

**Lamoille North Supervisory Union and
Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District Board
Minutes of SPECIAL Meeting
March 18, 2024**

Board Members Present: Belvidere: Stephanie Sweet; Cambridge: Mark Stebbins, Jan Sander, Denise Webster; Eden: Jeff Hunsberger; Hyde Park: Philip Kiely, Patty Hayford, Lisa Barry, Tina Lowe; Johnson: Allen Audette, Katie Orost, Kyley Hill, Monica Stearns, Mark Nielsen; Waterville: Bart Bezio

Board Members Absent: Cambridge: Sue Prescott, Christy Liddy, David Whitcomb

Administrators Present: Catherine Gallagher, Deb Clark, Michele Aumand, Rene Thibault, Betzi Goodman, David Manning, Jan Epstein, Mary Anderson, Diane Reilly, Dylan Laflam, Blake Nemeth, Valerie Sullivan, Jennifer Hulse, Paula Beattie, Carrie Bullard

Minute Taker: Michele Aumand

Call to Order, Approval of Agenda and Public Comment: Nielsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Nielsen indicated that the agenda needed to be amended to remove the item regarding the Central Office Space Lease Bids. Hunsberger made a motion, seconded by Stebbins, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously. Public comment was made regarding the availability of board meetings via Zoom or Google Meet.

In-District Transfer Policy – Sander made a motion, seconded by Stebbins, to adopt the revised policy. The motion passed unanimously.

Class Size Policy – Sander made a motion, seconded by Kiely, to adopted the revised policy. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Clark asked for the board to make a motion to go into executive session

Orost made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss issues that might involve contract negotiations the prior public knowledge of which could place the District at a disadvantage. Sweet seconded the motion. Board members, Gallagher, Clark, Reilly, Goodman, Manning, Epstein, Bullard, Hulse, Thibault and Aumand were asked to remain. The Board went into Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. The Board then came out of Executive Session at 7:18 p.m.

Orost made a motion to apply a reduction totaling \$357,405.00 for an LNMUUSD #058A budget total of \$15,995,730.00. The reductions are as follows:

- \$85,900 from cuts at the Supervisory Union level
- \$44,000 from various Facilities cost items at all schools
- \$60,269 Savings at Johnson Elementary
- \$45,250 savings at Eden Central School
- \$51,986 savings at Hyde Park Elementary
- \$70,000 savings found by pilot initiative to move the Waterville PreK program to the Waterville Elementary School

The motion was seconded by Kiely, vote was unanimous with Cambridge board members abstaining.

Adjourn: Hunsberger made a motion to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.