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

**Lester Prairie Public Schools**

**Monday, September 16, 2024 5:45 pm**

**Lester Prairie School Media Center**

Roll call was taken, and the following board members were present: Corbey Hentges, Brian Heimerl, Keith Christen, Rebecca Heimerl and Meganne Stifter-Knoll. Administration present: Dr. Melissa Radeke, Mike Lee, and Cheryl Bayerl **Guests**: Wes Kapping, Amanda Wood, Ryan Sinda, Austen Neaton from the Herald Journal.

**Agenda**

* Motion by R. Heimerl 2nd by Stifter-Knoll to approve the Agenda as presented and or modified
* **Vote: 5 for, 0 against.**

**Recognition of Communications since Last Meeting**:

* Communication –Coronation was great, King Devin Bahr and Queen Grace Bartosch. Varsity Football won on Friday after triple overtime.
* Open dialogue – None

**Minutes and Bills**

* Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by B. Heimerl to approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Board meeting on August 19, 2024 and pay the bills in the amount of:
* Board Bills: $141,983.59
* Student Activities Bills: $1,778.05

**Vote: 5 for, 0 against.**

**Administrative Reports**

**Mr. Lee K-12 Principal Report**: - highlights

* The school year has been going well.
* Star and Fast Bridge testing is almost complete for first round.
* Ryan Sinda started with MN MTSS(RTI) looking at systems in our school to help make better and what is working well.
* Several Crisis drills completed along with school bus and pedestrian safety.
* Will be attending a Sped Law meeting in Marshal.
* North Collaborative Principal Meetings this year will be a different schools to observe what each school does and collaborate on different issues schools face.

**Ross Scheevel AD/DoS** – highlights

* MSHSL is now offering Catastrophic Insurance to ninth grade participants.
* North Gym is scheduled to be resealed on September 27th.
* Working on putting a group of students together to attend the MSHSL Leadership Conference in November.
* Halfway through Fall Sports season with section play starting after MEA and Community Ed Starting or will be starting soon.

**Dr. Melissa Radeke Superintendent Report**: - highlights

* Enrollment is at 437 students.
* School Board elections, Resolution is on the agenda to get election back to 3/3 candidates from 4/2 candidates currently.
* Brian Heimerl and Dan LaMott are running for a four-year term and Rebecca Heimerl is running for a two-year term. We are still looking for a write-in candidate for the four-year term.
* Will be attending with Cheryl Bayerl a Levy meeting tomorrow down in Marshal.

**School Board Reports**

* Community Ed. – none
* PTO – Met Wednesday, welcoming anyone who would like to help with activities such as Read-a-thon and Holiday Store.
* Facilities/Maintenance – none
* Facility Planning – none
* Tech/Media – none
* Activities Committee – none
* Negotiations – none
* Meet and Confer – none
* Policy – on Agenda
* Legislative – none
* City – City approved the infrastructure for the street repairs

**New Business**

* District Data Presentation by Success Coach Ryan Sinda.

* Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by Stifter-Knoll to approve the **RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS.**

**Roll Call Vote: BH-yes, KC-yes, RH -yes, MSK-yes, CH-yes.**

* Motion by B. Heimerl and 2nd by Christen to approve the **Senior Class Trip** for the 2024-25 school year.

**Vote: 5 for, 0 against**

**Old Business**

* None

**School Finance**

* Motion by Stifter-Knoll and 2nd by R. Heimerl to approve the **Keystone Interpreting Solutions** Professional Service Agreement.

**Vote: 5 for, 0 against**

* Set annual **Truth in Taxation** meeting date for December 16, 2024 at 6:00pm.
* Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by B. Heimerl to approve the certifying proposed 2024-Payable 2025 Property Tax Levy Limitations at the maximum amount. Final Amount to be given at the December School Board meeting.

**Roll Call Vote: BH-yes, KC-yes, RH -yes, MSK-yes, CH-yes.**

**Policy Administration**

* Motion by B. Heimerl and 2nd by Christen to approve the following policies:
* **101 Legal Status of the School District** – update legal references
* **101**.**1 Name of School District** – no changes
* **102 Equal Education Opportunity** – “discrimination” definition legislative change
* **103 Complaints: Students, Employees, Parents and Other Persons** – update legal references
* **104 School District Mission Statement** – remove WBWF from statutory reference
* **208 Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies** – add Policy 470 to annual review
* **214 Out of State Travel by School Board Members** – no changes
* **401 Equal Employment Opportunity** – no changes
* **402 Disability Nondiscrimination Policy** – update legal references; omit grievance procedure
* **406 Public and Private Personnel Data** – no changes
* **412 Expense Reimbursement** – no changes
* **417 Chemical Use and Abuse** – add notation for discipline policy
* **418 Drug Free Workplace** – no changes
* **501 School Weapons Policy** – no changes
* **502 Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student’s Person** – no changes
* **515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records** – clarify former student definition; private records processes; maltreatment reporting; chemical abuse records
* **522 Title IX Sex Nondiscrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process** – protects all students and staff and revises grievance procedures.

**Vote: 5 for, 0 against**

**Personnel**

* Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by Stifter-Knoll to approve the contract for **Emily Cole** for the 2024-25 school year.

**Vote: 5 for, 0 against**

* Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by Stifter-Knoll to approve the contract for **Keith Christen** as Head Softball Coach.

**Vote: 4 for, 0 against, Christen abstains**

**Other Items for the Board**

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM**

*Meganne Stifter-Knoll, Clerk ISD #424*