

**LA FAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
LOCATION: BIG PICTURE SCHOOL
3122 ROUTE 11
LAFAYETTE, NY 13084
April 21, 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 D.Dodge, M.Whitney, J.Keefe, M. Johnson, M. LaCava, School Business Official Turner, Superintendent Lavine, District Clerk Vanessa Tryon, Jason Ryan, Jim Kesler, Diane Ellsworth, David Klem, Damon Derbyshire, Karen Ocque, Teresa Miller, Issac Tenenbaum, Sean Griffin, Lori Tenenbaum, Susan Osborn, Dustin Stout, Sue Bang, Maria Nastasi,
- B. Pledge of Allegiance - Was led by President Dodge 5:35 p.m.
- C. Opening Remarks - President Dodge asked for a moment of silence for Karin McMahon for the loss of her daughter and for Laura Mongellow and the loss of her mother. Thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

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 - Tabled to add the following to the School Business Official’s Budget Report:

- Addition of a full-time teaching position in technology
- Creation of a half-time technology advisor position
- Online Courses for the High School
- Enterprise America Business Course for junior high school students
- Expansion of our highly successful literacy interventions
- Addition of a Late Bus Run to support more students' participation in after-school activities
- Adoption of SchoolTool, a new student information system
- Data Service Coordination
- My Learning Plan to support professional development
- Support for 1:1 technology devices

- A. Regular Minutes - April 7, 2016

Motion: Tabled 1st: M. LaCava 2nd:M.Johnson

Motion Tabled

Vote: Yes: No: Abstain: Absent:

IV. Discussion

- A. 9th Grade Honors - English and Global - Superintendent Lavine spoke about what goes into our Honor classes. Damon Derbyshire talked about the benefits and a little background of 9th grade honors. M. Whitney asked, are you asking to eliminate Honors, Damon said no, we can rewrite the levels. No, need to get rid of the Honors courses at any level. J.Ryan said there has to be a concrete curriculum in writing for the Honors program. Karen Ocque said Once an Honors kid, how am I evaluated? Sue Osborne said If not ready for Honors in 9th grade, how do you work towards that. Just make sure we are providing the same opportunities for all students, kids change and grow; we want to be able to offer to all students.
- V. District Presentations and Reports
- A. CNY Science Fair - Sue Osborne NYS science Fair featured projects from science, technology and engineering(which was just added this year) from 11 different counties across NYS. All 9th graders and most 11th graders from Big Picture attended - Dan Conover completed a project on “how fears change with age” and received a Medallion of Honor. Caleb Gretskey and Alex Rogers “Hovercraft Camera project” The Hovercraft was able to hold a student. Both Caleb and Alex received a Medallion of Honor for their combined effort in the project. Kya Gerber did a project on “Chocolate and melting temperature” measuring the texture, taste, and consistency of chocolate when melted at different temperatures. Kya was awarded a 3 credit OCC summer class. Isaac Tenenbaum did a “Do it yourself Pottery wheel” and was awarded a \$10,000 Scholarship to SUNY Cortland.
- VI. Communications
- A. Board Member Updates - The Board members received a thank you note from Scholastic Art Award. Letter from ONS. Trustee Whitney recognize Varsity Baseball - They have definitely struggled the past couple years. Last year only won 1 game, So far this year won 2 lost 2, they are really working hard.
- VII. Old Business
- A. Capital Project Update - Sean Griffin spoke about main project punch list phase, hoping to get contracts wrapped up next week. We’re pushing to get a lot of things closed out in May. Auditorium Project - The architects are coming out to verify punch list was completed as requested. Amy Flemming found a couple things in auditorium that should be looked at. As well as there are a few things in Big Picture that need to be addressed.
- B. Online Safety and Security - No new information
- C. School Resource Officer - Superintendent Lavine spoke to Sheriff’s department and the cost for a FT SRO through sheriffs is approx. \$106,000, while we would not be able to choose, they are flexible. The person could begin and end their day at the school. Question before us is, from where do we get the money? We don't want it to impact Instruction directly. There are two possible sources - \$30,000 we have been setting aside for next Superintendent. The 2 years worth of saving could go towards the cost. Whatever we do this year, will have an impact next year's budget. (option 2) The \$51,000 from the BOCES Computer uses. Another thought is we could even get 2 retired SRO, they would stay under the cap of \$30,000 which would still save us money. No matter what we choose the person would have to be full time and we could be flexible with the hours. We would need the person to be seen by staff and students so everyone could feel the presence. Question was brought up, what about

arming teachers, nothing to jump to just options and ideas to think about. While we have enhanced security, there are still options.

VIII. New Business - Varsity LaFayette just defeated Tully 13-9.

IX. Superintendent's Report -

- A. Superintendent Lavine wanted to thank Ron Cooper and whoever else was there on transportation day we had on Saturday - 9 of our own drivers. It was very successful, the drivers were very grateful, Speaker {name?} talked about her own disability, to try and educate staff on how to work with students with disabilities.
- B. Math assessments went well last week.
- C. Thank Dave Amidon. (Missed what we were thanking him for, check with Laura)
- D. Our Bully Button is now a Tip Line. It is up and live.
- E. Tomorrow is our go home early drill. All students will be dismissed 15 minutes early.
- F. Tomorrow is ONS Spring Dinner. They are expecting to serve over 500 meals tomorrow. It will be delicious and a great time.
- G. Congratulate Jana Silvestro on winning award from CNY council for the Social Studies Elementary Educator. She will be recognized on May 12th.

X. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Board Action Items

1. 504, CPSE, and CSE recommendations

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

2. Budget Transfers - April 2016

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

3. Suicide Policy 7540 Revision - Second Reading

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

4. Approve proposed 2016-2017 District budget

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

5. Approve 2016-2017 School Bus Proposition

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

6. Approve Inspectors and Tellers for the 2016 Budget Vote

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

7. Food Service Policy 5660 Revision - Third and Final Reading

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

8. Treasurer's Reports - March 2016

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

Vote: Yes:6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent:1 (T. Scofield)

B. Approval of Personnel Items

1. Approval of Long Term Sub - 2015-2016

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

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1 (T. Scofield)

XI. Board Non-Action Items

A. Strategic Plan Update - None

XII. Calendar Review

A. Upcoming Events - Jr/Sr Prom on May 14th

Oratorical Conference 5/12 @ 6:30 p.m. at the High School

Next Board Meeting and Budget Hearing 5/5 @ 5:30 p.m. at Big Picture

XIII. Financial Reports-FYI

- A. Potential Change Orders - 04/12/2016 FYI
- B. Claims Auditor Report and Warrants - March 2016
- C. Financials - March 2016
- D. Cash Flow - March 2016

XIV. Closing Remarks

A. Public Communications to the Board -

- a. Maria Nastasi wanted to recognize her 7th graders, they completed a project on discrimination in society. They wrote a mission statement and plan of action, in addition to hosting movie night. We played the movie "Remember the Titans"
- b. Tess miller - Please keep voting for LaFayette to help with after prom. Question - Late bus run - is that for sports at 5:30 or what time will it be at? No exact time yet, it is to encourage students to stay after for curricular and sports. Question - Half tech advisor, and full time tech teacher what is the job description, what will the person do or be responsible for? For the .5 technology advisor we wanted a director of technology, but that is not working so we are looking for teacher on special assignment who will be working with staff and administration to advise and lead us. For the full time technology teacher; we are looking for someone to come and teach technology at HS and go to grimshaw for early age. We don't know what the split will be for certain at this time.
- c. Principal Diane Ellsworth hoped everyone could make it to the Spring dinner tomorrow and serving times are 10:30 a.m.; 11:15 a.m.; and 12:00 p.m. at the Onondaga Nation School.

XV. Proposed Executive Session

A. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of contract discussions and student discipline at 6:40 p.m.

Motion: Carried 1st: M. LaCava 2nd: J. Keefe

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1 (T. Scofield)

B. Reconvene into Open Session at 8:26 p.m.

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

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1 (T. Scofield)

XVI. Adjournment

A. Adjourn the Meeting at 8:27 p.m.

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

Vote: Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 1 (T. Scofield)

Respectfully Submitted,

Vanessa Tryon

District Clerk