

**LaFayette Central School District**  
**Board of Education - Regular Meeting**  
**Location: The LaFayette Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium**  
**3122 US Route 11 North**  
**LaFayette, New York 13084**  
**May 25, 2017**

I. Opening

- A. Call to Order - The Regular Board of Education meeting for LaFayette Central School District was called to order at 6:00pm by Vice President Stephanie Dow. In attendance are Trustees Stephanie Dow, Janine LeBlanc, Gary Oelkers, Mark Whitney, Superintendent Laura Lavine, Assistant Superintendent for Business Tiffany Turner, District Clerk Vanessa Tryon, Jeremy Belfield, Pat Sandusky, Jennifer Blosssey, Jason Ryan, Susan Osborn, Andrea Amidon, Tess Miller, Jana Silvestro, Jennifer McDonald, Erin Oristian, Esther Wanlass, Diane Ellsworth, Mackenzie McElhannon, Kristine Jarosz, Beverly Oliver, Charmaine Booth, Kelly Allocco, Tom McCasland, Sunshine Ouimette, Kevin Morel, Lisa Chapman, Warren Smith, Tom LaRose, Melissa McElroy-Elve, Kate Jugan, Kelly Szrama, Sue Bang, Jody Gates, Maria Nastasi, Dave Knapp, Tiana Poplawski, Lisa Kurtz, Matt Dodge, Crystal Morel, Ashley Bennett, Denise Dodge, Nan Terry, Colleen Heinrich, Danielle Robinson, Jennifer Lockwood, Sue Parsons, Awhenjiasta Myers, Bobbie Steeprock, Megan Burns, Sandra Burt, Nan Terry, Heather Castleman, Abigail Lerch, Christina Shute, and Adrian Shute. Several dozen members of the Onondaga Nation attended but did not sign in.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Stephanie Dow at 6:01 p.m.
- C. Opening Remarks

II. Proposed Executive Session - **POSTPONED UNTIL THE END OF THE MEETING**

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Regular Minutes - May 16, 2017

**Motion:Carried      1st: G. Oelkers      2nd:J. LeBlanc**

**Vote: Yes:5 No:0 Abstain:1 (T. Scofield)      Absent:2 (M. Johnson, M. LaCava)**

IV. District Presentations and Reports

- A. Eureka Math Presentation - Kate Jugan - Superintendent Lavine introduced Kate Jugan and congratulated her on her selection as a Fellow in the Eureka Math Program. Ms. Jugan led a presentation on her activities with Eureka Math and thanked the board for their administrative support.
- B. Trip to Africa - Jana Silvestro and Jennifer McDonald - Superintendent Lavine introduced Jana Silvestro and Jennifer McDonald. Ms. Silvestro and Ms. McDonald gave a presentation on their excited trip to Africa and explained how their students have learned to be better researchers as a result of their trip.
- C. Onondaga Nation School - Diane Ellsworth - Superintendent Lavine introduced Principal Diane Ellsworth. Principal Ellsworth led presentation on Onondaga Nation School. They did an outstanding job on meeting their three goals this year. Their literacy results were exceptional. Congratulations to all.

V. Old Business

- A. Online Safety and Security - None

VI. Communications

A. Board Member Updates -

1. Trustee LeBlanc went to Big Picture Breakfast. She said it was wonderful, especially because the student were excited about their projects. She offered congratulations to all.
2. Vice President Stephanie Dow read statement from Board of Education.

VII. New Business

VIII. Superintendent's Report - None

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Board Action Items

1. Tenure Appointments 2017 - Superintendent Lavine introduced and congratulated each Teacher and Teaching Assistant being recommended for for tenure.
  - a) Andrea Amidon - thanked the board and superintendent for inviting her using a variety of strategies. She tells her students that failure means you haven't learned it yet.
  - b) Christine Kane - not able to be here tonight, daughter is graduating from FIT.
  - c) Jennifer Lockwood - came from SCSD, Mathematics, thanked Superintendent and Board for honor and opportunity to serve the District, Loves come to work every-day.
  - d) Mackenzie McElhannon - 1st Grade - 9/10 students on or above level. Thanked colleagues. Worked on writing, sentences, re telling stories. Thanked Superintendent and Board for tenure, expressed how much she loves her students.
  - e) Danielle Robinson - Thanked Superintendent and Board for her tenure, showed portfolio of her and her students' work.
  - f) Kelly Szrama - Thanked Superintendent and Board for her tenure in Special Ed and now in General Ed. Especially grateful for the technology that allows her to be a more effective teacher.
2. Reassignment of Administrator
3. Use of Reserve Funds Resolution
4. Resolution of Reorganization Date 2017
5. Bank Account Closure
6. Approve Results of 2017-2018 Budget Vote, Approve Results of Bus Proposition, Capital Project Proposition, and Approve Results of Elections of Trustees
7. Policy 3280 - Use of School Facilities, Materials, and Equipment - First Reading
8. Policy 3210 - Visitors to the School - First Reading
  - a) Trustee Whitney inquired about a requirement that Board Members notify the Superintendent prior to visit a school in his or her official capacity. Superintendent Lavine will re-examine the language and present a revision.
9. Budget Transfer
10. Treasurer's Reports - April 2017
11. Policy 1510 - Regular Board Meetings and Rules - First Reading
12. Policy 1630 - Qualifications of Voters at District Meetings - First Reading

B. Approval of Personnel Items

1. Substitute Appointments
2. Resignation 2016-2017
3. Supervisor Appointment 2016-2017 - Welcome to Pat Sandusky. Was Network admin at ESM for 4 years. Very excited to start.

4. Non- Instructional Appointment
5. Instructional Appointment 2016-2017 - Melissa McElroy-Elve new Librarian. Thrilled to join the District.

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- X. Board Non-Action Items
  - A. Strategic Plan Update - None
- XI. Calendar Review
  - A. Upcoming Events
    1. 5/26 -Jr/Sr picnic
    2. 5/29 - No School - Memorial day
    3. 5/31 - NYS Science exam
    4. 5/31 - Senior high awards
    5. 6/1 - Performance May 31st and June 1st
    6. 6/5 - GAPS 6:30pm
    7. 6/6 - Kindergarten Olympics
    8. 6/8 - BOE
- XII. Financial Reports - FYI - Assistant Superintendent Tiffany Turner - cashflow is looking good. Notification we will be receiving grant we were awarded 2 years ago.
  - A. Claims Auditor Report and Warrants - April 2017
  - B. Financials - April 2017
  - C. Cash Flow - April 2017
- XIII. Closing Remarks
  - A. Public Communications to the Board
    1. Trustee Dow reminded everyone for public comments, "Please identify yourself and do not discuss personnel matters in a critical manner."
      - a) Erin Oristian - appreciated being in the ONS library this year and welcomed new staff.
      - b) Ashley Bennett - speaking on behalf of community encouraged the District to meet with the Council of Chiefs and to collaborate.
      - c) Keely CalfRobe - The community is looking for answers and collaboration.
      - d) Trudy Shenandoah - Class of 1970 -Looking for fairness, recognition, and respect.
      - e) Sue Parsons - Completed internship in social work here, learned a lot, feels lack of connection between ONS and other schools.
      - f) Yvonne Henhawk - grandchild in ONS, concerns about the interview process.
- XIV. Proposed Executive Session
  - A. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Contract Negotiations at 7:29 pm.

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- B. Reconvene into Open Session at 9:52 pm.

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XV. Adjournment

A. Adjourn the Meeting at 9:53 pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Vanessa Tryon