

Leipsic Local School District Board of Education Highlights August 14, 2007

The regular August 14th Leipsic Local School District Board of Education meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with Dan Zeisloft presiding. Minutes from the July Board meeting were approved along with the financial statements.

Kraig Beilharz, representing Beilharz Architects, updated the Board on the process and possible timeline we will be following with the Ohio School Facility Commission project. No action is needed until the October Student Enrollment Data is complete.

In addition, Mr. Beilharz addressed Board concerns regarding the yet-to-be-completed sound system as well as the condition of the floor tile in the auditoria and hallways. Both of the issues have not been resolved to the Board's satisfaction.

Building principals Fred Bryan and Nancey Schortgen explained new procedures and other changes for staff and students. Both noted that they will be ready when students arrive on Wednesday, August 22.

Since there were no representatives in attendance from either the classified or certified staff, no reports were given.

The Board approved the following items: NOACSC Guidelines and By-Laws; Transfers/Advances/Advances-Back; plan documentation for the Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan; professional meeting reimbursement policy and guidelines effective 7/1/07.

The following supplemental contracts for 2007-08:

Gary Kreinbrink-athletic director
Tory Strock--class advisor grade 12
Yvette Schroeder—class advisor grade 11
Shelly Nagel—class advisor grade 10
Carolyn Bryan—class advisor Grade 9
Sarah Arps—junior high class advisor
Russ Wenzinger—National Honor Society
Cinda Strock—Student Council; Voice of the Vikes
Sue El-Hefnawy—Spanish Club
Don Barnhart—FFA
Carolyn Bryan—FCCLA Advisor
Jan Amrine—OWA Club
Brianna Hiegel—Flag Corp
Miriam Gibson—Choir Director
Devin Bramel—Pep Band; Marching Band
Robb Cupp—Science Club
Melissa Meyer—Yearbook

Extended Service:

Don Barnhart—22 days

Carolyn Bryan—10 days

Jan Amrine—10 days

Yvette Schroeder—10 days

Kathy Rieman—15 days

Devin Bramel—18 days

Renee Miller—20 days

Lois Niese—75 hours

Elvia Diaz was approved on a one-year contract as an English as a Second Language aide.

The Board approved both Cory Kreinbrink and Mark Roberts as volunteer assistant football coaches. Board members approved compensation to persons who supervise or provide related assistance at athletic events; transportation for both junior high football and volleyball to away contests; season tickets for both junior varsity/varsity girls and boys basketball seasons; high school student fees; and the elementary handbook for 2007-08.

During Planning and Discussion Mrs. Dewar congratulated the students, staff, and parents of the district for the Excellent rating earned on the Ohio Department of Education Local Report Card for 2006-07.

In addition, she made note of the Maintenance Highlight report from Dave Grismore. The Board thanked Mr. Grismore and the custodians for their outstanding work. Art Lomeli mentioned that Ralph Westrick is retiring from his position of the Friday night “chain gang.” The Board thanked Ralph for his many years of service.

Mrs. Dewar clarified that according to Ohio School Law, it is not necessary to require bids for items such as bread, milk, and gasoline. She noted, however, that beginning next June the district will place an ad in *The Leipsic Messenger* asking interested vendors to submit a price quote to the superintendent for consideration by the Board.

Board members asked the building principals about procedures for visitors in the building during the school day. It was noted that all persons who are not staff members or students must report to either office and obtain a visitor’s badge in order to be in the hallways or in classrooms.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss evaluation of the superintendent. Following the session, the Board extended the contract of school superintendent Alice Dewar from August 1, 2008 to July 30, 2011.

The next regular Leipsic Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the library conference room.