ISLE LA MOTTE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

May 18, 2016 at 6:00 PM

At the Isle La Motte Elementary School

Attendance: Louise Koss, Jennifer Rafferty, Jane Zera, Barbara Larvey, Kathi Craig, Chet Bromley and Janet Soavi.

LK called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Adjustments of Agenda: Policy Changes and Garden Program

Approval of minutes for April 20, 2016. JR made motion to accept minutes with modification of Superintendent’s report. LK 2nd motion.

All in favor.

Superintendent’s Report  Launched Innovative Grant, Curriculum Coordinator believe one was offered the position, Calendar 2016 – 2017 School year approved by AOE, new Audit firm all records submitted, Swift Conference in July for School Board members and June 22 GISU Board Meeting (meets 4 – 5 times a year). LK discussed the responsibility of the GISU Board. We have no Budgets to Actuals. Looking for a nurse for the County.

Principal’s Report  (Tom Tregan supplied board with written report.) Pre K, K and 1 will be visiting a dairy farm “Dairy in the Classroom” program. Students are preparing for a Memorial Day program (Betty Lockerby coordinates). It takes place on Thursday May 26 at 9 am. Science Fair – displays will up on May 26. Bike-A-Thon/Walk-A-Thon very well received and supported, monies went to playground fund. Positive behavior intervention and supports – students have been recognized for positive behavior. Graduation for 6th grade on June 8 at 6:00pm. (School Board person to speak at graduation – undecided.) June 2 School field days (rain day of June 3), PTO will be cooking and providing food for day. Lirec Books first shipment was received, ($5000.00) payment for books goes directly to vendor from Lirec. Looking for staff to do the Lirec Summer program - Camp will be July 11 - July 29. Yearbook – big thank you to Andrea Parker for work on yearbook. Cost is $13.00 and books arrive in early June. Recruitment for Title 1 person, position will be .6 and is grant funded. Bottle drive by PTA over the Summer will go to playground. All SBAC testing is complete and results will be reviewed by staff. NECAP testing for 4th grade next week. PTO provided a wonderful Staff Appreciation week – staff was very happy. PTO is doing a Spirit Week May 23 – 27. Letter of resignation have been received from Mr. Lee and Mrs. Walker. FMLA for Mr Fish. Contracts have been distributed. Guidance, Music and Art positions will be recruited shortly. Repair of exterior door (nearest to playground) is scheduled to begin June 12. BL shared that the KaBoom playground grant was
approved and value is $15,000. A Home Depot grant has been applied for (ground cover), it would help with playground. We will have a site coordinator to come to the school. Total for playground collected is $35,000.

**Building Repairs** - Bonneville coming to repair the side door near the playground June 12. Past leak and needs repair.

**Gardens for Learning** KC and JS spoke about the gardens. Involves NE Grassroots as well (Fall program). Site person visited and was well received. Looking at June 14 to July 8 for this project. JZ made the motion to accept Gardens for Learning, JR 2nd motion. All in favor. Next step is finding an instructor. LK made the motion to hire instructor for Garden Project JR 2nd motion. All in favor. Going to look at Sub list, Farm to School Network and advertise on FPF for potential person. Explorer’s Garden Program – looking for other funds to help with project. LK moved letter go to Tom Tregan for his approval. JZ 2nd All in favor. Project requires 6 hours a week, how the hours will work will be decided with TT. Gardens for Learning organized by June 1 or 2.

**Act 46 Update** JR shared April 26 meeting in ILM. May 17 meeting in Alburgh JZ attended, committee is moving forward with a tentative plan next meeting is May 24 in South Hero.

June 10 is the last day of school.

**Policy clarification** Policy distributed couple changes Administrative Assistant/Principal (not BL) and School Chef/cook (not Lisa Best) for certification. 10 Day warning for the change of Policy.

CB brought to the Board’s attention that the stove really needs a good cleaning, maybe all appliances.

June 7 – vote on revised Budget. Need for the warning to be issued.

June 4 – Informational meeting for the new Budget at 230 pm.

**Payables** JZ made the motion to accept the payables of $40,025.65. JR 2nd All in favor.

Signing of contracts.

**Executive Session** 755 pm to 850 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 852 pm.

Louise Koss