

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
Regular Meeting
October 23, 2023**

President Johnson convened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson

Members Absent None

Donor Recognition Mrs. Jenkins recognized Mr. Joyner on behalf of the Hardies Family Trust, Mr. McConnell, President of the Livonia Historical Society, and Emily Tchorz-Fielder of Greenmeade Historical Park for sponsoring second grade field trips to Greenmeade's One Room School House which supports second-grade social studies curriculum. Grant Teacher, Amy Schlaud was also recognized for her dedication and efforts in advocating for and developing the second-grade field trip for all second-grade classes across LPS.

District Update from the Superintendent Superintendent Oquist presented highlights of recent activities taking place across the District, as well as upcoming events.

Written Communications None

Response to Prior Audience Communications None

Audience Communications LPS parents addressed the Board regarding LPS bullying policies and bullying prevention; October being Bullying Prevention Month and the impact of long-term bullying on ACES scores, Suggestion to create a video to promote positive student behavior and peaceful conflict resolution. An LPS student and their parent addressed the Board regarding their mistrust of Niji Administration. Westland City Councilwoman Melissa Sampey, LPS high school students, friends and family members addressed the Board regarding the exclusion of a substitute teacher.

Consent Agenda It was moved by Mrs. Burton and supported by Mrs. Bradford that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School

District approve the following consent agenda items, as recommended by the superintendent:

- V.A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 25, 2023
- V.B. Minutes of the Closed Meeting of October 02, 2023

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Wrestling Mats for Stevenson High School

It was moved by Mrs. Acosta and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the recommendation from Mr. Etue to purchase wrestling mats for Stevenson High School in the amount of \$29,255.00 from Dollumar Sports Surfaces, Fort Worth, Texas.

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Financial Statements for 2022-2023

It was moved by Mrs. Bonifield and supported by Mrs. Burton that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the 2022-2023 audit report as presented by the audit firm Plante Moran.

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Bid Results for Franklin and Cleveland Roofing

It was moved by Mrs. Jarvis and supported by Mrs. Acosta that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the recommendation from the Owner’s Representative, Plante Moran Realpoint, to award the contract for roofing replacement at Franklin High School to Lutz Roofing, Shelby, Michigan and Royal Roofing, Lake Orion, Michigan for Cleveland Elementary in the amount of \$4,246,400, plus 6% contingency in the amount of \$254,800 for a total approved project amount of \$4,501,200 and authorize the Superintendent or her designee to execute final contracts.

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Teachers for Approval

It was moved by Mrs. Frank and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 2023-24 school year to the following teachers:

Shannon Beliveau	1.0 Program Specialist	Student Services
Ian Boynton	1.0 Teacher	Cleveland
Quinn Brick	1.0 Teacher	Churchill

Tyra Burley	1.0 Psychologist	Student Services
Monica Domke	0.8 Social Worker	Garfield Skill Center
Christine Halliday	1.0 Teacher	Emerson
Marla Kepsel	1.0 Teacher	Holmes
Brittany Morris	0.3 Psychologist	Student Services
Howard Weiner	1.0 School Counselor	Stevenson

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Teachers for Tenure

It was moved by Mrs. Bradford and supported by Mrs. Acosta that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and acknowledge that tenure status has been granted to the following teachers, effective on the respective date:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Jacqueline Glowacki	October 04, 2023
Julia Palaian	October 08, 2023
Matthew Rautio	October 19, 2023

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Leaves of Absence

It was moved by Mrs. Frank supported by Mrs. Bradford that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the request for leaves of absence, as listed:

Anwar Mustafa	2023-24 School Year
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Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Resignations

The Board was informed of the following resignations:

Jeff Doran	November 03, 2023
Kristen Jones	August 23, 2023

Retirements

It was moved by Mrs. Burton and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt a resolution of appreciation for:

Mary Helen Diegel, who will retire from the District on November 22, 2023, devoted 27.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a Teacher at Churchill High School, Stevenson High School, Holmes Middle School, and Franklin High School.

Ann Pedersen, who will retire from the District on January 5, 2023, devoted 29.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a general helper and assistant kitchen manager at Emerson Middle School, Frost Middle School, and Holmes Middle School.

Nancy Virzi, who will retire from the District on December 1, 2023, devoted 29.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a cook, baker, general helper, and kitchen manager at Hayes Elementary and Holmes Middle School.

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

**Second Reading
of Board Policies
– Fiscal
Management:**

It was moved by Mrs. Frank and supported by Mrs. Bradford that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the recommendation of the Policy Committee to adopt the changes and wording for the following policies.

**DIA – Account
System**

**BOARD POLICY
FISCAL MANAGEMENT
ACCOUNT SYSTEM**

**DIA
JUNE 20, 1988
Reviewed 11/2013**

All accounting maintained by the Board of Education shall be in accordance with the system of school accounting as recommended by the State of Michigan. **The Michigan School Accounting Manual (Bulletin 1022) shall serve as a mandatory guide to the uniform classification and recording of all accounting transactions for the school district.** A complete record of all expenditures shall be maintained in these accounts so that a periodic examination by the Board of Education or its representatives can easily identify any receipts or expenditures.

**DIB – Financial
Reports and
Statements**

**BOARD POLICY
FISCAL MANAGEMENT
FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATEMENTS**

**DIB
MAY 19, 2014**

The Board of Education shall receive **financial reports at a public meeting of the Board on a quarterly basis.** ~~a listing of expenditures and wire transfers at regular Board meetings.~~ **Additionally, each year an outside audit firm will present to the Board of Education a report of the audit completed on the prior fiscal year.**

The district's accounts payable check register for the most recent school fiscal year will be available on the district's website.

The Board may ~~require~~ **request** additional financial reports.

**DJCA – Payday
Schedules**

**BOARD POLICY
FISCAL MANAGEMENT
PAYDAY SCHEDULES**

**DJCA
MAY 19, 2014**

For payday schedules, see the individual master agreements on the district's website:

- AFSCME (American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees)
- ~~LCEA (Livonia Community Education Association)~~
- LEA (Livonia Education Association)
- LEADS (Livonia Educational Administrators)
- LPA (Livonia Paraprofessionals' Association)
- LSA (Livonia Secretarial Association)
- SEALS (Supervisory Employees' Association)

**Superintendent
Evaluation**

It was moved by Mrs. Acosta and supported by Mrs. Jarvis that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School

District approve the evaluation of Superintendent Andrea Oquist, completed on October 02,2023, utilizing the MASB superintendent evaluation tool, for which she received a rating of **highly effective**.

Ayes: Acosta, Bonifield, Bradford, Burton, Frank, Jarvis, Johnson
Nays: None

Adjournment

President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

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