

**MINUTES
LAMOTTE SCHOOL DISTRICT 43
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
February 16, 2011
6:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, LaMotte School District #43 was held on February 16, 2011 for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board of Trustees. Chairperson Amy Allen presided.

Chairperson Allen called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Trustees Present: Amy Allen, Mike Hedegaard, Sandee Mills

Staff Present: LeeAnn Burke, Principal; Sally Birkelo, District Clerk

Public Present: Rebecca Powell

Pledge of Allegiance

Presiding Trustees Explanation of Procedures

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Minutes of Previous Meeting

January 19, 2011 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve minutes from January 19, 2011 Regular Meeting

Motion: Trustee Hedegaard

Second: Trustee Mills –passed unanimously

Staff Discussion & Reports

Principal's Report

In her report Principal Burke presented the following information to the Board:

- She is creating a brochure to present facts regarding tax impact and general fund data for a levy election. The brochure will be sent to district taxpayers.
- She attended a rural school administrator meeting today. One item discussed was the gifted identification program in the Bozeman school district. LaMotte will adopt the criteria to identify gifted and talented students.
- A jump up day for the 8th graders is May 25th at Bozeman High. Students will be oriented to the high school.
- LaMotte will provide test scores and assessments for students entering 9th grade to the Bozeman school district. Data will be compiled for student placement in classes in high school.

Financial Update

Approval of warrant report # 16837-16873 and #1591-1614 and ACH payments.
Motion to approve warrant report # 16837-16873 and #1591-1614 and ACH payments.
Motion: Trustee Hedegaard
Second: Chair Allen -passed unanimously

Trustee Discussion and Reports

- Trustees inquired as to Principal Burke offering additional privileges to middle school students.
- Trustee Mills inquired as to a downhill ski trip. The school is offering a downhill ski trip on alternating years. A cross country trip will be taken every year.
- Trustees discussed the new tooth brushing system for students.
- Trustees discussed a staff letter requesting that teachers would not have to pay tuition for their out of district children. Principal Burke will draft a version for the next meeting.
- Trustees discussed an opt out sheet for parental directory permission for next year.

Short Term Goals Update

- Principal Burke will provide an updated version at the next meeting.

Public Input on Non-Agenda Items

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Public comment:

None given.

Policy

1110 Taking office

Motion to adopt policy 1110
Motion- Trustee Mills
Second- Trustee Hedegaard -passed unanimously

3000 Series review

Motion to adopt the 3000 series with the exception of policy 3141
Motion- Trustee Hedegaard
Second- Chair Allen-passed unanimously

3141 will return for further review at the next meeting

Policy 3310

Motion to adopt policy 3310 with revisions.
Motion- Trustee Mills
Second- Chair Allen -passed unanimously

Agenda Items:**1. Trustee resolution calling for an election**

Trustees discussed a mail election versus a polling election. Trustees will have more information on this issue next week. No action taken.

2. Acceptance of nonresident student

Principal Burke recommended accepting a fifth grade student.

Motion to accept nonresident student.

Motion: Trustee Hedegaard

Second: Trustee Mills

3. Budget review

Principal Burke shared a spreadsheet of preliminary budget numbers from OPI. No action was taken

4. Technology purchase approval

Principal Burke recommended purchase of 20 laptops and a wireless laptop cart.

Motion to approve technology purchase.

Motion: Trustee Mills

Second: Trustee Hedegaard- passed unanimously

5. Approval of hiring long-term substitute

Principal Burke recommended hiring Halcyon Bjornstad as a long term substitute for PE during maternity leave.

Motion to approve hiring Halcyon Bjornstad as a long term substitute.

Motion: Trustee Hedegaard

Second: Chair Allen—passed unanimously

6. Evaluation of administrator

Principal Burke did not waive her right to privacy. The Board entered closed executive session at 7:43 p.m. The Board exited closed session at 8:30 p.m. The regular meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is March 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.

Motion: Trustee Hedegaard

Second: Trustee Allen -passed unanimously

Amy Allen, Board Chair

Sally Birkelo, District Clerk