

**LA FAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL
LaFayette, New York 13084**

BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Regular Board Meeting
May 19, 2015 Minutes**

I. Opening

A. Call to Order - The Regular Meeting of the LaFayette Board of Education was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at the Jr./Sr. High School Library. President Dodge called the meeting to order at approximately 5:34 p.m. Present were: Trustees D. Dodge, Keefe, Scofield, and Johnson. Also in attendance were Superintendent Lavine, School Business Official Turner, and Kasey McHale. Others in attendance were: Administrators Diane Ellsworth and Jim Chupaila, Jim Kesler, Tim Baker, Karen Ocque, Tom LaRose, Chris Baker, Renata Rehder, Chris MacMackin, Gretchen Gretskey, and Ann Schaefer

Excused: Trustees LaCava and Whitney, Board Clerk Munnell, Onondaga Representative Jacques

B. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by President Dodge

C. Opening Remarks –President Dodge welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. He announced that there would be an executive session at the end of the meeting for reasons of discussing the history of a particular employee.

II. Executive Session

A. Enter into Executive Session: None

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Minutes – May 7, 2015

A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Trustee Scofield, Seconded by Trustee Keefe.

Motion carried: Yes – 4 No – 0 Abstain – 1 (M. Dodge) Absent – 2
(M.LaCava, M. Whitney)

IV. District Presentation and Reports

A. Presentation – Tim Baker – Flipped Classroom.

Mr. Baker, Social Studies teacher at the Jr./Sr. High School gave a presentation about the flipped classroom. He demonstrated by showing a recent lesson that students watched and heard at home then explained how the flipped classroom leads to increased student engagement and student achievement. Two of Mr. Baker's students spoke about how the flipped classroom has helped them to learn and to perform better in Social Studies. The students' mothers also gave complimentary feedback about the flipped classroom and its effect on their sons' learning.

B. Oral Communications - None

V. Old Business - None

VI. New Business

A. Reorganizational Meeting Date Set: Monday, July 13, 2015

A motion to approve the Resolution was made by Trustee Keefe, Seconded by Trustee Scofield.

Motion carried: Yes – 4 No – 1 (M. Johnson) Absent –2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
LA FAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
IN THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, NEW YORK

The Board of Education of the LaFayette Central School District hereby gives notice that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on May 19, 2015, a Reorganizational Meeting will be held in the LaFayette Jr./Sr. High School – Library in LaFayette, New York, on July 13, 2015.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately. Upon motion duly made by Trustee Keefe and seconded by Trustee Scofield, resolution was adopted.

Vote: Yes – 4 No – 1 (Johnson) Absent–2 (LaCava, Whitney).

The Resolution was thereafter declared adopted.

Matthew Dodge, Board of Education President

Tiffany Turner, District Clerk – Pro-Tem

VII. Superintendent Report: Ms. Lavine began with how happy she was to have President Dodge back and healthy, and how she saw two wonderful concerts, Junior High and Senior High. She has her talent lined up for Opening Day! ONS had a great academic fair, and Ms. Lavine thanked all in that building and community who worked to get it ready. Grimshaw's Grandparents' Day was a big success with 430 grandparents in attendance, so she thanked everyone for putting it together. Ms. Lavine had an interesting meeting about the landscaping at the High School: Dave Amidon would like to do some gardening and brought in landscapers. He wants to plant native species and involve our Native American students by putting signs out to identify the plants. Science students could go out and do lab work on the plants and other species in the area, and ELA students could write about it. Ms. Lavine thanks all involved in working on this. Our RTI grant work received complimentary feedback from Measurement Inc. who said we are at the top of the list in terms of how we are putting RTI in place and the progress we have made as a district implementing it. Ms. Lavine concluded by thanking Mrs. Ocque for all of her work with this.

On the recommendation of President Dodge to approve items VIII A1 - 4, a motion was made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Trustee Scofield:

- VIII. Consent Agenda - Board Action Items
- A. Approval of Board Action Items
 - 1. Approve Treasurer's Reports – April 2015
 - 2. Approve CSE/CPSE Recommendations
 - 3. Approve 2015 Capital Project Change Orders
 - 4. Approve ONS 2015-2016 Instructional/Student Calendar

Motion carried: Yes – 5 No – 0 Absent – 2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

On the recommendation of President Dodge to approve items VIII. B1 - 2, a motion was made by Trustee Keefe, seconded by Trustee Scofield:

- VIII. Consent Agenda - Personnel Items
 - B. Approval of Personnel Items
 - 1. Approve Resignation/Retirement – Instructional #6 – 2014-2015
 - 2. Approve Appointment Instructional #2 2015-2016
 - 3. Approve Appointment Substitute #10 2014-2015
 - 4. Approve Appointment Non-Instructional #2 2015-2016
 - 5. Approve Appointment Clerical #4 2014-2015

Motion carried: Yes –5 No – 0 Absent – 2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

- X. Board Non-Action Items - None
- XI. Communications - None
- XII. Calendar Review: Upcoming Events: Budget Vote until 9pm TODAY (President Dodge encouraged all who hadn't already voted, to please stop downstairs to do so), Final day of Grimshaw Kindergarten Screening 5/20, JSHS Picnic 5/21, ½ Day for all students 5/21, No School 5/22 and 5/25, Off to Kindergarten Night at Grimshaw 5/27, ONS and Grimshaw are going to a Chief's baseball game 6/3 and Grimshaw Spring Music Concert moved to 6/3.
- XIII. Financial Reports-FYI
 - A. Cash Flow as of April 2015
 - B. Budget Status as of April 2015
 - C. Claims' Auditor Report as of April 2015
 - D. Warrants: 32A, C, TA; 10F, 12R, 9H
 - E. Capital Project Change Orders – FYI Under \$20,000
- XIV. Closing Remarks – Public Comments – Mr. LaRose reported he was surprised by SUNY Cortland with 'Thank You' gifts for taking three students to mentor, Kindergarten screening had begun and will continue through the 20th, Grimshaw Olympics are schedule for 6/13 (grades 1-3) and 6/14 (grades 4-6), we had great weather for Grandparents Day and all visitors got to go outside and walk on the track for PE (no Bingo due to the rain this year!). A fitness-gram is being put together for Grimshaw.

Mr. Kesler gave a Capital Project Update: We had minor issues with the Grimshaw windows, but all has been fixed and everything is almost complete; the boiler at the DO has been removed and 2 at the HS due to state law; Electricians are pulling wires in Grimshaw to feed new kitchen panels and cement was poured at Grimshaw and the HS Big Picture area; abatement is starting on Thursday night and working through to begin on Friday. It should be done by the weekend. Window insulation at the HS has begun, and working with Mr. Chupaila, contractors have gone through and will be working at night. Electricians are pulling data on the phone lines next week, and Big Picture's move is being scheduled to take over the area on 6/15. Mr. Kesler received notice from the state to proceed with the boiler work at ONS, the job kick off for this will be on the Tuesday after Memorial Day. He will be interviewing for summer help soon, and overall for the capital project we are on schedule with some things, a little behind in others, but building occupants and building schedules are taking priority.

Gretchen Gretskey reported on an issue that happened to her daughter on a late bus from the HS. She has had conversations with both Mr. Chupaila and Ms. Lavine regarding this incident, but wanted to make the board aware. Trustee D. Dodge asked what bus this was on and Vice President Johnson said that if something is presented as drugs, whether it is or it isn't actually, that is a problem and thanked her for informing the board.

XV. Executive Session
A. Enter into Executive Session

A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the employment of a particular person and invitation to Administrator Chupaila to stay by Vice President Johnson and seconded by Trustee Scofield at approximately 6:42 p.m.

Motion carried: Yes - 5 No – 0 Absent – 2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

A motion to come out of Executive Session by Trustee Scofield and seconded by Trustee Keefe at approximately 7:17p.m.

Motion carried: Yes - 5 No – 0 Absent – 2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

B. Reconvene into Open Session

Time Resumed Meeting: 7:17 p.m.

XVI. Adjournment

A. Motion to adjourn

A motion to adjourn by Trustee Scofield and seconded by Trustee Keefe at approximately 7:18 p.m.

Motion carried: Yes - 5 No – 0 Absent – 2 (M. LaCava, M. Whitney)

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Turner, Board Clerk – Pro-Tem