

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Regular Meeting - Board of Education
April 17, 2017

Members present: T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, C. Costa, C. Kenrick, M. Hemeyer
Members absent: B. Gatewood, C. Aberasturi
Admin. Present: S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, C. Hughes, M. Otis, M. Cheney, D. Minsker, L. Pumford,
B. Cain, A. Lashbrook, A. Howerton, D. Selix, S. Pearson, M. Marino, C.
Chanavier, K. Gregory, J. Reck, M. Day
Guests: M. Assenmacher, S. Russano, K. Evans, H. Naylor, S. Pietila, M. Hill, J. Barnes,
J. Gietek, R. Shrier

President Dumond called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Hartland Educational Support Service Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Hemeyer that the agenda for the April 17, 2017 regular meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Item II.D. to be treated as an Action Item, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 5-0. 4/17/17 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Costa, supported by Kaszyca that the minutes of the March 20, 2017 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 5-0. 3/20/17 MINUTES APPROVED

Superintendent Hughes reminded everyone of the Building & Site Sinking Fund election May 2, 2017, noting that he, Mr. Bacon, Mr. VanEpps, and Ms. Otis have conducted more than 25 meetings with district and community groups to date, informing about the election. He then introduced Anthony Howerton, Principal of Lakes Elementary School, who noted the artwork around the Boardroom was provided by art teacher Shari Russano's students. Ms. Russano contributed more than 30 pieces of art from her students for the "Got Art?" exhibit at the Howell Opera House. Mr. Howerton introduced teachers Shauna Pietila and Lisa Villar, who have initiated the "Girls' Math Club" at Lakes Elementary. Approximately 20 2nd and 3rd grade girls meet for an hour after school every Monday to play math-related games and discuss different issues relating to math vocabulary, problem-solving, and understanding in order to become more comfortable with math skills. They thanked district math coordinator Ethan Hawker for helping with the club, providing curriculum links, and initiating dialog. SUPT. REPORT
SINKING FUND
HAPPENINGS AT LAKES ELEM.

Mr. Howerton then introduced the parent volunteers behind Lakes' Highly Capable Cluster Program – Becky Linton and Cathy Pantelas – noting that this program is run entirely by parent volunteers. Ms. Linton and Ms. Pantelas talked about the program, which consists of approximately 34 Lakes students, grades 2 – 4. These students are pulled out for an hour every other Friday for a variety of STEM-centered activities including engineering, physical science, music, writing, and art. Several of the students involved spoke about their favorite activities, noting that this is their favorite part of the school day. Ms. Linton and Ms. Pantelas thanked Mr. Howerton and the Board for their support, noting that this year they actually have a dedicated space to work in and keep their projects.

Superintendent Hughes then introduced high school Principal David Minsker and Assistant Principal Kate Gregory to talk about the Early/Middle College Program. Mr. Hughes noted that this was a county-wide consortium program and a discussion item later on the agenda that would come back before the Board for action at the May meeting. This program offers students the opportunity to earn a career certification by attending a 5th year of high school. The application for the county has been filed with the EARLY/MIDDLE COLLEGE

state, and once approved, each district's Board would need to take action for the district to participate. Ms. Gregory showed a sample schedule for the 11th, 12th, and 13th years, noting that students interested in the program would need to commit when registering for their junior year to one of the three certification programs offered: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Machine Tool Tech, or Welding/Die Finisher. The students would participate in "shared time" during their junior year, would be dual-enrolled at LCC or Mott CC their senior year, and would be totally off campus at LCC or Mott for their 5th year. Ms. Gregory noted that these students would not graduate or walk with their class until they completed the 5th year of the program, at which point they would have a career certification in one of the three fields offered. She also noted that EMU has indicated they would transfer the LPN credits to be used toward a 4-year Registered Nurse (RN) degree. Mr. Kaszyca was concerned about the viability of the transfer credits and whether EMU would honor all of the credits. Mr. Minsker noted that while the district can't guarantee credit transfer for any of its shared time or dual enrollment programs, EMU has stated they would transfer credits for this program. Ms. Gregory noted that Livingston County is the first of the 55 counties currently offering Early/Middle College to offer the LPN program. The Board asked how funding would work and Ms. Gregory indicated that the cost for each program is in line with our current per pupil foundation allowance, so there would not be additional outlay required. The county decided against the EMT certification program as it cost \$2,000 more than our current allotment per pupil. Ms. Gregory also noted that, if approved, this would begin being offered for 2017/18 to interested juniors, so it would be two years before we actually began implementing the 5th year.

SUPT. REPORT
(CONTINUED)

Kim Evans, HEA President, spoke during the Call to the Public regarding what the HEA is doing in support of the Sinking Fund election, including sending postcards to district voters and making phone calls.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Ms. Kenrick reminded everyone that tickets are on sale for the HHS Drama Club performance of "Oklahoma!" which begins this weekend. Mr. Dumond reminded the Board of the LCASB Annual Dinner and Meeting this Wednesday, April 19th, at 6:00 p.m. at LESA.

BOARD REPORTS

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of March 31, 2017, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,467,443.16 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,827,063.80. Motion carried 5-0.

PAYMENT OF
INVOICES

Motion by Hemeyer, supported by Costa that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Finance Committee, approves the amendments to the General Fund, Student Nutrition Fund and Athletics Fund as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

16/17 BUDGET
AMENDMENTS

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Hemeyer that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Finance Committee, approves the reclassification of specific General Fund expenditures as required by the State as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Mr. Bacon thanked Rachel Bois, Accounting Supervisor, for her work on the amendment process.

RECLASSIFICATION:
GENERAL FUND
ACCTS.

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Costa that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Director of Operations, approves the purchase of three (3) 2017 GMC Sierra 2500HDs

VEHICLE PURCHASE

from Todd Wenzel Buick GMC of Westland through the MIDeal bid system in the amount of \$100,584.90, as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Pursuant to the earlier discussion involving Early/Middle College, this item will come before the Board for action at the May 15th meeting.

DISCUSSION:
EARLY COLLEGE

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Hemeyer
Secretary

Paula Waters
Recording Secretary