**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Lester Prairie Public Schools**

**Monday, December 15, 2014 at 5:15pm**

**Lester Prairie School Media Center**

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: MerriLea Kyllo, Rollie Radtke, Greg Machemehl, Karla Heigl, and Bob Carlson. Administration present: Mike McNulty and Jeremy Schmidt. Guests: Ivan Raconteur of the Herald Journal, Mary Otto, Corbey Hentges, and Merlin Mathews.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bob Carlson.

Motion by Gregg Machemehl, seconded by MerriLea Kyllo to approve minutes of the Regular Board meeting of 11/17/2014. In the same motion, approval to pay bills in the amount of $145,892.33 & student activity fees of $3,624.10 were also included. Voting was 5 for, 0 against.

Appointment of Board member to fill vacancy opened by Matthew Klitzke’s resignation in November.

Karla Heigl made a motion to appoint Corbey Hentges to the vacant position motion seconded by Rollie Radtke. Motion passed 5 to 0.

**Recognition of Communications since Last Meeting**:

1. Recognized positive comments from parents and students regarding recent Winter Band concert and Elementary Winter concert which was well attended.
2. Merlin Mathews spoke up during open dialogue expressing displeasure at his bid not being excepted for lawn mowing.

**Administrative Reports:**

Mr. Schmidt’s K-12 report: Discussed handout as presented.

Mr. McNulty’s report: MASA Legislative Planning Meeting update and MSBA Conference update.

Facilities Report – Dave Uecker: No report. MerriLea Kyllo did bring up that the Handicapped door on women’s bathroom next to elevator does not lock.

**School Board Committee reports:**

**LPPEA** – Coordinating a high school wish list. Serving Christmas treats on December 18th to staff. Held Christmas store for elementary students December 5th.

**Administrative Negotiation Committee**: Reached an agreement with Mr. McNulty – to be presented tonight.

**Meet and Confer** – met on December 3

No other committee reports this month.

**Policy Administration:**

Student count as of 12/10/14 for K-12 is 422.

**Old Business:**

Discussed Solar Project Application. Directed to have Project Representative meeting with Facilities reps after first board meeting of the new year.

**Personnel Issues:**

**Action to approve contracts**

Motion by Bob Carlson and seconded by Gregg Machemehl to approve the following contract:

Ross Scheevel as C squad Girl’s basketball coach

Motion passed 6 to 0.

Motion by Bob Carlson seconded by Karla Heigl to approve a three year contract for Mike McNulty, Superintendent. Board member Karla Heigl presented an overview of the contract stating it is similar to that approved in negotiations with certified staff. Motion passed 6 to 0.

**School Finances:**

Motion made by MerriLea Kyllo and seconded by Rollie Radtke to approve audit done by Eide Bailly and presented at November’s board meeting.

**New Business:**

* Motion by Karla Heigl and seconded by Corbey Hentges to set the date for the reorganization meeting for January 5, 2015 at 6:30pm with regular meeting to follow. Motion passed 6-0. **(Later this time was changed during the Truth in Taxation meeting to January 7th at 6:30pm due to a conflict one of the new board members had with the previous time. See minutes of that meeting**.)
* Motion by Bob Carlson and seconded by MerriLea Kyllo to approve agreement with PACT to renew grant that serves the LP in McLeod County. Motion passed 6 to 0.
* Info given for Reorganization meeting:

Elect officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Clerk, and Treasurer

Set date/time for board meetings in 2015

Set salary for board

Designate depository

Designate legal publication

Set mileage rate – was $.465/mile in 2014 (our rate is $.10 below gov’t rate)

Set board committee assignments:

Current assignments:

Spec. Ed: Heigl, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Community Education: Machemehl, and Radtke

LPPEA: Heigl and Radtke

Facilities/Maint. – Radtke, Machemehl, and Carlson

Tech/Media: Kyllo, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Legislative/MSBA – Kyllo

Activities Committee: Kyllo, Heigl, and Radtke

Negotiations:

 Certified: Heigl, Carlson, and Radtke

 Non-certified: Kyllo, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Administration: Carlson, Heigl, and Machemehl

Meet and confer: Carlson, Heigl

Policy: Machemehl, Carlson

* Motion made by Karla Heigl and seconded by Gregg Machemehl to approve course work for Alex Edlund. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

MerriLea Kyllo, Acting Clerk ISD #424