Lavina Public School Negotiation Meeting May 15, 2018

Chairman Craig Jensen, Trustees Lee Burroughs and Ben Lehfeldt, Superintendent Duane Walker, Clerk Julie Sperry, Teacher Representatives Allen Grammens and Kelli Schwehr, and Lanning Tyrrel were in attendance.

- Teachers proposed a \$710 per month insurance payment the 1st year and \$720 per month the 2nd year of the contract
- Lanning left at 6:15 after reporting on BPA and senior trip.
- Board accepted teachers' insurance proposal and rewording the "Convention Payment" and "Sick Leave" sections of the Master Agreement. Board proposed starting new teachers at a minimum of Step 2 on the salary matrix and moving those currently on Step 2 to Step 3. Those teachers would remain on that step until they have actually earned a step down.

A meeting to continue the discussion is scheduled for June 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Lavina Public School Regular School Board Meeting May 15, 2018

On Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 7:02 p.m. Chairman Craig Jensen called the regular school board meeting to order. Trustees Lee Burroughs and Ben Lehfeldt, Superintendent Duane Walker and Clerk Julie Sperry were in attendance. Guests present were Allen Grammens, Kelli Schwehr, Scott and Kim Kopetzky, Kendy and Kirsten Jensen, Craig Mattheis, and Rena Kouba.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ben made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Reorganization of the Board:

- 1. **Swearing in of Newly Elected Trustee:** Lee Burroughs was given the oath of office by Craig Mattheis, County Superintendent of Schools. He had been elected by acclamation for a three-year term.
- 2. Call for Nominations for Chairperson: Craig nominated Ben Lehfeldt for Chairman, Lee 2nd, all in favor. Ben Lehfeldt was elected Chairman of the Board.
- 3. Election of Vice-Chairperson: Craig nominated Lee Burroughs for Vice-Chairman, Ben 2nd, all in favor. Lee Burroughs was elected Vice-Chairman of the Board.
- **4. Appointment of Clerk:** Lee made a motion to appoint Julie Sperry as Clerk for a one year term. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- 5. Swearing in of Clerk: Julie was given the oath of office by Craig Mattheis, County Superintendent of Schools.

Public Participation/Comments: Kirsten Jensen was given the oath for National Honor Society by Kelli Schwehr.

Communications:

- **Trustee's report:** Ben attended the First and Second Grade presentations on planets using the new SmartBoard.
- Student Council: None
- **Teacher's organization:** Kelli reported that SBAC testing is wrapping up. Play Day will be tomorrow.
- **AD's Report:** Mr. Grammens reported on the District, Divisional, and State track meets, sports physicals, and concussion impact testing. Coaching positions for next year will be open for applications soon. A time for a Coop meeting has not been set. High School football and volleyball practice will begin August 10th.

Superintendent's Report:

The school year is wrapping up with play day on May 16th, graduation on the 19th at 11:00, the athletic awards night on the 21st, and Kindergarten graduation on the 24th at 2:00. The 1st and 2nd grade gave a very nice powerpoint presentation on planets and used the new smartboards, kudos to Ms. Norheim and Mrs. H for the wonderful job of helping the students with their presentations. Mr. Grammens egg-drop was very successful in spite of some welcomed showers throughout the contest. Nash Gift, a Kindergarten student, won the overall grand prize. Mr. Grammens, Scott, and myself will be conducting a walk through of the school buildings and property to determine summer project priorities. We are still searching for a Grades 1-2 teacher. Kim Kopetzky was presented with the Don Giesler Award and Allen Grammens was honored for 40 years of teaching at Lavina School.

Old Business:

1. Solar Power Feasibility: After reporting that the Fire Department would not enter the building with solar panels on the roof and it may be an insurance issue, the Board asked Mr. Walker to do more research and start the grant process.

Allen Grammens left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

 Football Field Restrooms/Storage: Mr. Walker received a bid from Christiansen Construction for \$65,500 for a 24x40 building. He had some samples of modular buildings that would cost considerably less. The Board requested that he talk to Marcus Vacca who built his own building.

New Business:

- Canvass the Ballots for the Technology Levy: The ballot results from the May 8, 2018 election were canvassed. The Technology Levy for \$32,000 passed with 82 votes For and 67 votes Against. Craig made a motion to accept the tally of votes by the election judges. Lee 2nd, all in favor.
- **2. Hire Math Teacher:** Craig made a motion to hire Tom Clymer for the Math Teacher position for the 2018-2019 school year. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- **3. Hire Groundskeeper:** Lee made a motion to hire Jana Hutzenbiler for the Groundskeeper position at \$10.00 per hour. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

- 4. Renew/Non-Renew Classified Contracts: Lee made a motion to renew the contracts of the following classified staff: Scott Kopetzky, Tina Gabel, Jana Hutzenbiler, Charlene Ketcham, Rena Kouba, Christy Jutila, Raquel Sanguins, Laneva Brainard, Kelly Becktold, Teresa Watson, and Susan Wood for 2018-2019 school year. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- Classified Wages and Clerk Salary: Lee made a motion to raise all positions except bus down time to \$10.00 minimum and raise all other classified staff and the clerk by 3% excluding bus routes. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- 6. Shared Teacher Agreement with Ryegate School: Lee made a motion to continue our teachershare agreement with Ryegate for music with Koree MacMurdie for the 2018-2019 school year. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- **7. High School Diplomas for Graduation:** Craig made a motion to approve the Class of 2018 graduates and sign their diplomas pending successful completion of their courses. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- **8. Transportation Committee:** Ben made a motion to appoint Craig Jensen to the Transportation Committee. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- **9. Bus Transportation Agreement with Roundup:** Craig made a motion to approve the transportation agreement with Roundup to allow our bus to go into the Dean Creek area. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- **10. Freeman & Gaffney Contract:** Lee made a motion to approve the contract with Freeman & Gaffney for 2018-2019 in the amount of \$33,600. Craig 2nd, all in favor, motion passed. The Board requested that Mr. Walker inform the public how our technology is being used.
- **11. Resolution to Change Flexible Benefits Plan:** Craig made a motion to approve the resolution to change the Flexible Benefits Plan to include the \$500 carry-over. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Rena Kouba left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Craig made a motion to approve the bills and payroll as presented and pre-approve the May 25th payroll. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Craig made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Chairman of the Board

District Clerk

Date

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