

LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Lebanon Junior High Cafeteria
160A Miller Rd, Lebanon, OH 45036
January 11, 2021

The Lebanon City School District Board of Education met in Regular Session for the purpose of the Organizational Meeting on January 11, 2021, at the Lebanon Junior High Cafeteria, 160A Miller Rd., Lebanon, Ohio. The meeting was open to the public as well as streamed on Facebook Live.

Call to Order

Mr. Eric Sotzing called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Mrs. Esther Larson – Present
Mr. Ryan Patterson – Present
Mr. Mike Lane – Present
Mrs. David Donovan – Present
Mrs. Kim Cope – Present

Others Present

Mr. Robert Buskirk, Interim Superintendent; Mr. Eric Sotzing, Treasurer; Noah Ross, Jamie Richey, and Kyle Bean LCS Students; Diana Mallin, Arturi Simon, Wendi Gabriel, and Jeannette Stidham Members of the Community

Resolution 01-21: Appointment of President Pro Tem

Mr. Ryan Patterson made a motion to approve Mrs. Esther Larson as President Pro Tem. Mr. Mike Lane seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 5 - 0 vote:

Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes, Mr. Patterson – Yes, Mr. Lane – Yes, Mr. Donovan – Yes.

Mrs. Esther Larson, President pro-tem, now presided over the meeting.

Nomination of President

Mr. Mike Lane made a motion to nominate Mr. Ryan Patterson as President for 2021. Mr. David Donovan seconded the motion.

Resolution 02-20: Motion to Close Nominations

Mr. Ryan Patterson made a motion to close the nominations. Mrs. Kim Cope seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 5 - 0 vote:

Mr. Patterson – Yes, Mr. Lane – Yes, Mr. Donovan – Yes, Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes.

Resolution 03-21: Motion to Elect

Mr. Mike Lane made a motion to elect Mr. Ryan Patterson as Board President. Mrs. Kim Cope seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 5 - 0 vote:

Mr. Lane – Yes, Mr. Donovan – Yes, Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes, Mr. Patterson – Yes.

Mr. Eric Sotzing administered the oath of office to board President, Mr. Ryan Patterson.

Mr. Ryan Patterson, President, now presided over the meeting.

Nomination of Vice President

Mr. Mike Lane made a motion to appoint Mrs. Kim Cope as Vice President. Mrs. Esther Larson seconded the motion. Mr. David Donovan nominated himself as Vice President.

Resolution 04-21: Motion to Close Nominations

Mrs. Esther Larson made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Mike Lane seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 5 - 0 vote:

Mr. Patterson – Yes, Mr. Lane – Yes, Mr. Donovan – Yes, Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes.

Resolution 05-21 Motion to Elect

Mr. Mike Lane made a motion to elect Mrs. Kim Cope as Vice President. Mrs. Kim Cope seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 4 – 0 vote:

Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes, Mr. Patterson – Yes, Mr. Lane – Yes, Mr. Donovan – Abstain.

Resolution 06-21 Motion to Elect

Mrs. Esther Larson made a motion to elect Mr. David Donovan as Vice President. Mr. Mike Lane seconded the motion.

Motion failed with the following 1 – 4 vote:

Mrs. Cope – No, Mrs. Larson – No, Mr. Patterson – No, Mr. Lane – No, Mr. Donovan – Yes.

Mr. Eric Sotzing administered the oath of office to board Vice President, Mrs. Kim Cope.

Resolution 07-21: Approval of Item VII.

Mrs. Esther Larson made a motion to approve item VI-XXVII. Mr. Mike Lane seconded the motion.

VI. Set Dates, Times and Place for Regular Board of Education Meetings for 2021

It is recommended the Lebanon City School District's regular scheduled meetings be held on the third Monday of every month, except when this Monday falls on a legal holiday and then the meeting will be the next day, Tuesday, starting at 6:00pm and be held in the Junior High Cafeteria, 160A Miller Rd., Lebanon, OH 45036.

Monday, January 11, 2021 Tax Budget Hearing, Federal Programs Public Hearing, Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Monday, March 15, 2021

Monday, April 19, 2021

Monday, May 17, 2021

Monday, June 21, 2021

Tuesday, July 6, 2021 Special Meeting 7:00 am

Monday, July 19, 2021

Monday, August 16, 2021

Monday, September 20, 2021

Monday, October 18, 2021

Monday, November 15, 2021

Monday, December 20, 2021

VII. Authorization for Investments

It is recommended the Treasurer of the Lebanon City School District be authorized to invest all interim and inactive funds as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code and Board Policy.

VIII. Resolution Authorizing Advance of Tax Monies

It is recommended the Treasurer be authorized to request from the County Auditor, school tax advances, when available, for the calendar year 2021.

IX. Board of Education Liability Insurance

It is recommended the Treasurer be authorized to purchase liability insurance for the Board of Education and Lebanon City School District in accordance with O.R.C. 3313.203.

X. Resolution to Authorize the Treasurer to Pay Bills

Treasurer to pay bills as they are presented, within availability of funds, report all bills paid monthly to the Board of Education and to include bills not paid due to unavailability of funds.

XI. Resolution to Authorize the Treasurer as the District Signatory

Treasurer will be authorized as the signatory required for the disbursement of all District Funds.

XII. Waive the Reading of the Minutes

In accordance with O.R.C. 3313.26, it is recommended the Board of Education waive the reading of minutes from previous meetings.

XIII. Resolution to Authorize the Superintendent to Apply for Funds

It is recommended the Superintendent or his designee be authorized to apply for all available funds/grants for the Lebanon City School District.

XIV. Resolution to Authorize the Superintendent to Employ Temporary Personnel

Whereas, it may become necessary to employ personnel for emergency or unexpected situations on a short-term casual, per diem/hourly basis; and

Whereas, it may be inefficient to call a special board meeting to employ such persons and/or not in the best interest of the District to wait until such time that the Board might meet.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Superintendent be authorized to employ such certificated and classified personnel as needed, as defined in O.R.C. 3313.47; and

Further, under the provisions of O.R.C. 3313.47 the Superintendent shall present such employment recommendations to the Board at the next regular scheduled meeting for formal action.

XV. Resolution to authorize the Superintendent to Accept Resignations

It is recommended to authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of this Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when the Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

The authorization provided by this resolution shall remain in effect until withdrawn by formal action of this Board.

XVI. Resolution to Appoint Purchasing Agent

It is recommended the Superintendent or his designee be appointed as purchasing agent for the Lebanon City School District.

XVII. Records Commission

It is recommended the Board of Education establish a Records Commission comprised of the President of the Board of Education, the Treasurer of the Board and the Superintendent of Lebanon City Schools. The Commission shall meet at least once a year and establish rules for retention and disposal of records and to review same.

XVIII. Legal Council

It is recommended the Lebanon City Schools Board of Education authorize the use of the following law firms:

- A. Ennis Britton Co., L.P.A.
- B. Peck, Shaffer & Williams
- C. Bricker and Eckler
- D. Frost, Brown & Todd

XIX. Tax Budget Adoption

It is recommended to adopt the Tax Budget for fiscal year 2021 as submitted by the Treasurer.

XX. Board Members Compensation

It is recommended that the Board of Education Members be compensated at the rate of \$125.00 per meeting attended for up to twenty-five Regular and/or Special Meetings per calendar year. It is also recommended that Board of Education Members be reimbursed for expenses incurred for attending meetings and District-related training in accordance to O.R.C. 3313.12 and mileage reimbursed at the IRS rate at the time the expense incurred.

XXI. News Media Sources

It is recommended that Lebanon City School District will use the Pulse Journal as its primary news source, and the Cincinnati Enquirer, and the Dayton Daily News as secondary and/or optional sources.

XXII. Appointment as the Capital Conference Liaison

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Mike Lane as the primary and Esther Larson as the alternate Board of Education's Capital Conference Liaison for calendar year 2021.

XXIII. Appointment as the Student Achievement Liaison

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint David Donovan as the Student Achievement Liaison for calendar year 2021.

XXIV. Appointment as the Legislative Information Liaison

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Kim Cope as the Board of Education's Legislative Information Liaison for calendar year 2021.

XXV. Appointment as Community Audit Advisory Committee Liaison

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Ryan Patterson and Mike Lane as the Board of Education's Community Audit Advisory Committee Liaison for the calendar year 2021.

XXVI. Appointment as the Warren County Career Center Liaison

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Esther Larson as the Board of Education's Warren County Career Center Liaison for the calendar year 2021.

XXVII. Appointment of Public Records Training Designee

It is recommended to designate Eric Sotzing to attend the House Bill 9 Public Records training.

Resolution 08-20: Motion to Adjourn

Mr. Mike Lane made a motion to adjourn Mrs. Kim Cope seconded the motion.

Motion carried with the following 5 - 0 vote:

Mr. Donovan – Yes, Mrs. Cope – Yes, Mrs. Larson – Yes, Mr. Patterson – Yes, Mr. Lane – Yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.



Eric Sotzing, Treasurer



Ryan Patterson, Board President