

**LA FAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING  
LOCATION: BIG PICTURE SCHOOL  
3122 ROUTE 11  
LAFAYETTE, NY 13084  
May 5, 2016**

I. Opening

- A. Call to Order - The Regular Board of Education meeting for LaFayette Central School District was called to order at 5:34 pm by President Matthew Dodge. In attendance were Trustees M.LaCava, J.Keefe, M.Johnson, T.Scofield, D.Dodge, Business Official Interim Dave Klem, Superintendent Lavine, District Clerk Vanessa Tryon, Jason Ryan, Diane Ellsworth, Jennifer Blossey, Jerry Kelly, Karen Ocque, Jim Kesler, Jim Chupaila, Sue Bang, Maria Nastasi, Jennifer McDonald, Amanda Reppi, Kelly Cook, Renate Brunner, Sue Osborn, Jana Silvestro, Stephanie Pettitt, Marissa Maines, Dawson Maines, Damon Peet, Jeanette Burghardt, Gayle Burghardt, Gerry Peet, Paula Drinkwine, Gavin Slishevsky, Justin Applegate, Rachel Coulter, and Hannah Blum.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance - Was led by President Dodge 5:35 p.m.
- C. Opening Remarks - President Dodge thanked everyone for attending.

II. Proposed Executive Session - Postponed until the end of the meeting.

- A. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_ pm.

**Motion: 1st: 2nd:**

**Vote: Yes: No: Abstain: Absent:**

- B. Reconvene into Open Session at \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_ pm.

**Motion: 1st: 2nd:**

**Vote: Yes: No: Abstain: Absent:**

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Regular Minutes - April 7, 2016 -Amended

**Motion: Approved 1st: M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:4 No:0 Abstain:2 M.LaCava & M.Johnson Absent:M.Whitney**

- B. Regular Minutes - April 21, 2016

**Motion: Approved 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:T.Scofield Absent:M.Whitney**

IV. District Presentations and Reports

- A. 2016-2017 Budget Hearing -Dave Klem presented the Budget

Proposition #1--- Three-part budget: Administrative (8%), Capital (22%), Program (Education which is the largest part at 70%.) There is a decrease in the administration and program parts because of the new capital program increase which is not in dollar amount, just percentage. School Business Official Klem explained the budget and what is contained in each area. The largest part of our budget is employee benefits but that decreased \$18,000 from last year. Debt services increased from \$1.5 million to \$2.2 million. Salaries account for 43.67%, contractual 10%, Boces 12%, benefits 23%, Debt service 12%. Property income taxes will be

going down \$18,000, other fees are going down \$4,000. Our tax cap was 0.14% or \$8001. The district worked very hard to make sure that we were below that at 0.12% or \$6785.

Proposition #2 --- Two new buses - 48 passenger and 66 passenger. We can use a bus for ten years. There are two Board seats open and there are two Candidates.

- B. Grimshaw Art Students - Amanda Reppi spoke of a great opportunity Grimshaw received through Beaver Lake Center. Grimshaw got to choose 5 students whose nature-themed art will be displayed for a month. Gavin, Dawson, Damien, Spencer, and Gabby were chosen from Grimshaw.
- C. Student Leadership Committee - Jim Chupaila updated the Board on the work with student leaders. A committee of seniors representing a broad spectrum of students would take ownership and communicate with the principal about the students' view of school. It has also been helpful for the students to be able to get answers to questions and rumors. Mr. Chupaila recommended including Juniors in the future.

Moving up day at Grimshaw: the Seniors will dress in cap and gown and walk through Grimshaw. Jim Chupaila and Jennifer Blosssey feel that it would serve as encouragement for our younger students and that the graduating seniors who attended Grimshaw would enjoy walking through the halls before they graduate.

#### V. Old Business

- A. Capital Project Update - Jim Kesler said there was not a lot to update. They are still working on the punch list; although they did get a lot completed during spring break week. They met with a vendor for the display case who is working on prices which will determine whether we bid it out. The mailboxes arrived in Grimshaw. They are now looking into molding around the mailboxes to make them complete.
- B. Online Safety and Security - Superintendent Lavine explained that she had a kick-off go to meeting over the internet and telephone. They will repeat the presentation on next Friday's Professional Development half-day. The outcome will be a list of vulnerabilities that we should address. Grey Castle is looking to have the assessment completed in 60 days. They will be on site for two days, then produce a report.

#### VI. Communications

- A. Board Member Updates - Congratulations to Tiffany Turner on her baby girl, and to Winoah McCoy and Patrick McCoy on their baby boy.

#### VII. New Business

#### VIII. Superintendent's Report -

- A. She hopes that the students and staff had a great week off.
- B. Congratulations to: Big Picture for an award they are receiving at University College on May 12 @6 partnership with Ted Center.

- C. Maria Nastasi - was named OCM Boces Librarian of the year.
- D. Ellen Laforte, BOCES teacher at ONS for a technology in music award.
- E. Happy teacher appreciation week to all of our teachers.
- F. Tom Scofield spoke about "Sports Hall of Fame". We will announce candidates in May, induction will be in October. We have thirteen different teams and coaches as well as a contributors list.
- G. Enrollment update - Our enrollment dipped for a couple of years but is now back up to where it was five years ago.

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Tenure Appointments 2016

- 1. Stephanie Pettitt

**Motion: Roll Call**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- 2. Winoah McCoy - Just had her baby boy, not here tonight.

**Motion: Roll Call**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- 3. Amanda Reppi

**Motion: Roll Call**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- 4. Jennifer McDonald

**Motion: Roll Call**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

B. Approval of Board Action Items

- 1. Architect Services - Contract Extension -

**Motion:Carried 1st:T.Scofield 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- 2. Onondaga Nation School Calendar School Year 2016 - 2017

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- 3. 504, CPSE, CSE Recommendations

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

4. Suicide Policy 7540 Revision - Third and Final Reading

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.Johnson 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

5. Surplus of Books

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

C. Approval of Personnel Items

1. Approve the Director of Facilities as the Clerk of the Works for the Hall of Fame Capital Project Work at the Jr./Sr. High School.

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

2. Supervisors' Association Contract

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:1 D.Dodge Absent:M.Whitney**

3. Resolution Authorizing Addendum to Agreement with School Business Official

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

4. Appointment - Instructional Substitute 2015 - 2016

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

X. Board Non-Action Items

A. Strategic Plan Update - Superintendent Lavine thanked Jim Chupaila for his and Jerry Kelly's work with the student leadership committee.

XI. Calendar Review

A. Upcoming Events

- a. Budget vote - May 17th
- b. Grandparents day - May 20
- c. Prom - May 12th
- d. Graduation - June 24th

XII. Financial Reports-FYI

XIII. Closing Remarks

- A. Sue Bang - Maria Nastasi won all of the votes for Librarian Collaborator of the year at OCM Boces. She asked if a special education position at the high school is in the budget. Superintendent Lavine indicated that it is.
- B. Mike LaCava - asked if we are doing the “Scared Straight” before prom? Jim Chupaila indicated that we are gearing towards Graduation Season with programs about distracted driving.
- C. Matt Dodge -announced his resignation from the Board. He thanked Jim Keefe and Tom Scofield for their many years on the Board, and all of the trustees for serving with him. Mark Johnson will succeed him as president.
- D. Superintendent Lavine thanked Matt Dodge for his service as a trustee and his leadership as president. She presented him with a plaque as a sign of the district’s gratitude.

XIV. Proposed Executive Session

- A. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of contract negotiations at 7:00 pm.

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

- B. Reconvene into Open Session at 8:07 pm.

**Motion: Carried 1st:T.Scofield 2nd: M. LaCava**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

XV. Adjournment

- A. Adjourn the Meeting at 8:10 pm.

**Motion:Carried 1st:M.LaCava 2nd:T.Scofield**

**Vote: Yes:6 No:0 Abstain: Absent:M.Whitney**

Respectfully Submitted,

Vanessa Tryon

District Clerk