

**LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEBANON MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
REGULAR SESSION
MARCH 12, 2019 – 7:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Jason Nowosad, Chairperson Maureen McCall, Secretary
Dawn Whitcher, Vice Chairperson Alexis Margerelli-Hussey
William Meese John Konow
Alan Dunnack Sarah Haynes
Olivia Glazier, Student Representative

ABSENT: Matthew Smith

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Schools Robert Angeli, James Apicelli, LMHS Principal,
Kathleen Mozak-Pezza, Director of Curriculum, Robert Sirpenski, Business Manager,
Kevin French, Director of Facilities, Kathleen Smith, teacher, Kevin Brodie, teacher,
Emily Blanchard, teacher, Lisa Massicotte, Willimantic Chronicle

I. CALL TO ORDER

J. Nowosad called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. RECOGNITION

1. LMHS Musical Performance
Members of the cast of Les Miserables performed musical numbers.

III. COMMUNICATION

1. Letters of Resignation – the Superintendent read letters of resignation from Patrick Birrell and Joshua Sayer.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – BYLAWS OF THE BOARD #9324

Public participation – 30 minutes; Individual speaker – 2 minutes
None

V. CONSENT AGENDA/DISCUSS AND ACT UPON

A. Approval of minutes

1. Finance/Budget Subcommittee – 2/11/19
2. Curriculum Subcommittee – 2/13/19
3. Communication/SP/Goals Subcommittee – 2/13/19
4. Finance/Budget Subcommittee – 2/13/19
5. BOE Special Meeting – 2/13/19
6. Special Meeting – 2/20/19
7. Budget Transfers

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented made by A. Margerelli-Hussey and seconded by S. Haynes. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Budget/Finance – W. Meese reported they had met this month and worked on the upcoming budget.
2. Physical Plant/Facilities - A. Dunnack reported they had met tonight and discussed the EMCOR contract and posting the Facilities Director and Maintenance positions. The ECG project has been tabled until after the budget season so that the Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen can be involved. Summer Capital projects were discussed including an irrigation study.

VII. ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS

J. Apicelli reported that three students had attended the recent all state music festival. Nine school records in indoor track were broken this season.

VIII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

O. Glazier reported that FFA week was successful. The FFA hosted a teacher luncheon. Students attended the Junior Leadership Conference. Proficiency awards have been received. March 20th is Agriculture Day at the State Capitol. Spirit Week at Lyman was held last week. The musical Les Miserables will be performed this weekend. SAT testing will be held. Spanish and French honor societies held their induction ceremonies this month. The LMS Talent Show will be held on March 29th. M. McCall noted the DAR Good Citizenship award was won by Kayla Boone. A. Dunnack noted that the Lyman Boys Basketball won the conference championship.

IX. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

1. Enrollment
Overall enrollment remains the same.
2. Next Generation Accountability System Results
K. Mozak-Pezza gave a PowerPoint presentation. She gave an overview of the program and results from 2017-2018. Metrics were explained. The Superintendent noted that this is one set of data that is used for the Strategic Plan. Scholastic level discussed by K. Mozak-Pezza. Rigor of course work discussed by the Superintendent. Middle School performance and professional development discussed. How this system was developed discussed by the Superintendent. Different levels in 6th grade explained. Opting out explained and discussed. Lebanon Elementary School is a Category 1 school and School of Distinction. Both Lebanon Middle School and Lyman Memorial High School scored as Category 2 schools but became Category 3 schools due to low participation rates in state testing and, for Lyman, achievement gap size.

X. FINANCE REPORT

1. 2018-2019 Budget
R. Sirpenski noted the soft freeze is still in effect. Heating oil and Special Education line items are of concern and are being monitored. M. & J began new service for Special Education students last Monday.
2. 2019-2020 Budget
The approved BOE budget was presented to the BOF. The same PowerPoint presentation was sent to the BOF. The BOF next regular meeting is next Tuesday.

XI. DISCUSSION

1. Discuss Policy #6114.7, Safe Schools
Committee described in the policy does not exist. Need to follow the current policy. The Superintendent will solicit members to form the committee. W. Meese volunteered.

XII. ACTION ITEMS

1. Act on letters of resignation
Motion made by W. Meese and seconded by M. McCall to accept the letters of resignation as presented. The tech position has been filled. A long term substitute has been posted for the band position. **Motion passed unanimously.**
2. Act on addition of new courses at Lyman for 2019-2020 school year
 - i. Workplace Learning
 - ii. Manufacturing
Motion made by S. Haynes and seconded by M. McCall to approve Workplace Learning and Manufacturing courses at Lyman for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Act on Turf and Landscape Agreement for 2019-2020
Motion made by A. Dunnack and seconded by W. Meese to approve the Turf and Landscape Agreement for 2019-2020. Certificate of insurance will be provided by the contractor. **Motion passed unanimously.**

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading of new textbooks:
 - i. Global Studies – I Am Malala
 - ii. UConn ECE Human Rights – Mighty Be Our Powers
 - iii. UConn ECE Human Rights – Zeitoun
 - iv. UConn ECE Human Rights – King Leopold’s Ghost
 - v. UConn ECE Human Rights – Kill the Indian, Save the Man
 - vi. UConn ECE Human Rights – A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy SoldierK. Mozak-Pezza and K. Brodie presented the new books. Four books have already been approved by UConn. They will be available at the Town Library. One book is not in yet. **Motion made by W. Meese and seconded by M. McCall to approve the textbooks presented. Motion passed unanimously.**

XIV. ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. For the purpose of discussing School Security Safety Audit at LMS
Motion made by W. Meese and seconded by M. McCall to enter into Executive Session at 9:38 p.m. for the purpose of discussing School Security Safety Audit at LMS and to invite the superintendent. Motion passed unanimously.

Board returned from Executive Session at 10:05 p.m.

XV. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

J. Nowosad adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kathleen E. Chapman

Board Clerk