



Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Regular Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education 7:00pm JSHS Library

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)

Mike Brutsch __P__
Bill Buckenroth __P__
John Kalisz __P__
Rob Long __P__
Sharon Putnam __P__
Richard Sime __P__

Also in attendance:

Andrew Kourt __P__
Matt Klafehn __P__
Josh Noble __P__
Danielle Brewster __P__
Corey Brown __P__

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Putnam at 7:00pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

A. Student representative update- Riley Roberston updated the board on fundraisers, food club, travel club and spring sports.

B. Technology update-Information provided by Ethan Race on Chromebooks, schedule for replacements, classroom hardware and software, security cameras, PA system, phone system, NERIC internet and future tasks.

C. WBH update- Josh Noble presented on new hires, special education program, lockdown training, student behaviors and expectations, faculty meeting and field trips.

D. JSHS update- Matt Klafehn presented on new hire, the March hump, educator wellness, faculty meeting, DEI reports, youth summit and the archery program.

E. Athletic update- Corey Brown presented on spring sports, coaching split is 50/50 with Berlin, equipment orders, field status, intermural sports, off-season training and a youth feeder program.

F. Business Office update- Danielle Brewster presented on fixed assets and an RFP for dump truck.

G. Superintendent update- Superintendent Kourt presented on the advocacy committee, NYSCOSS conference, student behaviors, school safety committee, career and college readiness, water filtration and DEI.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vanessa Wehle asked the Board to look into the need for a before and after school care program.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board vice president Brutsch made the motion to approve item 4A. Board president Putnam seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained (Sime).

A. Motion to approve the February 8, 2023 Board of Education meeting minutes

5. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

A. Review of Policies (First Reading)

File Attachments

Policy 4532.pdf (177 KB)

Policy 4855.pdf (213 KB)

Policy 5100.pdf (488 KB)

Policy 5152.pdf (198 KB)

Policy 8121.1.pdf (98 KB)

Board vice president Brutsch made the motion to approve item 5B. Board president Putnam seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to approve cse/cpse recommendations of programs and placements

6. FINANCIAL

A. 2023-24 Budget Discussion- Third presentation of the proposed budget.

Board vice president Brutsch made the motion to approve item 6B-E. Board president Putnam seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to approve the Notice of Hearing and Elections

C. Motion to approve the January 2023 Extra-Curricular Report

D. Motion to approve budget transfers

E. Motion to accept donations

7. PERSONNEL

Board vice president Brutsch made the motion to approve item 7A-J. Board president Putnam seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to appoint coaches

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, the attached spring sport coaches for the 2023-24 school year, stipend as per contract:

Aaron Kanofsky- V Track & Field

Jim Van Ess- V Track & Field

Chris Bonacquisti - V Baseball

Andrew Starks- V Baseball

Lauren Giglio- V Softball

Mike Hastings - Modified Boys Baseball

B. Motion to appoint a bus driver trainee

To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Levi Bigelow as a bus driver trainee, effective March 9, 2023 at a rate of \$16.50 per hour.

C. Motion to accept a resignation

To accept a resignation from Cassie Coburn as a Teaching Aide effective February 17, 2023.

Executive Content

I'm resigning from job as a teachers aide to become a teaching assistant within the district.

D. Motion to appoint a Teaching Assistant- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Cassie Coburn as a Teaching Assistant, step 1, at a rate of \$18.22 per hour, effective February 27, 2023.

E. Motion to accept a resignation- To accept a resignation from Carly Maxon as a daily building substitute effective March 31, 2023.

Executive Content

I'm resigning from job as a teachers aide to become a teaching assistant within the district.

Executive File Attachments

carly maxon resignation.pdf (20 KB)

F. Motion to appoint a Teaching Assistant- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Carly Maxon as a Teaching Assistant, step 1, at a rate of \$18.22 per hour, effective April 1, 2023.

G. Motion to accept a resignation- To accept a resignation from Ashlin Meyette as a daily building substitute effective March 3, 2023

Executive Content

Ashlin Meyette 3/3/2023

Resignation letter

To whom it may concern,

I am resigning from my position as a substitute to accept the position as a teacher's aide.

H. Motion to appoint a teacher's aide- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Ashlin Meyette as a teacher's aide, effective March 6, 2023 at a rate of \$14.98 per hour.

I. Motion to appoint a substitute- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Anne Tremblay as a substitute, effective March 9, 2023 at a rate of \$95 per day.

J. Motion to appoint a club advisor- To appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Kourt, Andrew Starks as the advisor for Archery Club with a stipend of \$600.

Board president Putnam made the motion to approve item 7K. Board member Kalisz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained (Buckenroth).

K. Motion to amend a stipend- To amend the stipend for Just Food Club from \$600 to \$1200 due to the hours involved.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

9. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Need for April 5 workshop? Yes, 7pm at WBH.

B. Next Regular Board of Education Meeting April 17, 2023

C. Special Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2023- Questar III budget vote- 6:30PM at the JSHS

10. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Putnam made the motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:30pm for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee. Board Vice President Brutsch seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Board President Putnam made the motion to appoint Superintendent Kourt as Clerk Pro-Tem. Board member Buckenroth seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Board Vice President Brutsch made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:38pm. Board member Long seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk