

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 27, 2011

I. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the LaFayette Board of Education was held on Thursday, October 27, 2011, in the Cafeteria of the Grimshaw School. President Keefe called the meeting to order at approximately 6:34 p.m. Present were Vice President Akl, Trustees Dadey, Dwyer, LaCava, Scofield, Jacques and Sofranko. Also in attendance were Superintendent Peter Tigh, Interim Business Administrator David Klem, and District Clerk Kelly Hill.

Also in attendance were: Jim Kesler, Greg Bump, Diane Ellsworth, Paula Cowling, Susan Osborn, Lenny Oppedisano, Sally Case, Pat Unger, Sean Zehner, Daryl Felice, Don Dodge, Tess Miller, Lisa Shenandoah Kurtz, Nancy Nicholson, Melissa Terrell, Dave Knapp, Anne Courtwright, Adrian Shute, Paul Ellis, David Stablein, Annie Amidon, Joyce Lewis, John Vossler, John Storrier Jr., Jamie & Patsy McElhannon, Terri Fredenburg, Ann Wickes, Tim Miller, Jim Davidson, J. McElhannon and Tom McCasland

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Opening Remarks

President Keefe welcomed everyone, advised we would follow the agenda with a presentation by the auditors as there would be a need for an Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Vice President Akl to approve the Minutes from the October 13, 2011 Regular Meeting.

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstain – 0

V. District Presentations and Reports

A. Oral Communications

1. Presentation of Audit Report from Piaker & Lyons by Ron Simonds
2. Community Connections
Superintendent Tigh shared an article he received in the mail from ZLife, a zumba magazine that featured Michelle Storie. Trustee Scofield commended Paula Cowling on the leadership she has taken in her duties with the District.

VI. Old Business

A. Budget Update 2010-11 and 2011-12

Superintendent Tigh and Interim Business Administrator Klem presented on where the budget process currently is at as well as distributed copies of the power points presented. Superintendent Tigh also updated everyone on the status of the student reps and advised that a date was to be determined for the first meeting.

VII. New Business

A. Shared Business Office Proposal

Superintendent Tigh shared information on a proposed shared Business Office with Fabius-Pompey. After discussion, the Board agreed to have Superintendent Tigh continue the talks and schedule a future meeting.

VIII. Superintendent's Report

A. Board Action Items - Consent

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

1. Approval of Grad Hours
2. Approval of Internal Audit
3. Proposed Guidelines for 2011-12 Internal and Independent Audit

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

B. Personnel

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

1. Resignation – 2011-2012
 - a. Non-Instructional - #4
 - b. Clerical - #3
 - c. Inter-Scholastic - #2

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstain – 0

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

2. Appointments – 2011-2012
 - a. Substitute - #1
 - b. Clerical - #3
 - c. Co-Curricular - #6
 - d. Re-Organizational - #3

Motion Carried Yes – 7 No – 0 Abstain – 0

C. Board Non-Action Items

None.

D. Communications

None.

E. Calendar Review

Next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17th in the Library of the Junior Senior High School at 6:30 p.m.

IX. Financial Reports

1. Budget Status– as of September 30, 2011
2. Warrants – 2011-2012: 4F, 5R, 6A

X. Closing Remarks

A. Oral Communications

J. McElhannon asked questions regarding the cuts per student and who to contact as well as questions regarding the District Office sharing with Fabius Pompey.

P. Cowling updated on the recent Professional Development Monday, thanked Trustee Scofield and shared that she is enjoying Grimshaw.

J. Davidson asked about the possibility of looking at the shares formula used by the state.

D. Dodge spoke regarding the custodial schedules and made suggestions.

T. Miller asked about the Co-Curricular position at the JSHS and the position approved this evening.

D. Felice spoke regarding teacher's retirement incentive, the negligence of the people in charge of the monies of the District and reasons for the shortfall. Ms. Felice spoke again stating she did not mean to offend Mr. Klem but stated that somebody made some big mistakes.

J. McElhannon commented on the Board not looking happy and asked who they were covering for.

Trustee Scofield shared that committees were being formed for various budget issues. If anyone was interested they were encouraged to sign up on the sheet that was being passed around the room.

J. McElhannon thanked the Board for their transparency.

Ann Wickes asked about if monies need to be borrowed how and with whom that would be done.

Anne Courtwright asked about the possible shared Business Office positions.

Annie Amidon asked if there were plans to merge the 2 districts (LaFayette and Fabius Pompey).

P. Cowling suggested having community sign ups at sporting events as well as holiday concerts in the various buildings.

XI. Request for Executive Session

On the recommendation of President Keefe, a motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Sofranko 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 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Trustee LaCava, seconded by Trustee Scofield to come out of Executive Session at approximately 9:54 p.m.

Motion carried Yes - 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

The Regular Meeting resumed at 9:54 p.m.

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Scofield, seconded by Trustee Dwyer to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:55 p.m.

Motion carried Yes - 7 No - 0 Abstain – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly A. Hill
District Clerk