

**LELAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes – Board of Education**  
**Wednesday, January 20, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.**  
**Room 10, Elementary Building – 370 North Main Street Leland, IL 60531**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Wesson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present for roll call and the Pledge were members Crissip, Gunderson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, and Wesson. Absent was member C. Johnson. Also present were administrators Abrell and Siemers, and recording secretary Flower.

**II. RECEPTION OF VISITORS, GUESTS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF MEDIA.**

President Wesson welcomed Rose Kidd.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

President Wesson asked to add **Report No. 10-092 Investment Update** to the Agenda, (changing **092** to **093**).

M. Johnson moved, and Gunderson seconded the motion, to approve the agenda as corrected.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Review of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting & Executive Session, December 16, 2009

B. Six Month Review of Executive Session Minutes

Financial Reports, Bills & Payroll

**Report No. 10-080 Second Reading of Policies 4:120, 4:120-AP, 4:130, 4:150, 4:160, 4:160-AP, 6:310, 6:320, 6:340, 7:10, 7:190, 7:300, 8:100**

The board reviewed thirteen policies: 4:120 Operational Services – Food Services; 4:120-AP Administrative Procedure – Food Services; 4:130 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services; 4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs; 4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds; 4:160-AP Administrative Procedure – Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds; 6:310 Instruction – Credit for Alternative Courses and Programs, and Course Substitutions; 6:320 High School Credit for Proficiency; 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program; 7:10 Students – Equal Educational Opportunities; 7:190 Student Discipline; 7:300 Extracurricular Athletics; 8:100 Community Relations – Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies.

**Report No. 10-081 First Reading of Policies 2:200, 2:250, 2:250-AP1, 2:250-E1, 2:250-E2 (deleted), 2:250-E3 (deleted), 2:250-E2 (replacement), 4:110, 4:110-AP2, 6:20, 6:50, 6:185, 7:240, 8:70**

The board reviewed fourteen policies: 2:200 School Board – Types of School Board Meetings; 2:250 Access to District Public Records; 2:250-AP1 Administrative Procedure – Access to and Copying of District Public Records; 2:250-E1 Exhibit – Written Request for District Public Records; 2:250-E2 Exhibit – Immediately Available Public Records (Deleted); 2:250-E3 Exhibit – Inspection Report for District Records (Deleted); 2:250-E2 Immediately Available Public Records (New); 4:110 Operational Services – Transportation; 4:110-AP2 Administrative Procedure – Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Inspection; Bus

Driving Comments; 6:20 Instruction – School Year Calendar and Day; 6:50 School Wellness; 6:185 Remote Educational Program; 7:240 Students – Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities; 8:70 Community Relations – Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities.

**Report No. 10-082 Adopt Final Seniority List for 2009-10**

Board reviewed the 2009-10 Final Seniority List for certified staff and support employees.

**Report No. 10-083 Adopt Proposed Budget Calendar**

Board reviewed the Proposed Budget Calendar for the district.

Gunderson moved, and Crissip seconded the motion, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Voting aye: Crissip, Gunderson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote and Wesson.

Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.

**V. ACTION ITEMS**

**Report No. 10-084 Acceptance of FY'09 Audit**

At the December board meeting, board members received copies of the FY'09 audit by Eric J. Fernandez and Co., CPAs. Rose Kidd, district bookkeeper, along with Dr. Abrell, reviewed that audit. They both complemented the thoroughness of the lead auditors, Doug Taylor and Doug Schlak.

Member C. Johnson entered the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

The audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control considered to be material weaknesses. However, the audit did identify some areas of internal control needing attention and recommendations. If the district would like, the auditors could return in six months to see if recommendations have been followed up and put in place.

Plote moved, and McCullough seconded the motion, to accept the FY'09 Audit by Eric J. Fernandez and Co., CPAs.

Voting aye: Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, and Wesson.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**Report No. 10-085 Appoint Board Reps for Teacher Negotiations**

Board representatives need to be appointed to begin collective negotiations with the Leland Education Association (LEA). Typically, the district has had two board members serve, along with the superintendent. Those two members will receive a copy of the current collective bargaining agreement.

M. Johnson moved, and C. Johnson seconded the motion, to appoint Rick Crissip and Gregg Gunderson to serve as board representatives for teacher negotiations.

Voting aye: C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, and Wesson.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**Report No. 10-086 Approve Bus Purchase Lease for 2010-11**

Dr. Abrell reviewed a proposal from Midwest Transit for lease of district buses for 2010-11. The cost would be \$9,467 per bus. Cost for 2009-10 was \$9,150, for 2008-09 - \$9415, and for 2007-08 - \$9,375.

M. Johnson moved, and Plote seconded the motion, to approve the lease agreement for 2010-11 for five buses with Midwest Transit Equipment, at \$9,467 per bus.

Voting aye: M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, and Wesson.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Report No. 10-087 Information on Senior Trip**

The Class of 2010 would like to go to the amusement park at Cedar Point, Ohio for their Senior Trip. The trip would be very similar to last year's senior trip, with attendance dates of May 17-21. There will be more information at the February board meeting.

**Report No. 10-088 Distribution of Superintendent Evaluation**

Dr. Abrell gave board members a copy of his evaluation form which they have used the past three years. If they would like to modify it or make suggestions, they should do so as soon as possible. They will receive the form for their use at the February board meeting, then fill it out and return it to Mrs. Frederick. Mrs. Flower will have them compiled for the March board meeting.

**Report No. 10-089 Building Administration Report**

The board reviewed the Building Administration Report.

**Report No. 10-090 District Enrollments**

The district is down 19 students from a year ago.

**Report No. 10-091 Cafeteria Report**

The cafeteria report showed a balance of \$36.94 for December, -\$279.88 YTD.

**Report No. 10-092 Investment Update**

The district has a CD for \$1,209,701.00 at Citizens Bank in Somonauk. It matured January 12, 2010. Interest rate has been 1.41%. The district has the option of reinvesting with them in a CD for 11 months at 1.69%, or perhaps changing the CD into 5 \$250,000 bonds which could earn approximately \$450,000 in interest. Dr. Abrell will check various interest rates in a number of area banks and get back to board members.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- **For the purpose of discussing appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.**

M. Johnson moved, and C. Johnson seconded the motion, to go into executive session at 8:20 p.m.

Voting aye: McCullough, Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, and Wesson.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

C. Johnson moved, and M. Johnson seconded the motion, to go back into regular session at 9:20 p.m.

Voting aye: Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, and Wesson.  
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

In attendance in open session: Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, and Wesson.

**Report No. 10-093 Personnel**

There was no action taken with any personnel.

**VIII. BOARD COMMENTS**

- There were no additional board comments

**IX. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

- Cost Containment Discussion

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Gunderson moved, and McCullough seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet Plote, Secretary

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William Wesson, President