

**South Lake Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
January 18, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the South Lake Schools' Board of Education, held on January 18, 2017, in the South Lake Administration Building, located at 23101 Stadium Boulevard, St. Clair Shores, Michigan was called to order at 6:28 p.m. by our President, Charlotte Rebelein.

Members present: Charlotte Rebelein, Michael Damiani, Julie Ann Magee,
Lois Cardenas, Melissa Gordon, Kelly Gattuso, Robert Penn

Administrators present: Ted Von Hiltmayer, Frank Thomas, John Thero

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charlotte Rebelein.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Rebelein recommended Board of Education approval for the items listed on the Consent Agenda which include:

- Checks written for December 2016:

General Fund	\$652,266.53
Activity Fund	\$7,583.75
Cafeteria Fund	\$34,907.89
2014 Bond Fund	\$189,142.56
Amer. Express	<u>\$29,521.69</u>
Total	\$913,422.42

- Minutes from the Board of Education Regular Meeting of December 14, 2016
- Attorney Invoices in the amount of \$14,769.87

Moved by Mr. Damiani, seconded by Mrs. Cardenas to approve above Consent Agenda.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 1 Motion Carried: 6/1
Julie Magee

STUDENT REPORT

There was no student report this evening.

BOARD BRIGHTENER

Mrs. Larsen and Mr. Weir were here with their students to present the Board Brightener. Mrs. Larsen shared a short power point and they spoke about how they are trying to increase achievement in the area of Social Studies. They are working on relating what they teach to what the kids care about. Mrs. Larsen thanked the Board for all their service throughout the year. Mr. Weir introduced his students and the students were able to share some of the projects they have been working on that correspond with the units they are studying at this time.

ANNUAL MACOMB CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION AWARDS

Mr. Thero congratulated our CTE award winners. We will have two students and one local business honored this year at the 2017 Annual Macomb CTE Awards Banquet on Friday, February 3rd, from 8:00 – 10:15.

Students are honored for excellence in their schoolwork while business partners are recognized for contribution to, and support of, career technical education efforts in public schools.

Our winners this year are:

- Madison Olstyn, Grade 12 - Marketing - Outstanding Senior
- Jacqueline Whitcher, Grade 12 - Culinary Arts - Outstanding Student
- Mike Ostrowski – Official Towing

Jacqueline was present to accept her award.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments on agenda items.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

January is School Board Recognition Month, and South Lake Schools is joining all schools and Intermediate School Districts across the State to thank these community volunteers for their untiring dedication to public education. Serving on a school board has been described as the ‘toughest volunteer job in America.’ Yet Michigan’s public school board members dedicate countless personal hours to attending meetings, school functions, and in preparation for the decisions they are called to make. School board members develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our education system. On top of that, many pursue their own professional development to stay current with the ever-changing education landscape. Collectively, school board members in Michigan have spent about 7,000 hours attending training and professional development. They are dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our schools and students.

We proudly join educators and community members in saluting these education advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding and school facilities. They provide grassroots governance of public schools and preserve the core of our democracy— public education. Thank you South Lake Schools Board of Education members!

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Mr. Thero reported on the following:

Our Kindergarten and Preschool Enrollment Fair is scheduled to take place this year on Saturday, February 25, 2017, at Elmwood Elementary School. Information will be readily available on our website and at the schools. We are also working on an ad that we will have published in C & G Newspapers in early February. We hope to see many new faces on February 25th!

Schools of Choice Update

The second semester Schools of Choice window will close on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. Due to current student numbers, we are only offering limited openings in 1st – 9th grades for Macomb County residents.

RFP for Wireless Infrastructure

South Lake Schools has released Request for Proposals (RFPs) for new wireless infrastructure. The RFPs can be found on the Universal Service Administrative Company’s (USAC) website at www.usac.org. All bids are due by 2:00 p.m. on January 26, 2017, to the Board Office located at 23101 Stadium Blvd. St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Expenditures from Jersey Mike’s Fundraiser

Last year, South Lake partnered with Louis Asher and Jersey Mike’s Sub Shop for a fundraiser intended to help provide after school enrichment activities for students in South Lake Schools. The fundraiser resulted in South Lake receiving \$5,000 for this purpose.

We have begun the process of using these funds for the following purposes:

- SLHS Mighty CavBots - \$500 for parts needed to build the robot for this year’s competition

- South Lake Drama Club - \$500 towards the purchase of wireless microphones
- SLMS Girls on The Run - \$500 to pay registration fees and T-shirts for 10 girls to participate in the Girls on the Run program
- Cheer Club – Up to \$250 to pay for T-shirts for girls on the SLMS Cheer Team
- SLMS Green Team – Up to \$200 for the purchase of mulch, topsoil and plants. Up to \$200 for transportation costs for field trips, and up to \$100 for T-shirts for Green Team members
- Elmwood Ecology Club – Up to \$425 for the purchase of T-shirts and bird houses
- South Lake Band – Up to \$500 to supplement costs for sending students to summer music camp

South Lake would again like to thank Louis Asher and the team at Jersey Mike’s Subs in St. Clair Shores for their support of the South Lake community.

Mr. Thero also noted that last Friday, we did a walk-through with five vendors for the RFP. We are getting some great competitive bids.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Thomas requested Board of Education approval to grant Ronald Jansen the Math Teacher position at South Lake High School effective January 9, 2017, through the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Ronald earned his Bachelor Degree in Secondary Education from Wayne State University.

Moved by Mr. Damiani, seconded by Mrs. Cardenas, to approve to grant Ronald Jansen a probationary contract for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

Mr. Thomas requested Board of Education approval to grant Kimberly Smale the Secondary Teacher Consultant position at South Lake High School effective through the remainder of the 2016/2017 school year. Kimberly earned her Bachelor’s Degree in Education from Western Michigan University and her Masters of Special Education from Saginaw Valley State University.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mr. Penn, to approve to grant Kimberly Smale the Secondary Teacher Consultant position at South Lake High School for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

BUSINESS REPORT

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education Approval of Change Orders, Group #16, 2014 Bond Fund for the credit amount of \$1,608.12. This money will be returned to the 2014 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mr. Penn, seconded by Mr. Damiani, to approve the change orders as noted in Attachment A for the credit amount of \$1,608.12.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education Approval of Payment of Bond Draw #26, 2014 Bond Fund. Invoices have been received and deemed appropriate for payment for work on the 2014 bond projects. These invoices will be paid out of the 2014 Bond Fund in the amount of \$265,904.33.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mrs. Gordon to approve payment of Bond Draw #26 in the amount of \$265,904.33.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education Approval of Resolution to Impose a Summer Property Tax Levy.

It is required by law that we have this resolution approved by the Board and sent to the various municipalities that levy the taxes for the district.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mrs. Magee to approve the Resolution to Impose a Summer Property Tax Levy.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Penn

- Happy New Year. It is nice to see everyone back in the swing of things.
- Thanked Koepsell for their presentation, they did a fantastic job.
- Welcome to Mr. Jansen and Ms. Smale.

Melissa Gordon

- Congratulations to Jacqueline and Madison on their CTE Awards.
- Welcome back to everyone.
- Thanked Mrs. Larsen and Mr. Weir for their presentation.

Kelly Gattuso

- Welcome and thank you for all attending tonight.
- Please research Betsy DeVos and contact your congressman if you agree or disagree.

Lois Cardenas

- Happy New Year.
- Thanked Koepsell for their wonderful presentation.
- Congrats to the CTE students.
- Welcome to our new hires.

Julie Magee

- Thanked Mrs. Larsen and Mr. Weir.
- Congrats to the CTE students. I love seeing the students be so successful.
- Thanks Jersey Mikes for partnering with us. It is great to be able to continue with our programs.
- Mrs. Gordon and I attended the MLK day celebration at the high school. Senator Bieda, and Congressman Sander Levin were speakers at this even. I was very disappointed that this was not well attended. We need to support our kids no matter where they go.

Michael Damiani

- Thanked Koepsell for their Board Brightener. This school has a special place in my heart. What you did tonight was phenomenal.
- Congratulations to our CTE students.
- Wished everyone a Happy New Year.
- Welcome Ms. Smale and Mr. Jenson.
- Thanked everyone who stayed for the meeting.
- Thanked Jersey Mikes for their donations. The robotics team has greatly benefited from these donations.
- Thanked Partners in Architecture for their donation of \$500.00 to go towards equipment needed for the robotics team.

Ted Von Hiltmayer

- Thanked the School Board for all their time.
- Welcome to Ms. Smale and Mr. Jensen.
- Thanked everyone from Koepsell for staying for the meeting.
- Congrats to Madison and Jacqueline. Jacqueline was a student at Koepsell when I was there. It is nice to be able to follow her journey from elementary to high school.
- South Lake Schools will be hosting Eats, Beats and Greet on Thursday, February 16 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. There will be food, music and staff members available to meet. More information to come soon.

John Thero

- Welcome back everyone. Welcome back Ms. Smale.
- The CTE breakfast is really a nice event to attend.
- Students are starting to get ready for mid-terms.

Frank Thomas

- We will be starting the sale of our series 2 bonds. Looking for a good day tomorrow.

Veda Hall

- Thanked Koepsell for their presentation. We love seeing the kids.
- Welcome to Ms. Smale and Mr. Jansen.
- Congratulations to the CTE students.

Charlotte Rebelein

- Welcome to Mr. Jansen and Ms. Smale.
- Hope everyone had a good holiday season.
- Jacqueline I did not really know you but have known your mom for years.
- There was a nice article in the Grosse Pointe news regarding our new tenant, "The Lake House" who is now using Pare Elementary School as their new home.
- Welcome to everyone for attending tonight.
- Thanked Koepsell for their presentation.
- Thanked Mrs. Larsen and Mr. Weir for coming.

Mrs. Cardenas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Gordon.

Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Ann Magee

Prepared by Veda Hall