Hartland Consolidated Schools Regular Meeting - Board of Education May 16, 2016

Members present:

T. Dumond, M. Hemeyer, C. Kenrick, C. Costa, K. Kaszyca, B. Gatewood

Members absent:

C. Aberasturi

Admin. Present:

J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, D. Selix, S. VanEpps, C. Hughes, M. Otis, D. Minsker, M.

Cheney, S. Livingway, L. Pumford, B. Cain, G. Waldrup

Guests: S. Darish, W. Darish, J. Hull, K. Hull, K. Kurtz, E. Kurtz, B. DeLaBarre, P. Mitchell, M. Hemeyer, K. Armitage, A. Armitage, L. Bell, H. Sorg, J. Brock, M. Tenbusch, A. Hallbeck, K. DeRosier, J.

Townsend, T. Townsend, M. Gowell, S. Kowalczyk

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 Gatewood that the agenda for the May 16, 2016 regular meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Items II.B. and II.C. to be treated as action items, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 6-0.

5/16/16 AGENDA **APPROVED** 

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Costa that the minutes of the April 18, 2016 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 6-o.

4/18 MINUTES **APPROVED** 

Superintendent Sifferman introduced Dotty Selix, Principal at Round Elementary. Ms. Selix noted that tonight's presentation would be interactive with the Board participating in an activity after the presentation. She introduced Tara Bosley, a teacher at Round and sponsor of the Junior First Lego League. Ms. Bosley noted that when this started four years ago, there were approximately a dozen or so students with two coaches. There are now 75 students and 15 coaches and assistant coaches participating – one of the largest, if not the largest, clubs in any of the elementary buildings. Ms. Bosley explained the First Lego League program, which goes through high school, and what Jr. FLL looks like. Two teams presented their Lego construction for this year's challenge. Then each of the Board members were given a 4-minute mini-challenge and kit and worked with Jr. FLL members to construct a solution. Ms. Bosley noted that while there was a lot of fun involved, Jr. FLL also teaches science and engineering concepts, as well as team building and team work.

SUPT. REPORT

Ms. Sifferman congratulated Michelle Otis, Director of Community Education, on achieving her Chief Financial Officer certification from MSBO (Michigan School Business Officials).

Ms. Sifferman noted that the Board and district are mourning the loss of Michelle Hutchinson. Ms. Hutchinson served on the Board for six years before having to step down for health reasons. Prior to her Board service she was extremely active in the district and President of the Round School PTO. She was a staunch advocate for education, and an active and very supportive member of the Hartland community.

Each Board member expressed their condolences to the Hutchinson family and honored Michelle for her service to the district.

**BOARD REPORTS** 

Mr. Costa congratulated the high school administration for getting through the recent testing cycle and thanked Principal Minsker for the invitation to Prom. Mr. Gatewood noted how impressed he was with everything Hartland Schools has achieved this year state championships, national championships, nationally recognized academics - an

amazing level of excellence! Mr. Dumond, Mr. Kaszyca, Ms. Kenrick and Ms. Hemeyer echoed Mr. Gatewood's sentiments. Ms. Kenrick congratulated Scott Usher and MaryJo DelVero for another phenomenal high school production, and noted that College Signing Day is tomorrow, 5/17, from 11-12:30. Ms. Hemeyer congratulated the Legacy students that completed and graduated from the Dale Carnegie program this morning.

BOARD REPORTS (CONTINUED)

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Hemeyer that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of April 30, 2016, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,315,740.03 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,059,977.81. Motion carried 6-0.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Costa that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the LESA Budget for 2016/2017 as presented. Mr. Gatewood noted for future reference, he would prefer that LESA show comparisons with other ISDs as opposed to the county districts. He believes this would be a more accurate comparison. Motion carried 6-0.

LESA BUDGET 2016/2017

Motion by Gatewood, supported by Kaszyca that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations and the Director of Operations, authorizes the purchase of two (2) 2016 GMC Sierra 2500HD through the State of Michigan MiDeal bid program from Red Holman Buick GMC at a cost of \$32,671.85 each for a total expense of \$65,343.70, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

MAINTENANCE VEHICLE PURCHASE

Ms. Sifferman began the discussion on the current round of new and revised policies from NEOLA. Board members noted that they appreciated receiving the summary of changes along with the complete policies and had no questions at this time. This will come before the Board for action at the June  $6^{th}$  meeting.

DISCUSSION: NEW & REVISED POLICIES

President Dumond noted that several members had expressed an interest in marching in the Memorial Day Parade. Ms. Sifferman indicated that the district has the banner and would provide candy. MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Genrick

Cynthia Kenrick Secretary Paula Waters
Recording Secretary