

## SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

- (1) The Board of School Directors of the Lebanon School District met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of the senior high school as advertised in the Daily News on December 10, 2020.
- (2) President Robert G. Okonak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- (3) On roll call by the secretary, the following board members were present: Mr. Scott Barry, Mrs. Debra Bowman, Ms. Heather Eggert, Ms. Jan Falk, Mr. Matt Hershey, Mrs. Tracy Johnsen, Mr. Robert Okonak and Mr. Peter N. Pyles, Jr. Mr. Michael J. Kuhn was absent. Also present were Dr. Arthur W. C. Abrom, Superintendent of Schools; Attorney Michael Bechtold, district solicitor; Mrs. Mary A. Harrell, secretary; and Mr. Curt Richards, business manager & treasurer.
- (4) Also present were Dr. Chris Danz, assistant to the superintendent for HR and pupil services; Mr. Mike Murphy assistant to the superintendent for assessment and accountability; Mr. Shawn Canady, chief information officer; Mrs. Amber Abreu, director of ELD; Mrs. Kelly Herr, assistant business manager; Mr. Brian Hartman, director of buildings and grounds; Mr. Todd Kaylor, assistant director of buildings and grounds; Mrs. Dawn Connelly, middle school principal; Mr. Robert Nordall, high school assistant principal; Mr. Dustin Nikles, director of technology; Mr. Bill Giovino, high school principal, Mrs. Francy Reigert and Ms. Sabrina Ramirez, elementary teachers, along with elementary students.
- (5) Mr. Canady introduced Mrs. Francy Reigert, Grade 5 Teacher at Southeast and Ms. Sabrina Ramirez, Elementary STEM Teacher at Northwest. Mrs. Reigert and Ms. Ramirez assisted the following students, Ireland Wild, Meloddy Chavez, Esmeralda Chavez, and Zuleyni Ortega, with a Mobile Learning presentation to the Board. The presentation was great. Dr. Abrom thanked the students for their presentation and he gave a Certificate of Appreciation to each student. On behalf of the entire Board, Dr. Abrom thanked Mrs. Reigert, Ms. Ramirez, Mr. Canady and Mr. Nikles for their support and help.
- (6) During the Safety and Security Update, Dr. Danz shared that looking back over the past fourteen days, our Covid numbers peaked. We had to move our middle school and high school students to virtual learning at the end of April. But now there is a downward trend on transmission rate. Our elementary numbers continue to be low. Our buildings are back to in-person learning.
- (7) Mr. Murphy gave a Curriculum and Instruction Update. He stated that our summer school planning has greatly expanded. Our elementary student numbers are high. Initially we were going to hold two, three week sessions in two elementary buildings. Because of our numbers being high, we are going to utilize four elementary buildings. This is good because now our children

can attend summer school in their home school. We are on target to serve about nine hundred students. We are not planning to use Henry Houck because of construction going on at that building. Extensive planning is going on for our middle school and high school students as well. Hopefully, our secondary students will attend summer school.

Mr. Murphy also shared that two weeks ago, our Federal Monitoring occurred. The auditors dug deep into the fiscal aspects. Our report was very good and they were complimentary to Mrs. Kelly Herr, stating that this was the best they've seen yet.

- (8) Mr. Giovino shared information about the end of year student activities at the high school.
- The class trip to Hershey Park was last Friday.
  - Our Prom will be held on June 4.
  - Graduation will be held at Alumni Stadium, weather permitting, on June 10.
- (9) The other items on the agenda were discussed but no further action was taken. With no further business to come before the board at this time, a motion was made by Mrs. Johnsen and seconded by Ms. Eggert that the meeting adjourn.
- (10) The president requested that board members remain for an executive session to discuss personnel matters and purchase/sale of real property.
- (11) President Okonak declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Harrell  
Secretary of the Board