

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Lakeview School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lakeview School District was held Monday, December 16, 2024, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Lakeview High School Forum, 15060 South Helmer Road, Battle Creek, MI 49015.

I. OPENING OF THE MEETING

A. Call to Order

Eric Greene called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

B. Roll Call

Eric Greene, President – *Present*

Aisha Coulson-Walters, Vice-President – *Present*

Jeff Perry, Treasurer – *Present*

Sara Johnson, Secretary – *Present*

Dr. Michael Glass, Trustee – *Present*

Melissa Metzger, Trustee – *Present*

Angela Myers, Trustee – *Present*

Amina Coulson-Walters, Student Representative – *Present*

C. Members Absent

D. Others Present

Staff and community members were present at the meeting.

E. Pledge of Allegiance

II. REVISION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Any revisions to the agenda must be approved before proceeding.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approves the agenda as printed.

Aisha Coulson-Walters moved, and Jeff Perry supported approving the agenda as revised by removing the following items from Section V: Item B and Section VIII: Item A.

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried

III. RECOGNITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM INTERESTED CITIZENS

A. Board of Education Members

1. Student Recognitions

a. LHS Girls Swimming and Diving

Presenter: Andy Fredenburg

Eric Greene, Dr. Patterson, and Coach Fredenburg recognized the Girls' Swimming and Diving team and presented individual student-athlete certificates from the Board of Education.

b. LHS Marching Band

Presenter: Ryan Miller

Eric Greene, Dr. Patterson, and Ryan Miller recognized LHS Marching Band students for placing 4th in flight 2 at the 2024 MCBA State Championship.

2. Board Member Comments

Sara Johnson commented on the recent middle school and high school band, choir, and orchestra events and commended the music department team.

B. Administration

The Administration made no comments.

C. Student Representative Report

Amina Coulson-Walters reported on the recent LHS MASQUE production of Clue and that the Multicultural Club had a successful annual holiday bake sale. Coulson-Walters shared that students are excited about the upcoming holiday break.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A member of the public may address the Board briefly (up to three minutes) or request to be scheduled on the agenda of a future meeting.

Michael McCune, 163 Woodhaven Dr., commented on the district facilities used for baseball.

V. SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Lakeview Alternative Education Building Report

Presenter: Allison Olson

Allison Olson provided an overview of the goals for each program: Early Childhood Special Education, Middle School Resilience Empowerment Center (REC), and Lakeview Alternative High School.

~~B. Recommended Purchase—Developing Decoders~~

~~Presenter: Stacy Helmboldt~~

C. Public Input Report

Dr. Patterson reported that there was no public comment to follow up on from the November regular meeting.

D. Retirements/Resignations/Leaves of Absence

Dr. Patterson reported on recent staff resignations in the district.

VI. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Legislative Committee Update

Eric Greene shared that the Board of Education's Legislative Committee recently met and discussed current legislative proposals. Greene stated that one of the committee's goals is to propose resolutions to the full Board on issues that impact the district.

B. Policy Committee Member Appointment

Eric Greene appointed Angela Myers to fill the open seat and serve on the Board of Education's Policy Committee.

C. Board Officer Nomination Committee Appointment

Eric Greene appointed Aisha Coulson-Walters and Sara Johnson to constitute the Board of Education's Officer Nomination Committee.

D. 2024-2025 CASB Annual Award Nomination

Eric Greene shared that the Board of Education needs to take action on this item at the January Board meeting. Sara Johnson expressed interest in nominating Kathleen Moore for the Professional Award and nominating the Burma Center's THRIVE Program for the Citizens Award.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Aisha Coulson-Walters moved, and Jeff Perry supported the Board of Education's approval of the Consent Agenda as printed.

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried

A. Approves November Expenditures by Fund

B. Approves November Financials

C. Approves November Food Service Report

D. Approves November Bills and Accounts

E. Approves November Regular Meeting Minutes

F. Designates Southern Michigan Bank and Trust as an additional financial depository institution

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

~~A. Approves purchasing Developing Decoders for grades K-3 to be paid for with MDE 35a and 35j Grants for an amount not to exceed \$125,000~~

IX. ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - January 27, 2025, at 6:00 PM

A. Oath of Office

B. Election of Officers

C. CASB Citizen & Professional Award Nomination—Action

D. First Budget Amendment

E. Superintendent Goals Update

X. ADJOURNMENT

Aisha Coulson-Walters moved, and Jeff Perry supported the Board of Education's approval to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried