

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Limestone Community High School, District 310, held in the Cafeteria, at the High School Building on Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

President Mr. Gene Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present Mr. Shawn Bryan; Mr. Jeffrey Chiaravalle; Mrs. Maribeth Georges; Mr. Chris Russick; Mr. Eugene Sanders; and Mr. Jim Zachman.

Absent: Mr. Matt Johnson.

Also in Attendance: Dr. Allan Gresham; Dr. Denise Ryder; Mrs. Jeri Look; Mr. Charlie Zimmerman; Mrs. Tara Stout, Mrs. Julie Powers, Nichole Zeller, Charles McCullough, Gabe Zeller, Fischer McCullough, Terrie Brown, Rich Brown, Kendall Tom, Sabrina Tom, Kevin Tom, audience members present, and Ms. Darcie Schultz, recording secretary.

Mrs. Georges made the motion, seconded by Mr. Bryan to approve the following minutes: the Public Hearing held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020; Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020; Executive sessions of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Presentation from Audience on Agenda Items:

There were no presentations made from the audience members present.

Mr. Bryan made the motion, seconded by Mr. Russick to approve the payment of bills and payroll in the following amounts: Educational Fund, \$1,802,392.19; Lease Levy Fund, \$2,642.00; Operations and Maintenance Fund, \$55,223.11; Transportation Fund, \$61,186.13; SS/IMRF, \$35,452.28; Capital Projects, \$60.00; Tort Immunity Fund, \$17,787.25; Fire and Safety, \$1,100.00. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sander, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mr. Bryan made the motion, seconded by Mr. Zachman to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: approve the FY '21 Tuition Rate, \$11,192.61; approve Resignation of Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach, Mr. Gerry Thornton. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mr. Zachman made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Georges to approve the employment of Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach, Mr. Cody Rupp. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mr. Bryan made the motion, seconded by Mr. Russick to approve the employment of Head Cook, Mrs. Alicia DeLong. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mr. Bryan made the motion, seconded by Mr. Zachman to approve the September's Treasurer's Report. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Informational Items:

Dr. Gresham introduced Mrs. Jeri Look; Principal at Limestone Community High School who attended tonight's meeting to recognize the Academic Achievement of Senior Students Gabe Zeller and Kendall Tom. Mrs. Look then shared Gabe and Tom both tested in the top 2.5% of junior students who took the PSAT/NMSQT last year in our region. Mrs. Look shared this was incredible accomplishment for these students. The Board of Education along with the Administration congratulated the students and wished them the very best in their promising future.

The families of Gabe Zeller and Kendall Tom exited the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Dr. Gresham introduced Mr. Zimmerman; Assistant Principal at Limestone Community High School who attended tonight's meeting to provide an update to the Board of Education Members on the Advanced Placement Program. Mr. Zimmerman shared over the past few years LCHS has been working on aligning with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) by offering more Advanced Placement Courses. Mr. Zimmerman also shared that Limestone now offers eight Advanced Placement courses with one hundred twenty student participants compared to two courses previously offered with seventeen participants. The Board of Education Members along with the Administration discussed the benefits to offering Advanced Placement courses versus Early College courses and agreed the Advance Placement courses offer a wide variety of benefits to our college bound students.

Dr. Ryder presented and reviewed the FY '20 Audit Summary with the Board of Education Members. She shared the Audit took place in July of this year. Dr. Ryder informed the Board Members the findings from the FY '20 Audit are similar to the findings from the FY '19 Audit. Dr. Ryder also shared she is very happy working with the Certified Public Accountants from Gorenz and Associates, LTD. Their team is always very professional, and they do a very thorough job. Each Board of Education Member was provided with a copy of our complete financial audit book.

Communications:

Dr. Gresham shared he received a thank you from Ms. Michelle Hartenbower, a Science Instructor at the Peoria Juvenile Detention Center, for the memorial made in memory of her father, Mr. Mike Hartenbower.

Dr. Gresham also shared to the Board of Education Members that Limestone Community High School is offering a virtual Madrigal performance this year with a carryout dinner provided the night of their reservation. Dr. Gresham also shared there is a link on our website for more information and to make a reservation for the carry out dinner.

Mr. Sanders shared with the Board of Education Members that the Board received an email from Mrs. Julie Powers, union representative, regarding concerns union members are having

due to the pandemic. Mrs. Powers and Mrs. Stout discussed the concerns in detail with the Board of Education Members. The Board agreed things are very difficult for everyone; and we need consider what is best for everyone involved when it comes to making decisions for what is best in the daily events for the students, support staff, teachers and Administration. The Board thanked Mrs. Stout and Mrs. Powers for attending the meeting and discussing with them the concerns of the certified staff.

Presentation for Audience on Non-agenda Business:

There were no presentations presented by the audience members present.

Non-Agenda Business by Board Members and Administration:

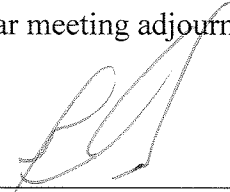
Mr. Zachman shared he would like to see the random drug testing possibly begin this semester. Dr. Gresham shared he will talk to Mr. Clausen and the Drug Testing company in regards to scheduling a date.

Mrs. Georges shared the Sectional Track Meet will be this Saturday, October 31, 2020, at 12:00 p.m., and her son, Wilson Georges, a junior Cross Country athlete will be participating in the event. Mr. Sanders congratulated Wilson Georges for all his successes in his Cross Country Season thus far.

Dr. Gresham shared the building will be closed on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, for Election Day. Therefore, they will need to reschedule the Building and Finance Committee Meetings. The Board agreed to hold the Meetings on Tuesday, November 10, 2020.

Mr. Zachman made the motion, seconded by Mr. Bryan to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Motion carried. Roll call on the motion: Ayes: Bryan, Chiaravalle, Georges, Russick, Sanders, and Zachman. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.



Mr. Gene Sanders, President



Mrs. Maribeth Georges, Secretary