

**Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker School
Board of Education Regular Meeting
December 21, 2015
(Approved Minutes)**

President Baur called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Laker High School Room 205. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Keith Hatfield, Heath Krohn, Jeff Snider, Duane Baur, Kathryn McGathy, Mary Frances Tait and Student Representative Lauren Buschlen.

Member Absent: Todd Tate.

Approval of Regular Minutes 11/16/2015 Tait moved with support from Hatfield to approve the minutes dated 11/16/2015. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Board Workshop Minutes 11/19/2015 Tait moved with support from Hatfield to approve the minutes dated 11/19/2015. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report Snider reported bills to be paid form December 2015 as: General Fund bills, \$134,289.41; Food Service bills, \$3,590.50; Tech Bond (Capital Project bills), \$79,971.35; Sinking Fund bills, \$70,593.84 and Payroll/Liabilities, \$15,164.21. Tait moved with support from Krohn to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Tait moved with support from Hatfield to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Participation No cards were received, ample time was allotted for the Public to address the Board. There was no indication from the Public present to address the Board at this time.

Anchored in Excellence Dickens and Keim introduced custodial workers, Delores Schipinski and Sam Richardson . They were acknowledged for their energy and positive attitudes. The Board thanked them for their commitment to the district.

Personnel Tait read resignation letters from long – time bus driver, Marjorie Strahan and HS office staff member, Sarah Oeschger. Tait moved with support from McGathy to accept the letters with much regret. Motion passed unanimously. Keim recommended the hire of Jennifer Viers as Administrative Assistant. Motion passed unanimously.

Behavior Grant Update Dickens reported the carryover funds from the Climate Transformation Grant will allow the district to bring in a team of professional counselors to provide free services to students across the district List Psychological will provide the services. When the grant money is gone the positions will be complete.

New Policy Reading : Background Checks CFO Klosowski presented a first reading of a new policy related to Michigan State Police Criminal History Background Check. Tait moved with McGathy supporting the first reading of the policy.

Land Sale Discussion Superintendent Keim led discussion related to the land located north of Elkton. Many questions came from the Board. Keim is to gather more information to be presented at a later date.

Other Business The Board was reminded that next month's meeting will include reorganization of officers. Keim informed Board of next Board Workshop with Scott Morrell date to be announced at a later date.

Administrator Time Student Representative Lauren Buschlen reported on Student Council activity, Christmas Dance and Fund Raiser activity. CFO Klosowski reminded the Board of General Fund adjustments will be next month.

Closed Session Tait moved with support from Krohn to go into closed session to discuss student discipline. Roll call yielded Baur, yes; McGathy, yes; Krohn, yes; Hatfield, yes; Snider, yes; Tait, yes. At 6:27 p.m. the Board moved into closed session.

At 10:30 p.m. the Board returned to open session. Tait moved with support from Snider to suspend indefinitely Students A,B, and C from Lakers effect immediately with the opportunity to apply for re-admission to Lakers with completion of requirements including 150 hours of preapproved community service, two page essay of lessons learned, successful academic progress of "C" grade or better, banned from school grounds for duration of suspension unless prior authorization and present a clean drug test dated within 2 weeks prior to application for re-admission to Lakers to the Board. Motion passed unanimously. Tait moved with support from Snider to suspend indefinitely Students D and E from Lakers effect immediately with the opportunity to apply for a diploma from Lakers with completion of requirements including 150 hours of preapproved community service, two page essay of lessons learned, successful academic progress of "C" grade or better, banned from school grounds for duration of suspension unless prior authorization and present a clean drug test dated within 2 weeks prior to application for a diploma from the Board at the June 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business before the Board, Krohn moved with support from Tait to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. the Board adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Respectively Submitted-

Mary Frances Tait, Board of Education Secretary