

**SOUTH LAKE SCHOOLS**  
**Board of Education Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 16, 2014**

The regular meeting of the South Lake Schools' Board of Education, held on April 16, 2014, in the South Lake Administration Building, located at 23101 Stadium Boulevard, St. Clair Shores, Michigan was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by our president Ellen Dunn.

Members present: Ellen Dunn, Paula Mack-Crouchman, Christi Frazier, Charlotte Rebelein, Kelly Gattuso

Members absent: Karla Anderson, Lois Cardenas

Administrators present: Pamela Balint, John Thero, Ted Von Hiltmayer, Matthew Dishman

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Dunn.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Checks written for March 2014**

General Fund	\$493,835.56
Activity Fund	\$23,395.25
Cafeteria Fund	\$47,190.20
2008 Bond Fund	\$16,800.00
Latch Key Fund	\$430.63
PEGS	\$18,733.26
American Express	\$28,721.73
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$629,106.63</b>

- Minutes from the Board of Education Study Session of March 19, 2014
- Minutes from the Board of Education Regular Meeting of March 19, 2014
- Attorney Invoices for the month of February totaling \$1,430.00

Moved by Ms. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman to approve above Consent Agenda.

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

**STUDENT REPORT**

Errol French was here to report on the following:

- The students enjoyed having a week off for Spring break.
- The seniors are counting down their days. They have 30 left.
- Celebration of the Arts will be held on May 1.

**BOARD BRIGHTENER**

Mrs. Poleski along with Renee Kraft, Andrew Molloy, David Medvedik, Cardale Patterson and Spencer Reed were here to present a power point on "Sharing the Planet." The students are learning ways to focus on the economy of today. They showed various ways students can earn money by doing a variety of different things. They also showed how to save the income earned. This helps the students to become economically minded.

**WINTER SPORTS AWARDS**

Mr. Rinehart was present to give an update on the winter sports program. He thanked the Board of Education and Administration for their support.

The following students were present to report on their specific sports' team:

Jackie Cardno - Bowling

Logan Holtz - Boys Swim

There were a total of 89 students participating in six winter sports. A total of 55 or about 62% were on the honor roll. Two J.V. athletes earned all A's while fourteen varsity athletes earned all A's. Forty-five out of sixty-eight varsity athletes or about 66% earned Scholar Athlete status. Ten out of twenty-one J.V. athletes about 48% earned Scholar Athlete status.

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>MVP/MIP</b>
Cheer	Dominique Stalling	MVP: Taylor Jones MIP: Cornisha Kendrick
Boys Basketball	Kurt Wilson	MVP: Damaris Heart MIP: Jeff Golden Record 9-5 Overall 14-9 JV Record League Overall Jeff Golden and Damone Tillman were 2 <sup>nd</sup> Team All County
Girls Basketball	Danielle Johnson	MVP: Nakyra Jordan MIP: Lauren Giurlanda Record 10-4 Overall 13-7 JV Record - Overall Moet Dickinson, Khadajah Williams and Nakyra Jordan made All Conference.
Boys Bowling	Mark Lipinski	MVP: Kevin McClain MIP: Alex Rosenthal Record 2-10 Keven McClain made All Conference.
Girls Bowling	Mark Lipinski	MVP: Jackie Cardno MIP: Chasity Homer Record 6.5-5.5 Jackie Cardno made All Conference
Unified Hockey	Russ DiCristofaro	Record 2-4 Overall 12-13
Boys Swim	Amy Way	MVP: Logan Holtz MIP: Avery Girvin Record 4-1 Overall 7-2 CITY CHAMPS! Bradly Deleersnyder - Division Meet MVP Logan Holtz was the MAC Gold Champion in the 200 Freestyle

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no public comments on agenda items.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mrs. Balint recommended Board of Education approval to adopt the Resolution for Review and Approval of the Proposed Macomb Intermediate School District Budget. In accordance with State mandates, the Macomb Intermediate School District's general fund operating budget must be approved by each of the Macomb County School Boards.

Moved by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Rebelein to Adopt the Resolution to Approve the Macomb Intermediate School District General Fund Operating Budget.

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

## **PERSONNEL REPORT**

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education approval to grant the following teachers probationary contracts for the 2014-2015 school year:

### **Probationary II**

- Darrel Shepherd
- Erin Willard

### **Probationary III**

- Fang MacCallumMhor
- Stephanie Gieger
- Jayme Trachsel
- Andrea Matzka
- Ami Bourgeois

### **Probationary IV**

- Melissa Benham

Moved by Mrs. Rebelein, seconded by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman to approve the probationary contracts for the 2014-2015 to the staff members listed above.

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

## **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT**

Mr. Thero recommended Board of Education approval to adopt the Resolution Recognizing April 2014 as *The Month of the Young Child*. April is *The Month of the Young Child* in South Lake Schools. This is a time when communities and individuals recognize the needs and rights of young children and their families.

Moved by Mrs. Rebelein, seconded by Ms. Frazier to Adopt the Resolution to recognize April 2014 as *The Month of the Young Child*.

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

Mr. Thero recommended Board of Education approval to adopt the Lego Robotics Curriculum. A request has been made to add Lego Robotics and Programming as an elective at South Lake Middle School for students in eighth grade. A sample of the curriculum was presented.

Moved by Ms. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Rebelein to approve the adoption of Lego Robotics Curriculum.

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

Mr. Thero recommended Board of Education approval to purchase Lego Robotics Materials. A request has been made to add Lego Robotics and Programming as an elective at South Lake Middle School for students in eighth grade. Budgets for materials and professional development costs have been presented totaling \$16,127.04.

Moved by Mrs. Rebelein, seconded by Ms. Gattuso to approve above purchase of materials totaling \$16,127.04.

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

Mr. Thero reported on the following:

### **Kindergarten & Preschool Enrollment Update**

We have a total of 52 students currently enrolled in our Kindergarten program as of April 4, 2014.

Avalon Preschool currently has 19 students enrolled for the 2014-2015 school year.

### **April is Autism Awareness Month**

The Autism Society has been celebrating National Autism Awareness month since the 1970's as a means of highlighting the growing need for concern and awareness about autism. The United States recognizes April as a special opportunity to educate the public about autism.

South Lake's Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Coaching Team consists of staff members working at various grade levels to bring their knowledge to staff and students of each school, facilitate understanding, and foster patience for our students diagnosed with Autistic Spectrum Disorder. As it has done for the past few years, this year the team will spearhead various activities to promote knowledge, discussion and interest about autism.

The ASD Coaching Team Members are as follows: Pat Ward, Autism Spectrum Teacher Consultant, MISD, Marty Kliebert, Matt Boggio, Annette Knapp, Roxanne Barzone, Ligia Rosu, Jessica Taylor, Natalie Harthen, Rosanne Knapp and Debora Rothbart.

### Summer School Update

South Lake Schools has entered into a consortium with Lake Shore Public Schools and the St. Clair Shores Adult and Community Education to offer summer school to high school and middle school students. Classes will run from June 23 – July 31, 2014 on Mondays through Thursdays except for the week of June 30 - July 4 when classes will not run. For more information, please contact your student's counselor.

### **BUSINESS REPORT**

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval to award the electrical work for the Middle School to Allied Building Services in the amount of \$3,168.00.

Moved by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Rebelein to award the electrical work for the Middle School to Allied Building Services in the amount of \$3,168.00.

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

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval to extend the contract of milk and dairy to Country Pride Dairy for the 2014-2015 school year.

Moved by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Rebelein to approve extending the contract of milk and dairy to Country Pride for the 2014-2015 school year.

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

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval of Resolution for Submission of Application for Preliminary Qualification of Bonds. South Lake Schools is submitting an Application for Preliminary Qualification of Bonds to the Michigan Department of Treasury for review and approval.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Ms. Frazier to approve the Resolution for Submission of Application for Preliminary Qualifications of Bonds.

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

Mr. Dishman recommended Board of Education approval to purchase a convection steamer for our food service program. Cathy Clarke, Director of Food Services, has informed us that the convection steamer in the kitchen needs to be replaced. Bids were received from several vendors. It is recommended that we purchase the convection steamer from HPS for \$13,570.05.

Moved by Mrs. Mack-Crouchman, seconded by Mrs. Rebelein to purchase a new steamer for our food service program.

Ms. Frazier left the room at 7:20 p.m.

Ayes: 4      Nays: 0      Motion Carried: 4/0

Ms. Frazier returned at 7:23 p.m.

### **OPERATIONS AND FINANCE REPORT**

The Optimist Club of St. Clair Shores has requested use of the Administration Building's parking lot to hold a Community "Garageless" Garage Sale on Saturday, June 21, 2014. The sale would take place from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The Optimist Club has agreed to pay any additional costs.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Kelly Gattuso**

- Thanked Ms. Kraft and her fourth grade students for their presentation.
- Thanked Chris Rinehart and all our athletes.

#### **Charlotte Rebelein**

- Celebration of the Arts will be held on May 1. Along with art work there is music from various schools.
- Thanked Ms. Kraft and her fourth graders for their presentation.
- Solo and ensemble was held recently and our students did great. Most students scored a 1 or 2. We had a sax quartet that took first place.
- The Alpha Optimist Club made ribbons for the students and staff at Avalon.
- The Optimist Champions banquet will be held on May 8 at Blossom Heath.

**Christi Frazier**

- Thanked the Avalon students for their presentation. Told the students to try to save a percentage of their earnings.
- Kudos to our athletes, they are winners on and off the court.
- Cannot believe the seniors only have 30 days left!

**Paula Mack-Crouchman**

- Great Presentation from our Avalon students. I learned a few tips myself.
- Congratulations to all our athletes.
- Go seniors! Cannot believe they have 30 days left.

**Pamela Balint**

- Great job Avalon students. We appreciate everything you had to say. Thank you for staying for the meeting.
- Congratulations to all our winter sport athletes. It is great to hear how many students participated and maintained their GPA while playing.
- We are excited to be able to offer the Lego Robotics program at our Middle School. This program integrates science, technology and math.
- Congratulations to the students who participated in the South Lake Middle School Alternate Science Olympiad Team at the regional Science Olympiad competition. Lucas Stinson earned a first place in the event Dynamic Planet. Jordan Olszewski earned a first place in the Wheeled Vehicle and Iris Qyteti and Gillian Skiba placed 5<sup>th</sup> in Write It Do It and 6<sup>th</sup> place in Simple Machines. Great Job!
- Congratulations to Jalen Dingle who officially signed with the Falcons to play football at Bowling Green State University.

**Ted Von Hiltmayer**

- Thanks to the Avalon students for their presentation. He would like a copy of the power point to show his kids.

**John Thero**

- Just a quick reminder to the community that our Celebration of the Arts is being held on May 1 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Our Robotics team did compete last week and received the "Rookie" inspirational award. They placed 118.

**Matthew Dishman**

- The Optimist Club of St. Clair Shores is holding their first Community "Garageless" Garage Sale on Saturday, June 21, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
- The Parkinson's Walk will be held at the South Lake athletic field on June 7. There will be a free fun run for the kids.

**Veda Hall**

- Thanked the Avalon Students for their presentation.
- The Alpha Optimist club raised \$100.00 to be donated to the Autism Foundation.
- Avalon will hold an Earth Day Parade on May 2 at 2:10 p.m.
- Avalon Special Olympics will be held on May 6.
- A 5<sup>th</sup> grade PYP Exhibition will be held on May 8 at 6:30 p.m.
- The Middle School will hold its honor roll assembly on April 23 starting at 8:15 a.m.
- Koepsell will be having a "Are you smarter than a 5<sup>th</sup> grader" competition on April 22 at 6:30 p.m.
- Koepsell will have their Talent Show on April 24 at 6:00 p.m.
- Koepsell will have their Annual Fancy Schmancy Art Auction on April 25 at 6:00 p.m.
- Celebration of the Arts will be held on May 1 at the High School from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**Ellen Dunn**

- Thanked Avalon for their great presentation.
- The High School play was wonderful! Appreciate all the time by students, director and parents. Also thank you to the volunteer musicians.
- The Senior Citizens Breakfast will be held on April 29 at 8:30 a.m. Contact Tina Jamieson.

Mrs. Dunn stated that the Superintendent Evaluation was held on February 12, 2014. The areas evaluated include:

- Board Relations
- Business & Finance
- Curriculum
- Building & Grounds
- Personnel
- Special Service
- Administrative relations
- Faculty relations
- Community relations
- Personal traits
- Educational Leadership
- District Goals
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The process involves each Board member filling in an evaluation sheet for all subject areas.

We are very pleased to inform the community that Mrs. Balint received outstanding numbers in all areas.

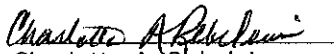
We look forward to continuing our relationship with Mrs. Balint.

Mrs. Mack-Crouchman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Frazier.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Charlotte A. Rebelein

Prepared by Veda Hall