**REGULAR MEETING of the SCHOOL BOARD of EDUCATION**

**Lester Prairie Public**

**Wednesday January 9th, 2017**

**Lester Prairie School Media Center**

Board Chair Hentges opened the Regular Board meeting of Lester Prairie School District 0424 at: 6:07 pm.

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: Meganne Stifter-Knoll, Mary Otto, Marc Sebora, Corbey Hentges, Meganne Stifter-Knoll and Steve Ziermann. Administration present: Jeremy Schmidt. Other staff present: Jan Smith, Alice Daak, and Tanya Minnick.

**Guests**: Sara Gonzalez with Dashir Services, and Ivan Raconteur for Herald Journal.

Motion by Otto and seconded by Heimerl to approve the consent agenda as modified and approve the meeting minutes of Regular School Board meeting 12/19/16 & approval to pay the bills in the amount of $358,804.09 & Student Activity fees of $10,621.79 were also included. **Vote: 6 for, 0 against**

**Recognition of Communications since Last Meeting**:

1. Communications received – none since last meeting
2. Open dialogue – none

**Administrative Reports**

Mr. Boyer K-12 Report:

* We had an Out-standing turnout and performance for the High School Winter Concert presented by Mr. Rue and Mrs. Helland.
* Working with Chief Carlson and McLeod County on updates to attendance policy
* Annual Sno-Fest festivities will begin on Monday, January 30th

Mr. Schmidt’s Superintendent Report: Highlights

* Attended phased training and leadership conference.
* Legislative update – Working on plan for new tax proposal 300 million Ag land tax credit
* Teacher Licensure changes for obtaining license in the state of MN due to shortages
* Visiting with Glenn Gruenhagen when he comes to town

**School Board Reports**

1. Spec. Ed – None
2. Community Ed. – meeting twice a year
3. LPPEA – meet on Wed. Jan. 11th
4. Facilities/Maint. –
   1. Sara Gonzalez new Supt. With Dashir Services
      1. 2 full time and 1 part time cleaners
5. Tech/Media – none
6. Activities Committee – none
7. Negotiations: none
8. Meet & Confer – meet on Wed. as of right now
9. Policy – None

**Policy Administration**

* District student count as of 1/5/17 for K-12 is **428.**

**Old Business**

MSBA Leadership Conference and Early Bird Sessions to be held January 11-13. Board members Heimerl, Otto and Ziermann are planning on attending.

**Personnel Issues**

1. Motion made by Stifter-Knoll seconded Otto to approve the contract for Julie Olson as the Spring Play Advisor.

**Vote: 6 for, 0 against**

**School Finances**

None

**New Business**

Hentges read resolution form #6 directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions as reasons therefore.

Motion made by Otto and seconded by Ziermann to approve administration to recommend reductions for the year 2017-18.

**Roll call vote: Stifter Knoll – Yes, Ziermann – Yes, Otto – Yes, Heimerl – Yes, Hentges – Yes, Sebora - Yes.**

**Vote: 6 for, 0 against**

1. Agenda items: Next Board meeting Tuesday, February 22nd @ 5:45pm
   1. Set board work retreat date

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm PM**



*Steven D. Ziermann, Clerk ISD #424*