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# Lawnside Board of Education Meeting Minutes Action Meeting October 25, 2018

The Action Meeting of the Lawnside Board of Education was called to order at 6:35 p.m. in the Board Conference Room of the Lawnside Public School, 426 Charleston Avenue. Board President Sabrina Forrest presided. The following members were present:

Sabrina Forrest Siobhan Funches Shamyran Thomas arrived 7:05

William Jordan Donza Worlds India Criss

Amy Kearney Marsharee Wright

Also present was Dr. Ronn Johnson, Superintendent, Tomika Wilson, Assistant Board Secretary

## **Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Forrest reminded everyone that new members regarding the board vacancy has been put off until after elections.

#### **Facilities Committee:**

<u>Facility Use</u> – All of the board members agreed to charge outside organizations usage fees. Currently any use of the facilities after school is being paid by the Township.

In-district – car club (nonprofit)/LEF, Halloween is 100% Lawnside Non district – basketball (Snow Hill) more that 50% non Lawnside participants

Revision proposal #2 questionable (can collect prior to event) Denial clause (must be written) Nutri-Serve requires trained employee Ms. Wright's suggestions were read and discussed bullet by bullet NJSBA will arrange a meeting with Forrest

# **Policy Committee:**

Mr. Jordan asked that the following policies be considered for second reading:

- Improving the Academic Achievement for Parent and Family Engagement
- Intramural Competition: Interscholastic Competition
- Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members

### First Reading:

- Conduct Discipline Violence and Vandalism (5.1-5.714)
- Recruitment Section & Hiring (411-421)

#### Personnel & Finance:

Haddon Heights re-registration/students on roll discussion.

Several board members weighed in on the discussion and decided to provide copies to Haddon Heights solicitor regarding the letters/certified letters sent to parents in Lawnside.

Active Travel Plan – Borough needed to receive grants from State.

Dr. Johnson will speak with County superintendent

Registration – list was sent to Haddon Heights High School. Heights attorney wants cards. Mr. Rhone offered to send template, Heights attorney said no.

Members discussed whether or not to give certified cards to heights. All agreed no.

Jordan – Who determines whether or not student is a resident of Lawnside? Dr. Johnson explains registration process. August committee meeting required address verification.

After September's board meeting Dr. Johnson hand delivered letters to Haddon Heights. Letters were intercepted, Haddon Heights required 21 day appeal notice.

Dr. Johnson refused to write anymore letters. Mr. Rhone drafted letter (2<sup>nd</sup> certified mailing).

October 8<sup>th</sup> appeal date. October 11<sup>th</sup> recommended removal of students. Ms. Wilson sent list to Mr. Rhone. Mr. Rhone sent list to Heights attorney. October 18<sup>th</sup> Ms. Leary receives call from Heights business administrator stating the students were counted and not removed.

October 10<sup>th</sup> – A text from Mrs. Forrest stated 15 students were to be removed from Heights. Discussion:

Court documents state LBOE must pay for child's education, 1 year beyond high school (attended trade school). The ASSA (Application for Student State Aid) report is due and will be submitted by Ms. Leary.

Mrs. Forrest asked for Ms. Leary to contact prior negotiator.

Ms. Terry Lewis of New Jersey School Board will provide dates for the Board Retreat. The goal is team building and self-assessment. Dr. Johnson's evaluation needs to be completed in a timely manner. New members will be invited to the Retreat. The policy committee will continue to meet the fourth Thursday of the month. November 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting is cancelled (Thanksgiving Day). November 15<sup>th</sup> new date committee meeting with Terry Lewis.

February  $16^7$  2019 the LEF will host its annual Dinner Dance. It will be the  $10^{th}$  year for this event. Tickets will cost \$75 per person.

November  $8^{th}$  arrive by 6:30 – There will be a Student Hearing. Dr. Johnson will not be in attendance. Mrs. Davis will fill in for him.

There have been a number of issues in the district: influx of students with challenges, security guard was kicked in the knee and on Worker's Compensation until Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. A student was suspended for 21 days. Homebound instruction must start on Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. A student is not a Special Education student and should of not been classified as such. The student was in the

district for three weeks. No IEP testing was done. IR&S was a six week process, and will take 90 days for the Child Study Team to complete. The parent was contacted for a meeting on Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup> with the Child Study Team.

Adjournment – 7:41 p.m.

All in favor: Aye by Unanimous Voice Vote.

Respectfully Submitted

Dawn Leary Business Administrator/Board Secretary