

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 18, 2023

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President, Mrs. Bugni, on December 18, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the High School #169.
2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
The following members were in attendance:
Mrs. Paulson, Mr. Cavanaugh, Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Frisk and Mrs. Nordstrom.
Excused: Mrs. Waara

Administrative personnel in attendance:
Superintendent Tollefson, Principal Scroggs & Principal Cichosz
3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve the Agenda for the December 18, 2023, Regular Board of Education meeting. Motion carried.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on November 20, 2023. Abstain: Mrs. Bugni.
Motion carried.
5. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:
Mrs. Cichosz reported that Boys 8th grade basketball went undefeated; Band students went caroling to Bayside Nursing Home.
Mrs. Scroggs reported that she is pleased with the participation in the Lego League.
6. STUDENT REPORTS: Julie Juntunen reported that *SLACK* met at Jeffers this month and the Christmas assembly will be held tomorrow 7th hour.
7. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: November – Kelsi Gustafson, *Special Education Aide*
8. STAFF PARTICIPATION: Kristine Maki added to Hornet Highlights that Mr. Hunter has added extra practices for Lego League.
9. FINANCES:
Business Manager's Report was in the packet.

Motion by Mrs. Paulson, supported by Mrs. Frisk to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to approve not completing a formal evaluation of Superintendent Tollefson during the 2023-24 school year and reporting the same highly effective rating that was assigned in the 2022-23 year.
Motion carried.
- B. *Indian Policies and Procedures* were reviewed.
- C. Motion by Mr. Fedie, supported by Mr. Cavanaugh to approve the new and revised Board Bylaws and Policies suggested by NEOLA and as stated:

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Policy 2370.01 – Online/Blended Learning Program

Policy 7217 – Weapons

Policy 7540.03 – Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety

Policy 8305 – Information Security

Policy 8531 – Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Policy 5330.02 – Opioid Antagonists

Policy 8100 – Telecommuting Work

Motion carried.

D. Concerning:

Hire(s): None

Resignation(s): None

11. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: *presented in packet*

- A. Maintenance-Custodial-Transportation Supervisor
- B. Director of Student Services
- C. Elementary (K-5) Principal
- D. JSH (6-12) Principal
- E. Superintendent – Mrs. Tollefson added that Elementary Tutoring was being finalized.

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Education Resources – did not meet
- B. Extra-Curricular – did not meet
- C. Finance – did not meet
- D. Library – meet in January; 2 members needed & have been posted
- E. CCASB – meet in March
- F. CCISD – met; discussed Thrun policies vs. Neola policies and implications of A.I. (*Artificial Intelligence*) in schools
- G. Wellness Committee – met; Tri-annual Assessment discussed
- H. L.A.S. Foundation – did not meet
- I. Personnel Committee – did not meet

13. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

15. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. Fedie wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mrs. Paulson commented on the increase in student participation in sports.

Mrs. Bugni wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Frisk, supported by Mrs. Nordstrom to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

Motion carried.

MELISSA PAULSON, *Acting Secretary*



JOAN BUGNI, *President*