

Pending approval.

August 3, 2009

Regular Meeting of the Lawrence Public Schools Board of Education.

Members Present: Chuck Carpp, Dave Garvison, Jeff Johnson,
Gerry Martin, Tom Reynnells. Absent: Julie Beam, Carol Sjoquist

Administration Present: John Overley
Absent: Bob Gendron, Sue McQueen

Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30.

Carpp moved and Reynnells supported the motion to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2009 meeting as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Carpp moved and Garvison supported the motion to approve the bills of \$471,527.30 and the Cycle 13 bills of \$1116.07 as presented. Discussion was held. Motion carried 5-0.

There were no comments from the public.

Martin moved and Reynnells supported the motion to approve the State Aid Operating Loan Resolution to borrow \$900,000 in State Aid Notes for cash flow purposes. Discussion was held. Roll call vote: Carpp, Y; Garvison, Y; Johnson, Y; Martin, Y; Reynnells, Y. Motion carried 5-0.

There was no athletic report presented.

Overley presented the budget update. He stated there is the possibility of more cuts by the State in money per student and in programs. There will be no stimulus money available for the 2010-2011 school year. A community information meeting will be held Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. The board will invite the State legislatures or their representative to be at that meeting.

Carpp moved and Martin supported the motion to eliminate the Great Start Readiness Pre-school program unless the State provides full funding by August 21, 2009. Discussion was held. Motion carried 5-0.

Reynnells moved and Carpp supported the motion to accept Bob Gendron's letter of resignation as Jr./Sr. High School Principal. Motion carried 5-0.

Martin moved and Carpp supported the motion to approve the tentative school calendar pending State requirements. Discussion was held. Motion carried 5-0.

Carpp moved and Martin supported the motion to approve supporting Bloomingdale Communications' proposal for a fiber-optic ring in Van Buren County. Discussion was held. Motion carried 5-0.

Reynnells moved and Carpp supported the motion to pursue the MISEC Diesel Fuel Program. Discussion was held. Motion carried 5-0.

Reynnells moved and Carpp supported the motion to move into closed session. Roll call vote: Carpp, Y; Garvison, Y; Johnson, Y; Martin, Y; Reynnells, Y. Motion carried 5-0.

The open meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Pat Garrod, Recording Secretary

The Board returned to open session at 8:32 and adjourned at 8:35.