

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

The Regular Meeting of the South Lake Schools' Board of Education, held on February 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 President, Charlotte Rebelein.

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

Administrators present: Ted Von Hiltmayer, John Thero

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Rebelein.

CONSENT AGENDA

Checks written for January 2018

General Fund	\$365,748.72
Activity Fund	\$3,997.00
Cafeteria Fund	\$26,284.71
Latch Key Fund	\$1,369.50
2017 Bond Fund	\$55,145.00
American Express	\$33,382.64
Total	\$485,927.57

- Minutes from the Board of Education Regular Meeting of January 17, 2018
- Minutes from the Board of Education Organizational Meeting of January 17, 2018
- Minutes from the Special Meeting of January 31, 2018
- Minutes from the Closed Session Meeting of January 31, 2018
- Attorney Invoices totaling \$416.50
- Field trip request for Middle School students to travel to Cedar Pointe on May 31, 2018

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

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

STUDENT REPORT

Kody Shipman, Vice President of Student Council reported for Nolan Girven this evening on the following:

- The pep assembly was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- Snowball was also cancelled due to inclement weather. The new date will be March 3.
- There was a great turnout at the Eats, Beats and Greetings. It was very successful.
- The current 8th grade students came over to visit the high school. They were able to enjoy some extracurricular activities and learn more about the high school.
- The spring play will be "Legally Blonde." This will take place on March 23 and 24.
- Gave an update on all our sports teams.

ELMWOOD BOARD BRIGHTENER

Mr. Fringer began by thanking the board of Education for all they do for the students, schools and community. Elmwood is continuing to support the PBIS programs (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports). Every quarter three students are recognized from each grade. They are treated to a wonderful lunch made by the staff. He invited the Board to attend.

Mr. Fringer introduced Jessica Crowell who suggested that Elmwood hold a Spelling Bee. This would be held for all students in grades 3, 4 and 5. It was a great success and Mr. Fringer and Ms. Crowell presented the three student winners with a trophy. Our fifth grade student will be participating in the MISD Spelling Bee and could go on to the next level. Mrs. Rebelein thanked all the parents and students from coming in. Two of our students spoke about how they prepared for this event.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Von Hiltmayer requested Board of Education Approval to Adopt a Resolution Recognizing March 2018 as Parenting Awareness Month. March is Parenting Awareness Month in the State of Michigan. Parenting Awareness Month seeks to draw public attention to the critical importance of parenting in helping children to become healthy, caring and contributing citizens.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Ms. Gattuso, to Adopt a Resolution Recognizing March 2018 as Parenting Awareness Month.

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

Mr. Von Hiltmayer requested Board of Education Approval to Adopt the New/Revised Bylaws, Policies and Administrative Guidelines. Attachment B is a synopsis of the New/Revised Bylaws, Policies and Administrative Guidelines that NEOLA has provided. The Policy Committee along with Wayne Peters met on January 24, 2018, to review the attached changes.

Moved by Mr. Penn, seconded by Mr. Damiani, to Adopt the New/Revised Bylaws, Policies and Administrative Guidelines as noted in Attachment B.

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

Due to the absence of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Von Hiltmayer will now present the Personnel and Business reports.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Von Hiltmayer requested Board of Education approval to grant Nathan Thompson the Biology teaching position at South Lake High School. Nathan earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Michigan State University and his Master of Arts degree from Oakland University.

Moved by Mrs. Magee, seconded by Mrs. Cardenas, to grant Nathan Thompson a probationary contract for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

Mr. Von Hiltmayer requested Board of Education approval to grant Scott Archibald the elementary Literacy Intervention Tutor position. Scott earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Michigan State University and his Master of Arts degree from Wayne State University.

Moved by Ms. Gattuso, seconded by Mrs. Cardenas, to grant Scott Archibald a probationary contract for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

BUSINESS REPORT

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education Approval of Change Orders – Group #3, 2017 Bond Fund for the total amount of \$63,290.77. Attachment A included a list of change orders that have been received and approved for the bond projects. The money for the change orders will be paid from or returned to the 2017 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mr. Damiani, to approve change orders as noted above.

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

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education Approval of Change Orders – Group #4, 2017 Bond Fund for the total amount of \$156,444.73. Attachment B included a list of change orders that have been received and approved for the bond projects in Cost Book #9. The money for the change orders will be paid from or returned to the 2017 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mr. Damiani, seconded by Mr. Penn to approve change orders as noted above.

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

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education Approval of Payment of Bond Draw #39, 2017 Bond Fund in the amount of \$395,272.65. Invoices have been received and deemed appropriate for payment for work on the 2017 bond projects. This invoice will be paid out of the 2017 Bond Fund. Some of these invoices are final payments.

Moved by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mr. Damiani, to approve payment of Bond Draw #39 in the amount of \$395,272.65.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Abstain: 1 Motion Carried: 6/1
Mrs. Magee

Mr. Von Hiltmayer recommended Board of Education Approval of Payment of Bond Draw #40, 2017 Bond Fund in the amount of \$321,724.79.

Invoices have been received and deemed appropriate for payment for work on the 2017 bond projects. This invoice will be paid out of the 2017 Bond Fund.

Moved by Mr. Damiani, seconded by Mrs. Cardenas to approve payment of Bond Draw #40 in the amount of \$321,724.79.

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

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

Mr. Thero requested Board of Education approval to begin taking Schools of Choice applications for the 2018-2019 school year on February 24, 2018. The closing date will be August 24, 2018.

Moved by Mr. Penn, seconded by Mrs. Magee, to approve the Schools of Choice window for grades K-12 for the 2018-2019 school year.

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

Our Kindergarten and Preschool Enrollment Fair is scheduled to take place this Saturday, February 24, 2018, from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. at Avalon Elementary School. Mr. Thero spoke about our Kindergarten program and how proud we are to offer Spanish, Mandarin, art, music, physical education and literacy support on a weekly basis.

Mr. Thero gave the Board an update in regards to Title I funds. At this time, our Consolidated Application has been reviewed and approved. Funds have been made available for allocation. All three elementary buildings are receiving Title I services.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Allen spoke about how proud he is of the Lancer staff. Several students were able to submit articles to the Macomb Daily for our CTE section. It will be printed and distributed on February 22. He did order several copies for our school. The students have also submitted their articles to compete in the MIPA awards competition. Yearbooks will be in on March 30.

MISCELLANEOUS

Julie Magee

- Thanked Kody for his report.
- Congratulations to all the sport teams.
- So glad they have rescheduled Snowball.
- Thanked Mr. Fringer for his presentation. It takes work to be positive and not negative.
- Thanked Mr. Von Hiltmayer, Mr. Thero and Mr. Thomas for their hard work.
- Thanked all the teachers that came out tonight.
- Welcome to our new hires.

Lois Cardenas

- Ditto to everything.
- Welcome to our new teachers.
- Thanked Elmwood for a great job. The students were so well spoken. So wonderful to hear what they have to say.

Melissa Gordon

- Thanked Kody for his report.
- The championship basketball game will be held this Saturday at Grosse Pointe North at 1:00 p.m.
- Thanked Mr. Allen for his update on yearbooks and Journalism students.
- Welcome to our new hires.
- Hope everyone had a nice winter break.

Kelly Gattuso

- It was so nice to see all the positive things happening at Elmwood. They did a great job.
- Thanked our teachers for coming.
- Congratulations to the new hires.
- Thinks the Spelling Bee is a great thing. I remember how hard it was for me when I was young to compete. It helps keep you accountable when working with your peers. It is so great that the students embraced it. Hope it continues and would like to see it at all our elementary schools.
- Thanks for coming out today.

Robert Penn

- Welcome to our new hires.
- Thanked Mr. Fringer for his presentation and congratulations to the students who won awards.
- Thanked Mr. Allen for his update.
- Briefly spoke about what happened in Florida. We have a great team of administrators, teachers and families in the community. We have a lot of trust in our leaders and staff. One thing I found amazing was to see how the kids in Florida are handling this situation. I hope our students are watching. You are never too young to speak up or be noticed.

Michael Damiani

- Welcome to our new hires. I hope you enjoy being a part of our family.
- The Elmwood presentation was so very interesting. Flabbergasted about this Spelling Bee. In our new day and age, it is so easy to just have your information auto correct, we do not have to actually know how to spell words.
- Thanked Kody for his report.
- Thanked Mr. Von Hiltmayer, Mr. Thero and Mr. Thomas for their effort in preparing our reports.
- Good luck to the basketball team.

- These times where we see tragedy and hear the stories about how those in the midst rose above and beyond, gives us some hope that someday, we will get past this insanity and see all the good. The students found a voice. I hope they are heard.

Ted Von Hiltmayer

- Thanked Mr. Fringer, students and staff for their Board brightener. It is so nice to see that enthusiasm in the building.
- I have received several questions from the staff and parents regarding the tragedy in Florida. I just wanted to let everyone know that we met last month with members of the St. Clair Shores Police Department to review our current procedures that are in place in our schools. It was an opportunity for us to receive feedback from them to see if we are following the correct procedures. We feel confident that our schools have plans in place that help to keep our students and staff safe. We hope to reassure everyone that the safest place to be is in school.

Charlotte Rebelein

- Thanked Elmwood for their presentation.
- Congratulations to the three students for all their hard work.
- Thanked Ms. Crowell for bringing the Spelling Bee to South Lake.
- Congratulations to our Journalism students. I look forward to reading those articles.
- I listened to the students speak today in regards to the Florida tragedy. I was blown away by their bravery with speaking. I could not believe how much they brought out their feelings as to how adults treat them. We are not just kids. The students told the legislators that if they do not do something, they will not vote for them in the future. I do feel that our students are being educated to know right from wrong. Each quarter I get letters from our AP government student with their ideas. Most of them are words of thanks showing how they appreciate what we do.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Cardenas, seconded by Mrs. Magee.
Ayes: 7 Nays: 0 Motion Carried: 7/0

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Penn, Secretary

Prepared by Veda Hall