

LAFAYETTE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAFAYETTE REGIONAL SCHOOL
FRANCONIA, NH 03580

DATE: October 11, 2018
TIME: 5:30 PM

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:32 PM

In attendance:

Board Members: Chris Thayer, Amy Mullins, Christi Gignac, Denys Draper
Principal, Gordie Johnk
Superintendent, Pierre Couture
Business Manager, Kristin Franklin
Administrative Assistant, Toni Butterfield
Board Clerk, Lynne Warren

LPTO REPORT

Although there was no official LPTO report for the month, Amy Mullins gave an overview of LPTO activities and initiatives.

The Open House pasta night raised \$477

The Check-writing fundraising campaign met its \$5,000 goal

There will be a combination bingo night / silent auction fundraiser. It is currently planned for May 18, 2019 and the initiative is being chaired by Jade Walker.

As mentioned in the last meeting, Matt Wroebel is working on the design for t-shirts to be sold to raise funds. The plan is for them to be ready in time to sell for Christmas.

The kids ski & winter gear / clothing swap and sale is coming up November 3.

There have been no funding requests of the LPTO since the last meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 MEETING

MOTION BY AMY MULLINS, SECONDED BY CHRIS THAYER TO APPROVE MINUTES WITH THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

- Page 2, Staff Nomination 8th paragraph: Chris Tyler should be Chris Thayer.
- Page 2, final paragraph, first sentence: delete "he attended".
- Page 3, first paragraph, first full sentence: delete duplicate word "to".
- Page 3, first paragraph, last sentence; correct to read "profound effect on Profile in the form *of* significant budget cuts"
- Page 3, sixth paragraph, second sentence: revise to read "After some discussion it was determined the program has sufficient funds at the current time."

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Principal Johnk

Things are still going well so far this year.

NWEA Standardized Test Results are in and the scores are strong and serve as a baseline to be used going forward. Johnk gave an explanation of the testing process, scoring and how the scores are used.

Johnk recapped some of the hikes and various outdoor activities that have occurred so far.

The recent Active Shooter drill went well, and parents were supportive and appreciative.

Yesterday was the fire prevention program. It was a great time and a good learning experience for the students.

Lafayette staff attended Social/Emotional Professional Development Training October 5 along with staff members from other Northcountry schools. The session focused on anxiety and depression in children

The Lafter Care Program is going really well. At this point things are going so well that there seems to be no reason to turn it over to the Franconia Recreation Department. Per Toni Butterfield, there have been quite a few drop-ins and late sign-ups, bringing in a higher level of funding than anticipated. There was brief discussion regarding staff pay and possible adjustments to the current pay levels. The discussed changes would be within the originally proposed pay structure.

Board member Christi Gignac asked for an update on the late bus inquiry discussed at the board meeting last month. Principal Johnk explained that after parents were asked for feedback on how many students would use the service, it was determine the number was too low to justify moving forward at this time. It may be evaluated again in the future.

There was brief discussion of the security report Principal Johnk sent out previously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Couture

A brief review was given of the October 1st Enrollment Report

Couture gave an update of the situation with the abutting property owner regarding the status of the debris removal and encroachments. Superintendent Couture and Principal Johnk walked the property boundary to reassess the encroachments. They appear to just be small additions to buildings that can be easily removed. The buildings themselves are not encroaching on school property. A letter was sent asking the abutter to expedite the removal of the debris, and to remove the building additions that are encroaching on school property, with a deadline of November 30. The property owner called to confirm receipt of the letter and informing that they would do everything they could to meet the deadline. There has since been some recent activity in that regard.

Couture also recapped the Professional Development program Principal Johnk discussed earlier. He felt it was an excellent program, presented by an internationally known expert.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Kristin Franklin

Financial Statements: There have been no significant change from last month's statements / financial numbers.

There was brief discussion of Kindergarten Aid, healthcare, and utility / fuel costs. E-rate will go out for bid soon.

There was also discussion of how the projected year-end unassigned fund balance is calculated.

Franklin communicated that the open positions have been filled, so the SAU office is fully staffed now.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Board

Superintendent Couture briefly recapped what went on at the recent meeting. Nov 6 is the SAU budget hearing.

Budget

Principal Johnk reviewed the recent budget committee changes & new members, and he provided the Budget Committee meeting schedule.

Building & Grounds

Principal Johnk thanked Superintendent Couture for writing the letter to the abutters and noted that progress began quickly after letter was sent.

Johnk also provided information on the condition of the school parking lot. The asphalt is cracking and needs repair. Estimates were obtained for filling the cracks and resealing, as well as one for repaving / skim-coating. His recommendation is to fill the cracks and reseal within the next year or two which would cost between \$3,000 and \$8,000, and to have the board begin setting funds aside over the next few years to be ready to re-pave the lot when necessary.

POLICIES / PROCEDURES: Christi Gignac

1. Policies for 1st reading
 - a. JJF – Student Activities Accounts Management
 - b. JJF-R – Administering Student Activity Funds
- C. IJ – Instructional Resources

MOTION BY AMY MULLINS, SECONDED BY DENYS DRAPER TO APPROVE AS READ. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

2. Policies for 2nd Reading and Approval – no changes from first reading.
 - a. ILD – Non-Educational Surveys & Questionnaires
 - b. IMGGA – Service Animals

MOTION BY DENYS DRAPER, SECONDED AMY MULLINS TO ACCEPT AS READ. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

No further business.

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Meeting Adjourned at 6:42 pm