

Isle La Motte School Board Meeting
December 16, 2015
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Meeting called to order 6 pm by Louise Koss

Attendance- Louise Koss (LK), Barbara Callahan(BC), Barbara Burrington(BB), Chet Bromley(CB), Tom Tregan(TT), Beth Hemingway(BH), Lynn Carpenter(LC), and several ILM citizens.

CB and Art Larvey reviewed the building for maintenance that needed to be completed. Access to electrical panel. Doorway in one classroom is sagging. Two drinking fountains needed to be adjusted- low pressure. Faucet in janitor's closet needs to be replaced Pilot light for stove needs to be addressed. Discussion on the school stove. LK states that any of the items that can be completed that is less than \$50 should be done.

LK motioned that anything that is on the maintenance list that is less than \$50 to be fixed. BC second.

TT would like to speak with Art Larvey to know his opinion about the kitchen stove.

CB asked How often is the grease trap checked?

Superintendent's Report

Celebration for Linda Norris had 50 years of service with GISU.

Received an innovation grant on personal learning plans. Wrote grant if every teacher had google training teachers could do PLPs starting in kindergarten. Received a \$20,000 grant. Every teacher will get a chrome book. Alburgh school also got a grant from VT lottery.

Had the GISU centralized transportation. GISU has a waiver till 2015. GISU is putting transportation out to bid. May affect ILM because of some students using Alburgh going to NCSS and BFA. State is trying to consolidate transportation to save money. If the consolidation the school would have to pay. It would be a GISU bus. Just transportation for to and from school. Field trips and athletics would not be centralized.

3 year plan in place for common core. Based on legislation. Participation in field training has been moved to March. Field visits in April and May.

Preschoolers budgeted to \$3092. BH had a quarterly meeting with special educators. Current theme they are looking at is that special educators all kids have access to high level instruction.

GISU budget was passed last meeting.

Principal's Report

Playground removed because of a report. Spaulding family volunteered and removed the playground.

LC and TT applying for a playground grant is excessive of \$10,000.

Holiday show tomorrow night. PTO providing refreshments.

3,4,5, and 6 going to Titus. Individuals, ILMCO, and PTO raised money for transportation.

STARBASE is a STEM program. For 4,5, and 6th grade. Robotics, team building and rockets. Science based located at the Burlington Airport.

Mr Fish has been able to find some free science materials.

Mrs. Craig did a native american presentation on local history and folklore.

Karen Giroux was hired as a MTSS.

Had a Thanksgiving feast. Had 100 people attend. PTO paid for meal.

Painting of the multipurpose room and vestibule.

2 additional students added since beginning of school. Plus 2 more students and 3 more expected after Christmas break.

Budget. Needed to replace some building supplies. Freezer repair. Water tank was leaking and replaced.

Chet Bromley, Art Larvey, Barb Larvey and TT are the maintenance committee.

Joyce Tuck states that the library needs a bill and who to write the check to. She wants to know who is going to pay for the over the \$400? LK the invoice isn't in yet.

Joyce Tuck would like to know if Surf Global has contacted school yet? LK no.

Board Discussion

ILM was chosen as a wellness in the workplace grant. Barb Larvey. The grant is to get the ILM walking trails redone. Amount is not certain yet. Need a written quote for the work to be done.

Act 46 update - BC all representatives from the 5 towns are all on board for moving forward to prek-6 and tuition out 7 and 8th grade. Committee would like to go for the accelerated tax benefits. Writing the report and getting the vote done by 06/2016. Student survey is going to be sent out.

Budget

BH will be working over vacation on ILM special ed budget. Alicia Adams will be coming to support pre k. High school access cost tuition should be coming down. May have some over runs in budget. The special ed budget shouldn't have to be increased. Just change some of the funding.

Budget is on track.

\$74,000 excess in budget. Revenue not listed?

FY17 budget

Board needs to know how close we are to the per student number. Review of proposed budget.

Procedure for substitute pay. There is a written procedure. Needs to be discussed with Barb Larvey to find out the written procedure to streamline the process in which the substitutes get paid. TT would like a updated procedure to pay substitutes. Warrants should be signed before it goes to Ellen Norris.

Executive Session at 7:53pm

Out of Executive session at 8:08pm

BC motion to approve leave request for one of ILM teaching staff. LK second.

LK motion to approve procedure to be written up with assistance from Mrs Larvey to have warning signed for substitutes to approve paying substitutes prior to central office receiving warnings signed. BC second.

LK seems to think school goes through a lot of eggs.

BC motion to pay bills in the amount of \$82,524.46 LK second.

Schedule special budget meeting - 01/06/16 at 4pm

January 20, 2016 at 6pm is regular board meeting

Meeting Adjourn at 8:25pm