

**MINUTES**  
**LAMOTTE SCHOOL DISTRICT 43**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING**  
**December 12, 2012 4:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, LaMotte School District #43 was held on December 12, 2012 for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board of Trustees. Vice Chair Elisa Eshbaugh presided. Vice Chair Eshbaugh called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m.

**Trustees Present:** Ken Miller, Stacey Etchart, Elisa Eshbaugh, Karen Sipes-Schmidt

**Staff Present:** LeeAnn Burke, Principal; Sue Becker, Business Manager; Sally Birkelo, District Clerk

**Public Present:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Presiding Trustees Explanation of Procedures**

*The LaMotte Board of Trustees welcomes public comment on issues and concerns. Members of the community are given an opportunity to make brief comments to the board on any matter not included in the agenda. Comments on agenda items will be accepted when that item comes up during the meeting. Interested persons may also submit views in written form to the Clerk prior to the meeting, and those comments will be brought to the attention of the Board during the meeting.*

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**November 14, 2012 Regular Meeting**

Board Discussion: Trustees reviewed the minutes, finding neither changes nor revisions.

Motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting November 14, 2012.

Motion: Trustee Miller

Second: Trustee Etchart

Public Comment: None

Motion passed unanimously.

**Principal's Report**

**In her report to the trustees Principal Burke presented to the Board:**

- The Walmart cards will be purchased and picked up later this week.
- The Holiday Program is December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.
- Researched that other districts prorate tuition by a daily rate. She recommended that we remain this process. Only 20% of school districts charge out of district tuition.
- The new Promethean is ready for installation. One piece had to be sent back due to shipping damages.
- Interviews for maternity subs begin on Friday with the hope that a sub will be in place prior to winter break.

**Trustee Discussion and Reports**

- **Prorate tuition-** Trustees discussed but no action was taken
- **Parent survey results-** Trustees and Mrs. Burke discussed the responses from the parent survey. Principal Burke was surprised that more surveys were not returned. Trustees felt that overall the responses are positive and parents have had many opportunities to voice concerns. Trustees felt that parents have many avenues for communication. The school will continue to strive for open communication between parent and school.

- **School legislation** – Principal Burke provided a summary of the LC132 supported by MTSBA, different funding sources for schools.

### **Financial Update**

Business Mgr Becker reported that the GASB 45 audit regarding health insurance is due. She reported that the budget is on track for the year.

#### **Approval of warrant report # 1903-1915, # 17610-17650 and ACH payments**

Board Discussion: Trustees inquired about several warrant payments.

Motion to approve warrant report # 1903-1915, # 17610-17650 and ACH payments.

Motion: Trustee Etchart

Second: Trustee Miller

Public Comment: None

Motion passed unanimously.

### **Agenda Action Items**

#### **1. Gifted and Talented Plan:**

Principal Burke provided the final draft of the CoGat test which will be given to third graders in February and will be given annually to third graders.

Board Discussion:

Motion to approve the Gifted and Talented Plan

Motion: Trustee Etchart

Second: Trustee Miller

Public Comment:

Motion passed unanimously

#### **2. Approval of Additions to the Substitute List**

Board Discussion: Clerk Birkelo informed the board of a new substitute teacher on the LaMotte list.

Motion to approve additions to the substitute list as prepared by the County Superintendent of Schools.

Motion: Trustee Miller

Second: Trustee Eshbaugh

Public Comment: none

Motion passed unanimously

### **Policy**

#### **3000 Instruction**

#### **Series Review**

Board discussion: The series will be tabled until the next meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 4:57 p.m.

Motion: Trustee Etchart

Second: Trustee Miller

Motion passed unanimously

**The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is January 16, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.**

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Elisa Eshbaugh, Vice Board Chair

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Sally Birkelo, District Clerk