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October 8, 2007

A. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lafayette School Corporation was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Robert Stwalley.

B. Roll Call

On call of the roll board members present were Brian Wagner, Greg Eller, Frank Lane, Rebecca Sprague, Kay Walton, and Robert Stwalley. Absent was Board Member Steve Bultinck. Also present was Board Counsel Robert Laszynski.

C. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the September 10th Regular Meeting, September 24th Special Board meeting, and the memorandum of the September 24th Work Session were presented for approval.

Mrs. Sprague made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Walton, to approve the minutes and memorandum as presented. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

D. Recognition

No recognitions were made.

E. Public Participation

No one from the Public addressed the Board.

F. Recommendations

1. Second Reading of Board Policy

The Administration recommended adoption of Board Policy B 470 Administration in the Absence of Policy on second reading to make it consistent with the state statute. The proposed revision would allow the purchasing agent of the school corporation the statutory maximum authority to secure items up to \$50,000 without going through a process to secure quotes or bids for those items.

Mrs. Sprague made the motion to approve the Board Policy B 470 on second reading as recommended, seconded by Mr. Wagner.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

2. Request Permission to Advertise for Bids for Gasoline and Diesel Fuel

The Administration requested permission to advertise for gasoline and diesel fuel bids as legally required. Bids would be taken on diesel and gasoline and the lowest bid accepted at that time, but all vendors would be accepted as responsible vendors if specifications were met.

Mr. Eller made the motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to grant permission for the Administration to advertise for bids for gasoline and diesel fuel.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

3. Act on Bids for School Buses

Friday, September 28th, 2007, bus bids were accepted from three companies for four type D 84-passenger buses, two 48-passenger buses with wheelchair spaces, and two 66-passenger buses with wheelchair spaces. The bids were as follows:

Midwest: \$736,798.00

Cardinal: \$749,284.00

Kerlin: \$804,142.00

The Administration recommended awarding the bid to Midwest Transit Equipment with a total bid of \$736,798.00. This amount included the trade-in and early payment allowances.

Mr. Eller made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Sprague, to award the bid as recommended to Midwest Transit Equipment. Dr. Foreman, Deputy Superintendent, stated the buses were \$5,000 to \$7,000 higher than they were last year. Mr. Eller inquired if there were air conditioned school buses. Dr. Foreman responded that there were, but air circulation was poor in the buses. Mr. Lane asked if there were school buses that could be purchased with seat belts for the passengers. Dr. Foreman stated seatbelts could be put in buses, but he was not aware of any school corporations that were doing so. Most school corporations were complying with the statutes which do not require seatbelts.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

4. Adopt Resolution to Authorize Refinancing of Bonds

The Board was briefed at the September board work session by Financial Advisor Lonnie Therber, on the present conditions of the bond market. Dr. Foreman stated the climate was such that it would be in the corporation's best financial interest to adopt a resolution authorizing the refinancing of these bonds.

The following resolution was presented for Board adoption:

WHEREAS, Lafayette School Corporation (the "School Corporation") approved certain leases bearing the date of October 12, 1992, July 12, 1993, April 7, 1994, and March 13, 2000, all as amended (the "Leases"), between the Vinton-Tecumseh School Building Corporation (the "Building Corporation"), as Lessor, and the Building Corporation as assignee of the Miami Miller School Building Corporation, as Lessor, and the School Corporation, as Lessee; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the School Corporation to direct the Building Corporation to take all steps necessary to prepare for a current refunding of all or a portion of the Vinton-Tecumseh School Building Corporation's First Mortgage Refunding Bonds, Series 1998 (the "1998 Bonds") and the advance refunding of the Miami Miller First Mortgage Bonds, Series 2000 (the "2000 Bonds"), which will generate additional cash from the existing lease rental payments due from the School Corporation and by utilizing the full term of the lease;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Corporation approves of the current refunding of the 1998 Bonds and the advance refunding of the 2000 Bonds and directs the Building Corporation to work with Therber & Brock, as financial advisor, Ice Miller LLP, as Bond Counsel, E. Kent Moore, Esquire, as counsel for the Vinton-Tecumseh School Building Corporation and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor to Bank One, Indianapolis, NA, as trustee, to effect the refunding in order to generate cash of at least \$545,031.

Mr. Lane made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Walton, to adopt the resolution to authorize the Administration to refinance the existing bonds. Mr. Lane inquired when this refinancing might take place and Dr. Foreman responded that it could be as soon as three weeks.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

5. Field Trip Requests

The Administration recommended approval of the following field trip requests:

- a. Varsity Singers, ACDA Regional Convention, Grand Rapids, Michigan, February 21-24, 2008
- b. First Edition, Broadway, New York, NY, March 25-March 28, 2008

Mrs. Walton made the motion, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to approve the field trip requests. From the information provided, Mrs. Sprague was unclear on the planning and dates for the Varsity Singers field trip, of which clarification was made. Board President Stwalley stated he had received concerns from parents regarding the cost of some of the field trips and he was concerned

that some students would be eliminated from the experience for financial reasons. Mr. Lane stated he felt every student who wanted to participate in a field trip should have the opportunity to participate. He thought most of financing would come from profits from the Haunted Feargrounds.

Superintendent Eiler stated there were a number of ways for a student to raise funds if they would do it. Dr. Eiler was not aware of any student who wanted to go on a field trip who was not able to go.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

6. Employee Recommendations

The Administration recommended approval of the following employee requests:

a. Leave

1. Michelle Emily Greene, pregnancy/childbirth, November 26, 2007-March 31, 2008

b. Resignations

1. Duane Abston, school bus driver, effective September 7, 2007
2. Kris Arihood, food service, Tecumseh Junior High School, effective August 20, 2007
3. Jennifer DeHoff, program aide, G.L.A.S.S., effective October 3, 2007
4. Taharanda Green, food service, Sunnyside Middle School, effective September 24, 2007
5. Angel Herrera, custodian, Tecumseh Junior High School, effective September 1, 2007
6. Colleen Hoffman, paraprofessional, Earhart Elementary School, effective September 25, 2007
7. Anna Ladisch, speech/language pathologist, G.L.A.S.S., effective October 2, 2007
8. Beth Parlon-Lyboult, preschool consultant, G.L.A.S.S., effective October 1, 2007
9. Melissa Walgamuth, CIT assistant, Edgelea Elementary School, effective September 10, 2007

c. Employment

1. Rosealand Brandmeyer, program aide (replacement)
2. Karen L. Brooks, CIT aide (replacement)
3. Emily Brown, speech/language pathology aide (replacement)
4. Melinda Brown, kitchen staff (replacement)
5. Amy Carless, program aide (replacement)
6. Elizabeth Dawson, intervention assistant (replacement)
7. Bambi Dean, program aide (replacement)
8. Benjamin Deckard, teacher assistant (new)
9. Carol Donohue, administrative assistant (replacement)
10. George Doughty III, Title 1 intervention assistant (replacement)
11. Jasper Edwards, paraprofessional (new)

12. Jessica Leigh Emery, breakfast helper (replacement)
13. Jennifer Francis, paraprofessional (new)
14. Taharanda Green, kitchen staff (replacement)
15. Greta Hoffman, kindergarten teacher (new)
16. Denise Hostetler, LPN/program aide (replacement)
17. Amber Johnson, intervention assistant (new)
18. Maria Lewellen, G.L.A.S.S. nurse/program aide (replacement)
19. Lisa Manuel-Wade, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
20. Amy Matillo, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
21. Erin Mitchell, program aide (replacement)
22. Chastity Robledo, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
23. Jennifer Ruff, G.L.A.S.S. psychologist communication facilitator (replacement)
24. Mary Ann Satterfield, 3rd grade aide (new)
25. Michaeline Schmitz, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
26. Brandy Schultz, lunch and recess aide (replacement)
27. Grahm Selm, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (new)
28. Ronald E. Simpson, lunchroom supervisor (new)
29. Ronald E. Simpson, program aide (new)
30. Kirsten Smith, resource center director (replacement)
31. Larry Stetler, LSC aide (replacement)
32. Ashley Stigers, G.L.A.S.S. program aide (replacement)
33. Cynthia L. Underwood, school bus driver (replacement)
34. Jennifer Lynn Voight, lunch supervisor (replacement)
35. Jeffrey A. White, paraprofessional (new)
36. Emilee Wintz, lunch supervisor (replacement)
37. Wendy Wolf, cafeteria manager/cook (replacement)
38. Kristi Young, Title 1 intervention aide (replacement)

Mrs. Sprague made the motion to approve the employee recommendations as presented, seconded by Mr. Lane.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

7. Recommend Acceptance of Gift

The Administration recommended acceptance of the following gift:

- a. F. 220 LARA monetary donations \$3,561.18

Mr. Wagner made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Walton, to accept the gift as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

8. Treasurer:

- a. The financial report will be filed for audit.
- b. The Administration recommended approval of the vendor claims and ratification of payrolls.

Mr. Lane made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Sprague, to approve the vendor claims and ratify payrolls.

Roll Call: Ayes: Wagner, Eller, Lane, Sprague, Walton, Stwalley.

Nays: None.

The motion carried.

G. Information Only

A report on the \$7,500,000 bond anticipation monies had been provided to the Board for the month of September as required by law.

H. Board Reports

There were no reports from board members.

I. Adjournment

There being no further business to be presented, Board President Stwalley called for a motion to adjourn. On motion duly made by Mrs. Sprague, seconded by Mr. Wagner and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Robert M. Stwalley, III, President

Rebecca Sprague, Secretary