

LAFAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL
5955 Route 20 West
LaFayette, New York 13084

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 13, 2011

I. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the LaFayette Board of Education was held on Thursday, October 13, 2011, in the Board Room of the District Office. President Keefe called the meeting to order at approximately 5:31 p.m. Present were Vice President Akl, Trustees Dadey, Dwyer, LaCava, Scofield and Sofranko. Also in attendance were Superintendent Peter Tigh, Interim Business Administrator David Klem, and District Clerk Kelly Hill.

Also in attendance were: D. Ellsworth, G. Bump, S. Osborn, T. McCasland, A. Wickes, A. Doyle, T. Knapp, N. Nicholson, S. Moynihan, M. Zehner, N. Terry, S. Bang, A. Courtwright, P. Kenney, L. Donohue, T. Miller and D. Felice.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Opening Remarks

President Keefe welcomed everyone, noted an adjustment to item VIII-Superintendent's Report, Item B, Number 2-c should read Substitute - #1C. President Keefe also advised that an Executive Session would be needed at the end of the meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Sofranko to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2011 Regular Meeting (with amendments).

Motion Carried Yes – 6 No – 0 Abstain – 1 (Scofield)

V. District Presentations and Reports

- A. Information Technology – G. Bump
Mr. Bump presented on the District Technology.

Ms. Jacques arrived at 5:35 p.m.

- B. Budget Considerations 2012-2013 – P. Tigh and D. Klem
Superintendent Tigh and Interim Business Administrator Klem made two power point presentations featuring data on the past budgets as well as projected numbers for the upcoming budget.

- C. Community Connections
Trustee LaCava shared the Apple Festival was a huge success. Superintendent Tigh shared an article from the Town of LaFayette Community Newsletter featuring Beverly Oliver and her 25th Anniversary with the LASP.

VI. Old Business

- A. Student Representation at Board Meetings
Superintendent Tigh shared response from the Administrative Team. ONS will provide 2 students from Grades 6/7/8. Grimshaw will provide 2 students from Grades 5 and 6. JSBS will provide 3 students and Big Picture will provide 2 students. ONS, Grimshaw and JSBS will work with their Student Government groups/advisors. Superintendent Tigh advised the Cornell Research Project did not have enough response to do the study.

Old Business - Cont.

A motion was made by Trustee Sofranko, seconded by Trustee LaCava to revisit the failed vote on Substitute 1B of the September 8th 2011 meeting. Discussion was held and a re-vote was taken:

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No - 2 (AKI, Dadey) Abstain – 0

A motion was made by Trustee Sofranko, seconded by Trustee Dwyer to approve the Substitute 1B list from the September 8th 2011 meeting.

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 1 (Dadey) Abstain – 1 (AKI)

VII. New Business

Trustee Sofranko asked how Superintendent’s Conference Day went. Superintendent Tigh shared that Mrs. Cowling did a very very nice job pulling everything together. Jeff Craig from BOCES did a wonderful presentation, as did Janet Connors and Sue Bang. Sue Bang is working with Superintendent Tigh to find a future Board of Education date to present to the Board. Superintendent Tigh also shared information on a new Empire State STEM Learning Program. Trustee Sofranko shared her thoughts on last week’s Onondaga/Madison County Annual Dinner that was held at LaFayette. Trustee Dadey was recognized with a beautiful plaque, the meal was wonderful and LaFayette really shined that evening.

VIII. Superintendent’s Report

A. Board Action Items - Consent

On the recommendation of Superintendent Tigh, motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Vice President AKI to approve items below.

1. Approval of Administrators’ Agreement
2. Approval of Treasurer’s Report – as of July 31, 2011
3. Approval of Treasurer’s Report – as of August 31, 2011
4. Approval of Extending Parental Leave
5. Eastern Security/Sonitrol Update

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

B. Personnel

On the recommendation of Superintendent Tigh, motion by Trustee Scofield, seconded by Trustee LaCava to approve the items below.

1. Resignation – 2011-2012
 - a. Instructional - #2
 - b. Board of Education - #1

Superintendent’s Report – Cont.

2. Appointments – 2011-2012
 - a. Interscholastic - #4
 - b. Substitute - #3
 - c. Substitute – #1C
 - d. Non-Instructional - #5
 - e. Co-Curricular - #5
 - f. Clerical - #2
 - g. BOE - #3

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstain – 0

C. Board Non-Action Items

1. Discussion of Co-Curricular Advisor Club Updates as of September 30, 2011
2. Distribution of Internal Audit for Review

D. Communications

None.

E. Calendar Review

The next Board of Education Meeting will be Thursday, October 27th at 5:30pm in the Grimshaw Library. Discussion was also held about moving other future meetings to the Grimshaw Library.

IX. Financial Reports

1. Budget Status– as of August 31, 2011
2. Claims Auditor Report – as of September 30, 2011
3. Cash Flow – as of August 31, 2011

X. Closing Remarks

A. Oral Communications

N. Terry spoke regarding Superintendent’s Conference Day, STEM, and Mock Trial and thanked the BOE for reconsidering an appointment based on the community’s views.

P. Kenney thanked the BOE for taking information they received seriously and taking the kids into consideration.

D. Felice spoke regarding TRS, thanked the BOE for reconsidering an appointment, Jeff Craig’s presentation and having student representatives on the BOE.

A. Courtwright asked about Personnel Appointments and the budget information that was presented. Mr. Tigh and Mr. Klem answered.

T. Miller also asked a question regarding Personnel Appointments.

XI. Request for Executive Session

On the recommendation of President Keefe, a motion by Vice President Akl, seconded by Trustee LaCava to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters related to collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law; and medical, financial, credit or employment history of any particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of any particular person or corporation.

Motion carried Yes - 7 No – 0 Abstain – 0

The Board entered into Executive Session at approximately 7:40 p.m.

Motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Sofranko to come out of Executive Session at approximately 8:41 p.m.

Motion carried Yes - 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

The Regular Meeting resumed at 8:41 p.m.

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Scofield to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:42 p.m.

Motion carried Yes - 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly A. Hill
District Clerk