LONG LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 9, 2021

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: LLCS Gymnasium

Members Present: Michael Farrell Alexandria Harris Trisha Hosley Joan Paula Brian Penrose

Others Present: Noelle Short-Principal/Superintendent, Victoria Snide-Clerk of the Board, Shana Pacheco, Cheri LaPlant, Stephanie Hample

Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approved: On Motion by Michael Farrell, seconded by Trisha Hosley, **minutes of the November 9, 2021 regular meeting**. Michael Farrell, Trisha Hosley, Joan Paula and Brian Penrose approve the Motion. Alexandria Harris abstained.

Approved: On Motion by Alexandria Harris, seconded by Michael Farrell, with all in favor, **minutes of the November 19, 2021 special meeting**.

The **next meeting date is Thursday**, **January 13**, **2022** at 6 p.m. The special meeting scheduled for December 13, 2021 has been canceled.

Public Participation: None

Presentations: None

Superintendent's Update: 1st Quarter Honor Roll has been announced.

All NYS schools were required to provide to parents a **Digital Equity Survey**.

Our local book club donated funds so that all students in PreK-7 receive a book.

Basketball games have started. Both our girls' varsity and boys' modified teams had wins this week.

Mrs. Conboy, Grade 3/4 teacher, is starting her maternity leave. Mrs. Bilsback will be her long-term substitute.

Mrs. Cohen, School Counselor, has been on leave and Mr. Battistoni is her long-term substitute.

We have three applications for the physical education/health position. Mr. Leach is currently our long-term substitute.

Student Council is selling school apparel.

Drama Club has been practicing and is planning a production in the Spring.

Grades 11 & 12 and National Honor Society are collecting **food pantry and animal shelter donations.**

There will be a virtual **holiday concert** released on Facebook. We are hoping for both a February and a Spring in-person concert.

Both Kiwanis Club of Old Forge and Hamilton County are donating **Toys for Tots** for our students.

We currently have six applications for the district office employee position.

Ms. Short attended the NECOSS Conference. The NYS Commissioner of Education spoke.

Vaccination rates for students is continuing to increase. COVID tests are being offered within the school community.

Various **capital project items** are ongoing. We are learning the software to work our digital sign. The electrician is removing the old PA system. We still have doors and wireless access points to be installed. The bell schedule still needs to be programmed.

We have had some **boiler and hot water issues**, primarily due to malfunctioning pumps that move the fuel oil from outside to inside. We are working with contractors to fix the problem.

Business Affairs:

Approved: On Motion by Alexandria Harris, seconded by Michael Farrell, with all in favor, the October 2021 **Treasurer Reports**.

Comprehensive **Budget and Revenue Status** Reports for the General and Lunch Funds and Warrants #A-13, A-15, C-5 and H-5 and Budget Transfer Schedule A-4 were reviewed.

Recommendations for Approval:

Approved: On Motion by Michael Farrell, seconded by Alexandria Harris, with all in favor, **CSE Committee Recommendations** for Student #202749.

Approved: On Motion by Alexandria Harris, seconded by Brian Penrose, with all in favor, the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, section 3651 of the Education Law allows a school board to establish a reserve fund to be known as the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of paying judgments and claims from a tax certiorari proceeding, in accordance with Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, the Long Lake Central School District Board of Education duly established a Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund in the amount of \$33,744.12 during the 2020 fiscal year for any tax certiorari proceeding commenced in said year; and

WHEREAS, the amount in the Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund is currently in excess of what is needed to cover tax certiorari claims received in the year in which such money was deposited and the District desires to return the unneeded portion of such amount to the General Fund; and

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to Education Law §3651(1-a), the **District hereby transfers the sum of \$23,813.70 to the General Fund**, effective December 9, 2021. Subsequent to this transfer, the amount of \$10,000 will be left in the Tax Certiorari Reserve, which is an amount deemed sufficient to cover and/or offset costs associated with claims received in the year in which such money was deposited.

Approved: On Motion by Alexandria Harris, seconded by Joan Paula, with all in favor, the **resignation of Edward Cook as PreK-12 Physical Education/Health Teacher** effective December 10, 2021.

General Discussion

The Board is in consensus to continue with interior door and classroom lighting within the scope of the **capital project**.

Initial budget assumptions for the 2022-2023 school year were reviewed.

We are entering the application phase for the **NYSED State Reserve Funds**. Noelle Short hopes to purchase technology with these funds.

The Board determined the negotiating team for CSEA Contract Negotiations.

Policy 1st Readings: A first reading was held for Policy #6220 Temporary Personnel.

2nd Public Participation: Shana Pacheco, Cheri LaPlant and Stephanie Hample spoke regarding COVID protocols and communication.

Executive Session: On Motion by Alexandria Harris, seconded by Trisha Hosley, with all in favor to enter Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. to discuss the employment history of one particular person and to discuss potential litigation.

Approved: On Motion by Michael Farrell, seconded by Brian Penrose, with all in favor, to leave Executive Session at 8:23 p.m.

Adjournment: On Motion by Michael Farrell, seconded by Trisha Hosley, with all in favor, the Board adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

Victoria J. Snide