RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS MINUTES FROM THE MEETING Ludlow, Kentucky, March 24, 2014

The Ludlow Independent Board of Education met at the Ludlow High School Library 515 Elm Street Ludlow, KY 41016 at 7:00 PM, on March 24, 2014, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Stephen Chapman

Ms. Amy Hayden

Ms. Kymberly King

Mr. William McMillen

Ms. Cindy Powell

1. Call to Order

1.1. Call to Order by Mr. McMillen

Discussion:

Others Present: Mr. Mike Borchers, Superintendent; Ms. Jenny McMillen, Secretary of the Board & CCR Coordinator; Ms. Vikki Wofford, Board Treasurer and Financial Analyst; Mr. Rick Smith, Director of Special Education; Ms. Beth Ketzer, Preschool Director; Mr. Jason Steffen, Elementary Principal; Mr. Joe Beard, High School Principal; Mr. Steve Hart, High School Assistant Principal; and Mr. Ehmet Hayes, Architect

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance by Mr. Chapman

Rationale:

Mr. Steve Chapman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board approve the Agenda.

Order #65 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Hayden and a second by Ms. Cindy Powell.

Mr. Stephen Chapman Yes
Ms. Amy Hayden Yes
Ms. Kymberly King Yes
Mr. William McMillen Yes

Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

3. Recognition and Information Agenda

Rationale:

These items were presented for recognition and information.

3.1. Monthly Reports

Rationale:

These items were presented for information.

Discussion:

Mr. Mike Borchers presented the several items related to the monthly reports.

3.2. Personnel

Rationale:

These items were presented for information.

Discussion:

Mr. Mike Borchers accepted and discussed the retirements of Ms. Deborah Haley and Mr. Joe Beard, and the extra-curricular resignation from Ms. Kristen Goodpaster.

3.3. April Activities

Rationale:

These items were presented for information.

Discussion:

April's activities were reviewed by Mr. Mike Borchers.

3.4. Spotlight Items

Rationale:

Mr. Steve Hart spotlighted the high school's PAICE Program.

The List of Shining Stars was attached. One of the Shining Stars is Ms. Jane Paulin and her work with DreamFest. The article that recently appeared in The Enquirer about it is linked here for your viewing: http://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/education/2014/03/12/gifted-talented-students-urged-dream-future/6353787/

These items are presented for information.

Discussion:

Mr. Steve Hart highlighted the LHS PAICE Program. He reviewed and explained how MAP reading scores have been impacted by the small group remedial activities taking place in the PAICE groups.

Mr. Mike Borchers reviewed the list of Shining Stars for March.

4. Consent Agenda

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board approve the Consent Agenda.

Discussion:

Mr. Mike Borchers reviewed and discussed the items on the Consent Agenda.

Order #66 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Cindy Powell and a second by Ms. Kymberly King.

Mr. Stephen Chapman Yes
Ms. Amy Hayden Yes
Ms. Kymberly King Yes
Mr. William McMillen Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

4.1. Approval of Minutes

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board approve the minutes of the February Regular Meeting.

4.2. Monthly Bills

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board approve payment of the monthly bills.

4.3. Fundraising Requests

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board approve the Fundraising Requests.

4.4. Substitute Teachers

Rationale:

Mr. Gary Taylor

It was recommended that the board approve adding the substitute teacher to the district list.

5. Discussion and Action Agenda

5.1. MEP Project Update

Rationale:

Mr. Ehmet Hayes attended the meeting to discuss the MEP Project Updates.

This item was presented for discussion.

Discussion:

Mr. Ehmet Hayes reviewed the updates for the MEP Project. Currently, the project is still on schedule.

5.2. Stadium Project Update

Rationale:

Mr. Ehmet Hayes attended the meeting to discuss the Stadium Project Updates.

This item was presented for discussion.

Discussion:

Mr. Ehmet Hayes reviewed the status of the Stadium Project schedule. It has been updated since last month's meeting due to the weather. Mrs. King requested that the schedule changes be noted on the schedule from month to month to make it easier to see what they are. Mr. Chapman would like to explore options for fencing. Mr. Borchers and Mr. Hayes will work on pricing different types of fences, including the options for the turnstile and lock.

5.3. Amended 2013-2014 School Calendar

Rationale:

The Amended 2013-2014 School Calendar was enclosed for review and approval.

It was recommended that the board approve the amended school calendar for staff in order to meet the contractual obligations for the district.

Discussion:

Mr. Mike Borchers presented the amended calendar for the 2013-2014 year, noting that students are still over by 24 instructional hours to meet the requirements. Staff will make up the missed days, due to contractual obligations.

Order #67 - Motion Passed: Approval of the amended 2013-2014 school calendar passed with a motion by Ms. Amy Hayden and a second by Ms. Cindy Powell.

Mr. Stephen Chapman Yes
Ms. Amy Hayden Yes
Ms. Kymberly King Yes
Mr. William McMillen Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

5.4. Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar

Rationale:

The requirements for a district calendar are included for the board to review. Our 2014-2015 School Calendar was developed by the district administration and then presented to each school staff for feedback. The 2014-2015 is very similar to our current calendar.

It is recommended that the board approve the 2014-2015 School Calendar as presented.

Discussion:

Mr. Mike Borchers presented the calendar for the 2014-2015 school year. It has already been shared with both school's staffs. Due to the construction this summer, the new year will start about one week later than in recent years.

Order #68 - Motion Passed: Approval of the proposed 2014-2015 school calendar passed with a motion by Mr. Stephen Chapman and a second by Ms. Kymberly King.

Mr. Stephen Chapman Yes
Ms. Amy Hayden Yes
Ms. Kymberly King Yes
Mr. William McMillen Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

5.5. 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant

Rationale:

Ms. Jenny McMillen presented information and updates on the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant.

Two attachments are provided for your viewing:

- 1. Updates on the Grant Planning & Implementation
- 2. The complete grant application that was submitted

This item was presented for discussion.

Discussion:

Ms. Jenny McMillen reviewed the updates on the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant.

5.6. Preschool Playground

Rationale:

Ms. Beth Ketzer explained the playground equipment proposal for the preschool.

This item was presented for discussion.

Discussion:

Ms. Beth Ketzer discussed the items attached related to the new playground equipment that will be purchased and installed this summer.

6. Other Business

Rationale:

Is there any other business to be brought before the board?

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6.1. Board

Discussion:

Mr. Steve Chapman reminded administrators that the use of drug dogs in the buildings is an approved policy should they feel the need to use them, as we have in the past. Mrs. King mentioned there seemed to be miss-hits the last time they were used and questioned the reliability of them.

6.2. Staff

Discussion:

Mr. Jason Steffen announced that the district found out earlier today that it received the Read to Achieve Grant.

Mr. Steve Hart mentioned that his son, a junior, just graduated from the Regional Youth Leadership Academy. He remarked that it was a wonderful program in which LHS students get to participate.

Mr. Mike Borchers mentioned that preliminary ACT scores are in and look positive. Increasing the dual credit programming is under way. Finally, Mr. Borchers noted that the district will be focusing on improving the aesthetics of the grounds as the weather gets nicer.

6.3. Teachers

Discussion:

No items presented.

6.4. Public

Discussion:

No items presented.

7. Adjourn

Rationale:

It was recommended that the board adjourn the meeting.

Order #69 - Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting at 9:01pm passed with a motion by Ms. Kymberly King and a second by Ms. Amy Hayden.

Mr. Stephen Chapman Yes
Ms. Amy Hayden Yes
Ms. Kymberly King Yes
Mr. William McMillen Yes
Ms. Cindy Powell Yes

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