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Hartland Consolidated Schools  
Regular Meeting - Board of Education  
April 18, 2016

Members present: T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, B. Gatewood, C. Aberasturi, C. Kenrick, M. Hemeyer  
Members absent: C. Costa  
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, C. Hughes, M. Otis, M. Cheney, D. Minsker,  
L. Pumford, B. Cain, A. Lashbrook, A. Howerton, D. Selix  
Guests: J. Brangan, S. Mercieca, J. Henderson, L. Beaudry, T. Johnson, S. Howell, D. Biermann, S.  
Russano, L. Hankins, J. Ward, J. Chaplin, T. Wilson, K. Meabrod, M. Nied, A. Philips, B.  
Dumond, B. Hahne, M. Robinson, S. Vielly, E. Glover, T. Buda, J. Buda, M. Cafmeyer, M.  
LaPointe, S. Pearsall, O. Aurand, L. Ciofu

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. As the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, students from Mrs. Villar's class at Lakes Elementary, under the guidance of teacher Judy Parlette, signed the Pledge using American Sign Language (ASL).

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Aberasturi that the agenda for the April 18, 2016 regular meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Item II.E. to be treated as an Action Item, and that public participation be allowed on all items except Item II.D. Student Expulsion. Motion carried 6-0. 4/18/16 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Kenrick that the minutes of the March 14, 2016 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 6-0. 3/14/16 MINUTES APPROVED

Superintendent Sifferman introduced Anthony Howerton, Principal of Lakes Elementary School, who thanked Mrs. Villar and Mrs. Parlette for the ASL presentation and noted the artwork around the Boardroom was provided by art teacher Shari Russano's students. He then noted that he first wanted to highlight Lakes Elementary's "Peer-to-Peer" program. This is the first year for this program at Lakes and it is being piloted in Julie Stover's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom with support from Shawn Howell and Dr. Toni Johnson from LESA. Howerton then highlighted "Eat, Read & Grow Night" and introduced reading specialist Yvonne Mato. Ms. Mato noted that Pinckney had done something similar and she and Shawn Howell had checked out the Pinckney program and thought it would be a good fit at Lakes. It is focused on grades K-2. Teachers recommend five families in need of reading support and they are invited to participate in an evening event with dinner, breakout sessions featuring art projects with Shari Russano that are focused on a chosen book. Representatives from Cromaine Library talk about the various services provided and distribute applications for library cards, and parents are given strategies to encourage their children to read more at home and for their parents to read to them at home. There have been two "Eat, Read & Grow Nights" to date with another scheduled for May, and feedback from the parents and children has been extremely positive. SUPT. REPORT HAPPENINGS AT LAKES ELEM.

Ms. Sifferman introduced Dan Danosky, Superintendent of LESA, who talked to the Board about the charter school, Livingston Classical Academy (LCA), which has acquired property within the Hartland school district and is proposing to build a school on the site. They have received a charter authorization through Whitmore Lake Public Schools, but for a "cyber academy". Mr. Danosky noted that there appears to be a "gray area" regarding the laws pertaining to cyber academies vs. brick & mortar charter schools and LCA doesn't appear to be a traditional "cyber academy". The LCA facilities, as advertised, would include a gymnasium, a library, a pre-school and a daycare, and could have significant repercussions for the districts in Livingston County. Danosky also noted CHARTER SCHOOL

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<p>that the “gray area” in the law could have serious implications state wide for public school districts. He noted the LESA Board has avowed their support to fight the LCA proposed academy and Ms. Sifferman and he will talk with the other county superintendents this week in hopes of garnering their boards’ support as well.</p>	<p>SUPT. REPORT (CONTINUED)</p>
<p>Mr. Danosky also noted that, as they did last year, LESA would be hosting a dinner for county Boards to review LESA’s 2015/16 budget and proposed 2016/17 budget, which will come before each of the district boards for approval in May. The dinner will take place on May 4.</p>	
<p>Ms. Sifferman then introduced Lawrence Pumford, Sue Pearsall and Jessica Brangan from Creekside Elementary to talk with the Board about the CASL (Classroom Assessment for Student Learning) program they are currently piloting in their 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms at Creekside. Chuck Hughes noted that this is a district-wide effort with training for all teachers continuing through 2020, with 20% of teachers being trained as “trainers” and the other 80% participating in CASL classes.</p>	<p>CASL PRESENTATION</p>
<p>Ms. Sifferman introduced Chuck Hughes, who provided the Board with the mid-year update on the 2015/2016 Board Goals.</p>	<p>GOAL UPDATE</p>
<p>Mr. Harley Keeling spoke during Call to the Public regarding international travel, charter schools and school funding.</p>	<p>CALL TO PUBLIC</p>
<p>Motion by Gatewood, supported by Aberasturi that Call to the Public be concluded as the speaker had reached the time limit. President Dumond subsequently ended the Call to the Public portion of the agenda.</p>	<p>MOTION TO END CALL TO PUBLIC</p>
<p>Ms. Kenrick noted that tickets for the Hartland High School production of “Once Upon A Mattress” are currently on sale. She also congratulated Chris Costa, who could not be at tonight’s meeting as he is running the Boston Marathon. Mr. Dumond thanked the Hartland Optimist Club for two events he attended recently – “Youth Appreciation Night” and the “Respect for Law” Breakfast – noting both events are highlights of the school year.</p>	<p>BOARD REPORTS</p>
<p>Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business &amp; Operations, approves the financial report as of March 31, 2016, and the payment of invoices totaling \$1,430,999.48 and payroll obligations totaling \$2,722,989.47. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>PAYMENT OF INVOICES</p>
<p>Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Hemeyer that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Building &amp; Site Committee, approves the transfer of four property parcels in Sandila Estates that lie within both the Hartland Consolidated Schools and Brighton Area Schools boundaries. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>PROPERTY TRANSFER</p>
<p>Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of Business &amp; Operations, adopts the resolution ratifying the refunding of bonds previously approved by the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0.</p>	<p>BOND REFUNDING</p>
<p>Motion by Kenrick, supported by Aberasturi that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, expels said student from Hartland Consolidated Schools for the remainder of the 2015/2016 school year. Motion carried 5-1 (Gatewood-nay).</p>	<p>EXPULSION</p>

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Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to pursue any and all avenues to challenge the intrusion of the Livingston Classical Academy into the Hartland Consolidated School district's boundaries, up to and including engaging legal representation. Motion carried 6-0.

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REPRESENTATION

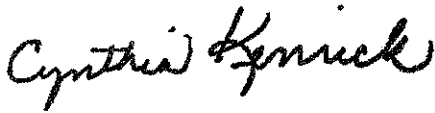
Motion by Kaszyca, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, sets aside policy and authorizes the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations to enter into a contract through Executive Energy Services for the purchase of electricity for Hartland Consolidated Schools for up to 36 months at a price not to exceed 5.82 cents/KWH. (Current contract expires December 2017.) Motion carried 6-0.

PURCHASE  
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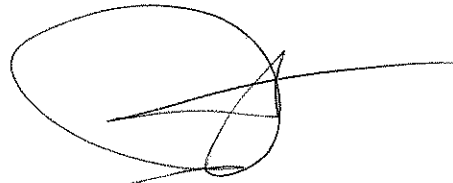
The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Kenrick  
Secretary



Paula Waters  
Recording Secretary