

**South Lake Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
March 21, 2018**

The Regular Meeting of the South Lake Schools' Board of Education, held on March 21, 2018, at the South Lake Administration Building, 23101 Stadium Blvd., St. Clair Shores, Michigan was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by our Vice-President, Michael Damiani.

Members present: Michael Damiani, Robert Penn, Kelly Gattuso, Lois Cardenas, Julie Magee

Members absent: Charlotte Rebelein, Melissa Gordon

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Damiani.

Mr. Damiani began by reading the rules and regulations regarding public comments at Board meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA

Checks written for February 2018

General Fund	\$312,697.22
Activity Fund	\$17,046.55
Cafeteria Fund	\$25,230.99
2017 Bond Fund	\$771,817.44
American Express	\$24,810.28
Total	<u>\$1,151,602.48</u>

Board of Education Approval is Recommended for the following:

- Minutes from the Board of Education Special Meeting of February 14, 2018
- Minutes from the Board of Education Closed Session of February 14, 2018
- Minutes from the Board of Education Regular Meeting of February 21, 2018
- Checks written for February 2018 totaling \$1,151,602.48
- Attorney Invoices totaling \$957.63

Moved by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Julie Magee to approve above Consent Agenda.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

STUDENT REPORT

Nolan Girven reported on the following:

- SLHS Drama Club will be performing Legally Blonde the Musical on March 23 and 24. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the play begins at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and children and students \$7.
- Easter Egg Hunt at the A-Field will take place on Sat., March 24th, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- SLHS had a blood drive and donations totaled 18 pints.
- NHS assembled 65 Easter baskets and donated them to the Macomb County Dept. of Human Services.

- Gail Ashburn took her students to the elementary buildings to read for March is Reading Month.
- SLHS had Test Fest this week where students in grades 9-11 took the PSAT test. The PSAT test helps prepare students for the upcoming SAT test.
- The students who performed at the recent Solo and Ensemble Festival on March 17th performed well. The Flute Quintet (Mya Perron, Delany Rivest, Anna Jackson, Shanna Talaban and Amanda Ferguson) earned a Division 1 rating. The Flute Trio (Mya Perron, Shanna Talaban and Amanda Ferguson) earned a Division 2 rating. The Tenor Saxophone Soloist, Chase Streeter, earned a Division 1 rating.
- Winter sports has ended. Our students worked hard and performed well. A few highlights from the season were the Varsity Boys' Basketball team, 19-3, earning them the Silver/Bronze 1st Place Award. Our bowling team also did very well this season.
- Have a safe and happy spring break.

BOARD BRIGHTENER – AVALON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Jessica Taylor talked about the new curriculum purchased for ECSE classes this year. It is called Read It Once Again. Students range in age in ECSE from 2 ½ - 6 years old and all students have an IEP. The new program materials were used as soon as they were received this year. Thank you from the students and staff for purchasing the program.
- Ashley Firman and Jane Shook are CI classroom teachers. Ashley Firman teaches lower elementary and Jane Shook teaches the upper elementary students. Ashley Firman shared how they are using the new program TeachTown which was piloted last school year. They started the program in December and use it on classroom IPADs. Some of the program highlights: lessons can be disabled if too difficult for student; student levels can be adjusted; over 100 rewards and most of those are received after every lesson mastered; IEP goals can be logged into program; reports can also be easily be run from the program. Thank you for TeachTown and for also purchasing IPADs for our students.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Von Hiltmayer updated us on current and upcoming bond improvements. The Culinary Arts classroom should be open by the time we return from spring break. Chef Shepherd does not think we will open the restaurant to the public this year. He wants students prepared and feels they will not be ready this year. We expect to have a grand opening at the start of next year. Some of the summer work that will be happening will be new roofs and a lot of site work. There will be updated parking lots at each building with a new student drop-off area at SLMS and an additional parking lot at Elmwood.

Mr. Von Hiltmayer asked if Mr. Hambaum wanted to add anything. Mr. Hambaum said that he gives credit to the contractors for all their hard work. Things are moving along well.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Mr. Thero went over special things happening during March is Reading Month.

Mr. Thero gave an update on Kindergarten and GSRP enrollment for 2018-2019.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education approval for a leave of absence request for Kimberly Cravens for the 2018/2019 school year.

Moved by Robert Penn, seconded by Lois Cardenas, to approve a leave of absence for Kimberly Cravens for the 2018/2019 school year.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

BUSINESS REPORT

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education approval for a list of change orders, Group #5, that have been received and approved for the bond projects. The money for the change orders will be returned to the 2017 Bond Fund. These amount to a credit of \$69,536.02.

Moved by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Julie Magee, to approve change orders in Group #5 in the credit amount of \$69,536.02 to be returned to the 2017 Bond Fund.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education Approval of Payment of Bond Draw #41, 2017 Bond Fund. Invoices have been received and deemed appropriate for payment for work on the 2017 bond projects. These invoices will be paid out of the 2017 Bond Fund in the amount of \$193,522.47. Some are final payments.

Moved by Robert Penn, seconded by Lois Cardenas, to approve payment of Bond Draw #41 in the amount of \$193,522.47.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education approval for Authorization of the 2018 School Building and Site Bonds Resolution.

Moved by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Julie Magee, to approve the approval for Authorization of the 2018 School Building and Site Bonds Resolution.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

Mr. Thomas recommended Board of Education approval that Award of South Lake Schools Exterior Envelope Upgrades (Roofing) to be paid out of the 2018 Bond Fund for a total of \$1,695,950.00 be approved.

Moved by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Robert Penn, to approve that Award of South Lake Schools Exterior Envelope Upgrades in the amount of \$1,695,950.00 be approved.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

Mr. Thomas recommended that Award of South Lake Schools Exterior Envelope Upgrades (site work) from the 2018 Bond Fund in the amount of \$1,041,802.00 be approved.

Moved by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Julie Magee, to approve that Award of South Lake Schools Exterior Envelope Upgrades in the amount of \$1,041,802.00 be approved.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

Mr. Thomas introduced Brian Gesaman from McCarthy & Smith to answer any questions. There were no questions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Diane West shared that SLEA will be hosting its annual Easter Egg Hunt at the A-Field on Sat., March 24, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. There will be crafts, tattoos and the Easter Bunny on site. She hopes to see everyone there.

MISCELLANEOUS

Julie Magee

- Thanked Nolan Girven for his update.
- Congratulations to all our winter athletes especially the basketball team.
- Good luck to the students in the upcoming play – Legally Blonde.
- Thank you to Avalon Elementary for the presentation on the new curriculum. It is nice to see curriculum in action.
- Thanks to the administrators and Dave Hambaum for all their hard work.
- Thanks to Mr. Thero especially for the report on the exciting things happening for March is Reading Month. Those are great activities for kids. I love to read and right now am reading Old Man in the Sea.
- Thank you to McCarthy & Smith representative for attending the meeting.

Lois Cardenas

- I love to read too!
- Thanks to our students and to the students across the country and the world. You can really tell they paid attention in Civics class. They taught us a great lesson.
- Happy Easter.

Kelly Gattuso

- Thanks to everyone for attending the meeting.
- Have a happy spring break.

Robert Penn

- Thank you to Nolan Girven for his presentation.
- I especially enjoyed watching the basketball game last week against Harper Woods.
- Thank you to all our athletes.
- Looking forward to seeing the play on Friday. Unfortunately I won't be able to attend the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday.

Ted Von Hiltmayer

- Thank you to Mrs. Saleh, Jessica Taylor, Ashley Firman, Jane Shook and Karen Wrona for attending the meeting.
- Have a safe and happy spring break.

Michael Damiani

- Ditto on everything.
- Thank you to Nolan Girven for his report.
- Excited for the Bistro and other work that is progressing.
- The Solo & Ensemble students did a wonderful job. Anna Jackson, who was part of a quintet, actually left a Robotics competition on the day of the festival to perform and returned back to the Robotics competition when the performance was over. Her group earned a Division 1 rating.
- Thank you to Dave Hambaum and McCarthy and Smith representative for attending the meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Lois Cardenas, seconded by Julie Magee.

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 5/0

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Penn

Prepared by Tina Jamieson