tournament on Saturday the 14th. Right now they have a 6-7-2 record. Senior recognition will occur Saturday afternoon in between games.

XII. Proposed Executive Session

A. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of employment history and pending litigation at 6:24 pm.

Motion: 1st:J.LeBlanc 2nd:J.Gates

Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:0 Absent: 2 (G.Oelkers, R.S.Reyburn)

B. Reconvene into Open Session at 8:53 pm.

Motion: 1st: J.Gates 2nd: S.Dow

Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:0 Absent:2 (G.Oelkers, R.S.Reyburn)

XIII. Adjournment

A. Adjourn the Meeting 8:54pm.

Motion: 1st: C.Dwyer 2nd:M.Whitney

Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:0 Absent:2 (G.Oelkers, R.S.Reyburn)

Respectfully Submitted,
Vanessa Tryon