

Minutes
Lostant Community Unit School District #425
Wednesday, May 19, 2021
6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – REGULAR MEETING

Quillard Skinner, B.O.E. President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Lawless, Wiesbrock, Walder, Kozak

Present via Zoom: None

Present via Telephone: None

Absent: Ruff, Chambers

Recording Secretary: Sandra Malahy, Superintendent

Audience Members: Lisa Goddard

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CORRESPONDENCE

None

4. RECOGNITION

4.1 Mr. Lawless thanked Dr. Malahy and staff for a good job maintaining a 3.9 I.S.B.E. financial recognition status.

4.2 Students of the 4th Quarter are Ashlynn McNamara, K-2nd; Logan Mertel, 3rd-5th; and Daniel Bradbury, 6th-8th.

4.3 Dr. Malahy thanked the Peru Rotary Club for the donation of dictionaries to the 3rd grade class.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Board Meeting from April 21, 2021; Notes from the Negotiations Committee Meeting from April 27, 2021; and Minutes of the Special Meeting from April 29, 2021.

5.2 Approve Treasurer's Report.

5.3 Approve Activity Account Report.

5.4 Approve May 2021 Disbursements in the Amount of \$35,397.79.

5.5 Approve April 2021 Payroll.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Walder to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT

6.1 Fund Activity

The district is 92% through the school year. Revenues are 99.23% and Expenditures are 79.82%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
10	Education	95.77%	82.44%
20	Operation & Maintenance	103.33%	73.38%
30	Debt	101.64%	99.73%
40	Transportation	133.27%	76.94%
50	Social Security & IMRF	103.35%	83.77%
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	102.15%	0.00%
80	Tort	102.19%	31.53%
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	101.89%	29.40%
	Total	99.23%	79.82%

6.2 Fund Transfers

Dr. Malahy explained four account coding errors.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless to approve the transfer of funds to the appropriate accounts as presented.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

7. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Informational Items:

7.1 Principal's Report

The Board viewed Mrs. Goddard's report.

No discussion.

7.2 Employee Reports

Nothing this month.

7.3 PTO Report

Nothing this month.

7.4 LaSalle County COVID-19 Data

The Board viewed the May 14th LaSalle County COVID-19 bulletin.

No discussion.

7.5 2020-2021 School Improvement Plan

The Board viewed the SIP activities through April 2021. Dr. Malahy stated Mrs. Goddard and the teachers revised the student writing rubrics. Students have a copy of the rubrics. Writing across the curriculum will be graded beginning next school year.

Mrs. Wiesbrock asked for a copy of the writing rubrics. Mrs. Goddard supplied the copies.

Mr. Lawless asked if there was ever a year when the District did not meet SIP goals. Dr. Malahy stated, “No”. Writing Across the Curriculum was a year long discussion and rubric creation. It will be on track next school year.

7.6 ESSER II Application

The Board viewed Dr. Malahy’s recommendations for the ESSER II funds.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Walder and seconded by Lawless to approve the ESSER II Application.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

7.7 Consolidated District Plan

The Board viewed the Needs Assessment Impact from the Consolidated District Plan.

No discussion.

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ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the 2021-2022 Consolidated District Plan.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

7.8 Revised 2021-2022 School Calendar

Dr. Malahy informed the Board there were highlight errors on the calendar that was approved in March.

No date changes are affected.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Walder to approve the Revised 2021-2022 School Calendar.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

7.9 2021-2022 Student/Parent Handbook – First Reading

Dr. Malahy handed out the first draft copy of the Handbook and Technology packet. Board members will bring suggestions for language changes at the next board meeting.

No discussion.

Shayla Chambers arrived at 6:26 p.m.

7.10 2021-2022 Student Fees

The Board viewed the proposed student fees.

Mrs. Chambers asked about the school supply fee and what it covers. She stated that students were not being given supplies when needed. Dr. Malahy encouraged parents to contact Mrs. Goddard if their child needed additional school supplies. The annual fee covers all supplies for the entire year even if additional supplies are needed.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Chambersk to approve 2021-2022 Student Fees.
Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Chambers, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None.
Motion passes.

7.11 Four Year Collective Bargaining Agreement

Dr. Malahy and the Negotiations Committee members informed the Board of the new language and salary schedule.

Dr. Malahy, Mr. Skinner, and Mr. Walder informed the Board how negotiations were conducted and the outcome of the salary schedule for the next four years.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented.
Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Chambers, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: Walder.
Motion passes.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Finance

No meeting this month.

New members to the committee: Chambers, Wiesbrock, Kozak

8.2 Negotiations

No meeting this month.

New members to the committee: Skinner, Walder, Lawless

8.3 Safety

No meeting this month.

New members to the committee: Skinner, Lawless, Chambers

8.4 Closed Session Minutes

No meeting this month.

New members to the committee: Walder, Wiesbrock

9. Legislative Update:

Dr. Malahy stated Illinois is expected to move to Phase 5 on June 11th. The I.S.B.E. is recommending all schools open in the fall for in-person learning/teaching.

Mr. Skinner stated HB2998 is still being discussed.

Mr. Walder stated health benefits pushed into the pension is being discussed.

10. Other:

Nothing this month.

11. Old Business:

Nothing this month.

12. New Business:

Nothing this month.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Date: May 19, 2021
Time: 7:15 p.m.
Location: Lostant CUSD 425 Board Room

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss:

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

A motion by Walder and seconded by Lawless to reconvene into open session at 7:23 p.m.
Roll call. 6-0

14. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless to employ Teresa Beckett as the part-time, summer school custodian.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Chambers, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None. Motion passes.

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Walder to adjust Jessica Flaherty employment hours.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Lawless, Walder, Chambers, Kozak, Skinner. Nay: None. Motion passes.

15. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD

Nothing this month.

16. ADJOURN

A motion by Walder and seconded by Lawless to adjourn.

Ayes 6-0.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

BOE President

Date

BOE Secretary

Date