

**Isle La Motte School Board**  
**Meeting, Wednesday, October 18, 2017**  
**At Isle La Motte School**

Attendance: Joyce Tuck, Marjorie Bertram, Chet Bromley and Paul Zera.

Don Van Nostrand (Superintendent) and Robert Gess (Business Manager)

Board Members: Keri Johnson, Jane Zera and Louise Koss absent

JZ calls meeting to order at 6:06.

KJ makes motion to approve minutes from September 20, 2017. JZ seconds. All in favor.

**Members of the Public**

CB asked about the locks, Tom Tregan, Principal is working on locks.

JT left flyers for the Library Haunted area - improved this year. She also brought up the Common Core math and how some children are having problems with Common Core. School work is hard and the common core, should go back to common sense. Discussion needs to go to higher, so people in charge understand it is a problem. Parents can't help children with their homework. They weren't taught that way.

PZ thinks we should send a letter to the town about when they are putting up the new speed limit signs on school street .

Superintendent's Report: Meeting in September the board came up with 6 goals: Broke into 2 Financial and discussion. Policy C3 Public Participation of Board Meetings- encourage public participation in meetings. Policy D10 discussion followed. Inform the board that he only makes sure that the principal is doing his job correctly, not the teachers.

Principal's Report: Fire Fighter presentation. 5-6 is has been going to Star Base. 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade are going to Hall's orchard. K-1- Reading and doing math. Thanksgiving luncheon is on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Hot water tank is completed. Upgraded fire alarm. No bids for the snow removal. More discussion followed.

Board Discussion: Water heater has been replaced. Tom negotiated another \$500 off the bill after some discussion. No bids for the snow plowing/mowing bid. Spread the news source. Instead of reaching out to the Islander try Front Porch Form. Superintendent Goals: 2 areas-Financial and Communication. FY19 Budget Guidance- Asked the board what they wanted for a budget so they could draft it accordingly. Discussion followed.

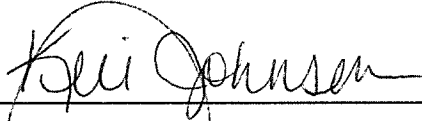
Board Action: (Tom will sign the invoices not signed, when he is available.) JZ makes motion to approve the payables \$188,578.33 and KJ second. All in favor. Sullivan Powers: Started Audit on October 4<sup>th</sup>. All school districts have signed it. JZ makes motion to sign paperwork for Audit. KJ second. All in favor.

In Executive Session at 7:20 pm.

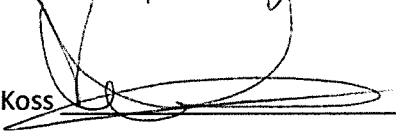
Out of Executive Session at 7:40 pm With no action taken.

JZ adjourned the meeting a 7:42 pm

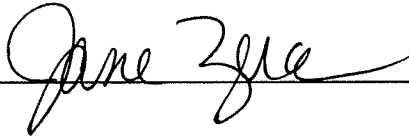
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