

LINCOLN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS
Ypsilanti, Michigan
BOARD OF EDUCATION / REGULAR
MEETING
March 18, 2024
6:00 p.m.
District Boardroom-Lincoln High School

OFFICIAL MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Czachorski, President
Jennifer LaBombarbe, Vice President
Allie Sparks, Secretary
Thomas Rollins, Treasurer
Matthew Bentley, Trustee
Jason Moore, Trustee
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ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Paula Robinette, Human Resources Director
Karensa Smith, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum and Instruction

OTHERS PRESENT

Edgar Brown, Jim Harless, Mary Aldridge, Robert Williams, Abby Smith and Lori Ferguson

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Czachorski called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Roll call showed all Board Members were present with the exception of Smith.

3.0 ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established.

4.0 PLEDGE TO FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Board and audience members.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

5.1 Response to Prior Public Comment

- No Public Comment

5.2 Public Comment

Board of Education Public Comment Statement

This is the time set aside by the Board to hear from you, the members of our community. We invite you to address the Board with comments, questions or concerns regarding board actions, policies, or other issues not resolved through appropriate administrative channels. The Board may not immediately respond to concerns presented at this meeting; however, we will respond to inquiries on or before the next board meeting.

Please sign in completing your contact information. Limit individual comments to 5 minutes or less. Comments with respect to the performance of specific district employees are not appropriate during public comment.

Rules for Public Comment:

1. The Board of Education reserves the right to limit the total public comment to 30 minutes in any meeting.
2. The Board of Education will limit each speaker to one opportunity to speak during any public comment period.
3. The Board of Education President, or the President's delegee (such as the Superintendent or another District administrator) will respond to your comment.
4. The Presiding officer may: A) prohibit public comments which are frivolous, repetitive, or harassing; B) interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant; C) request any individual to leave the meeting when that person behaves in a manner that is disruptive of the orderly conduct of the meeting; D) request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting, and; E) call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 6.1 FIRST Robotics FRC State Championship-Saginaw Valley State University
The High School Robotics Team qualified for the State Championship at Saginaw Valley State. It is a three-day tournament with an overnight stay.

It was moved by Bentley and seconded by Sparks that we approve the student trip to FIRST Robotics FRC State Championship-Saginaw Valley State University as presented.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion carried 6-0

- 6.2 FIRST World FRC Championship-Houston, Texas
Should the team qualify for FIRST World FRC Championship-Houston, Texas they would need to travel by car with their parents and Richard Roe to Houston Texas.

It was moved by Bentley and seconded by Sparks that we approve the student trip to FIRST World FRC Championship-Houston, Texas as presented.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Motion carried 6-0

7.0 BOARD WORKSHOP

- 7.1 Sinking Fund
Adam Snapp, Phil Bongiorno, Robert Jansen and Jeff Soles presented options and benefits for the District moving forward with a Sinking Fund proposal on the November 2024 ballot. The Board will discuss further at the April 8, 2024, Board of Education Regular meeting.

- 7.2 Staffing
Vicki Coury presented on staffing for the upcoming school year and highlighted the need to address both staffing levels and the budget shortfall. The Superintendent will be collaborating with the Human Resources Director to develop solutions for the 2024-25 school year.

Recess at 7:50pm return to Open Session at 8:00pm

- 7.3 Board of Education Goals
In response to a recent Board assessment, improving communication with the public has become a top priority. The Board will be attending local township meetings, reaching out to local politicians, and investigating social media platforms to better connect with the community.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Rollins and seconded by LaBombarbe that we adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion carried 6-0

President Czachorski declared the meeting adjourned.