

The Lakewood Board of Education Meeting (Monday, August 16, 2021)

Members present

Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Procedural: 1. Call to Order - Roll Call

The Lakewood Board of Education met in regular session in the Lakewood High School Cafeteria, 14100 Franklin Boulevard, Lakewood, Ohio at 7:00 p.m. In addition, the public meeting proceedings were livestreamed at the following YouTube channel link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8X6Pcjqt2OrjwiKAo-4fA/videos?view=2&flow=grid>.

In the absence of the Board President, Board Vice President Edward Favre conducted the proceedings.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Vice President Favre led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#202/2021

C. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Action: 1. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda for the August 16, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action, Minutes: 1. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting Held on July 19, 2021

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting Held on July 19, 2021

Motion by Michael Callahan, second by Linda Beebe.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

Action, Minutes: 2. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting Held on July 26, 2021

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting Held on July 26, 2021

Motion by Michael Callahan, second by Linda Beebe.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Information, Reports: 1. District Updates - Superintendent Niedzwiecki

Superintendent Niedzwiecki reported that the New Teacher Chamber Luncheon was held last Friday. We were excited to welcome 17 new staff members to the District. Also on Friday, the Summer 2020-2021 offerings were completed. Over 1,000 participants were served in our programs this summer. We are looking forward to welcoming back staff at Convocation on Wednesday. Convocation will be livestreamed this year, and seating will be available in both the Civic and LHS Cafeteria to enable attendees to social distance as necessary. We are really excited to welcome our students on Thursday. The Superintendent reminded all parents and staff that we will begin the year with masks required to be worn when inside all District buildings. Most importantly, she thanked all custodians, maintenance staff, administrators and technology crew who worked diligently this summer to get our schools ready for students. Board Vice President Favre said it will be good to have the kids back in school.

This concludes the Superintendent's Report.

F. COMMUNICATIONS

Information: 1. Board of Education Comments

- Ms. Beebe reported she had received a number of emails from people thanking the Board for implementing a mask requirement for pre-K – grade 12 students.
- Mr. Callahan said he had received similar communications and also was sent some emails from people asking that families be permitted to make the choice whether to wear a mask. The majority of the communications expressed thanks that the District adopted a mask requirement and that students would be returning to in-person learning.

Mr. Callahan also wanted to comment that the energy in the room at the New Teachers' Luncheon was amazing. He thanked the Chamber of Commerce and community partners for hosting the event and the community leaders for attending this outstanding event. Ms. Beebe said it was worth noting that the individual members of the Chamber were the ones who put together the packets to help welcome the new teachers to Lakewood.

- Ms. Petrie Barcelona asked if the Superintendent or Treasurer could speak about the information sent out to parents with regard to completing the free or reduced lunch application in order to have fees waived. Treasurer Zeman said the form is available online through the PaySchools Central portal; parents may still request a paper form through the Nutrition Services Department. Parents are asked to complete this form as it directly impacts the Federal funding that the District receives on an annual basis, which is approximately \$5.5 million/year. Parents are being offered the "carrot" of having this year's general instruction fee waived for completing this application whether or not they ultimately qualify for free or reduced lunch.

Information: 2. Public Comments

- Mr. Kevin Gollon, 1652 Belle Ave., Lakewood. Mr. Gollon said he understands the District will reassess the mask policy in the middle of the first semester. He asked if the requirement to wear masks could be rescinded in the middle of the first semester. Superintendent Niedzwiecki said the document that was sent out indicated we would reassess in the middle of the first quarter based on the transmission rate of the virus within Lakewood and Cuyahoga County. Mr. Gollon wanted to know if the mask policy could be rescinded the next day following reassessment of the numbers. The Superintendent said potentially yes.

G. CONSENT AGENDA (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Action (Consent): 1. Consent Agenda (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Resolution: Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

H. CONSENT AGENDA - FINANCE REPORT - MR. CALLAHAN, MS. PETRIE BARCELONA

#203/2021

Action (Consent): 1. Investments Purchased and Matured - For the Month of June 2021

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#204/2021

Action (Consent): 2. Financial Information - For the Month of June 2021

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

I. CONSENT AGENDA - BUILDINGS, SITES AND MAJOR PURCHASES REPORT - MS. PETRIE BARCELONA, MR. CALLAHAN

#205/2021

Action (Consent): 1. Rental Agreement: Horizon Education Center

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

J. CONSENT AGENDA - REPORT OF THE EDUCATION CHAIRPERSONS - MS. BEEBE, MR. FAVRE

#206/2021

Action (Consent): 1. Resolution to Adopt Franklin School of Opportunity Courses of Study

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#207/2021

Action (Consent): 2. Resolution to Adopt West Shore Career-Technical Education Courses of Study

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#208/2021

Action (Consent): 3. Agreement Between the Lakewood Board of Education and Insight Behavioral Consulting, Inc.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#209/2021

Action (Consent): 4. Resolution to Approve Service Agreements with PSI

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#210/2021

Action (Consent): 5. Agreement Between The Lakewood Board of Education, the Ohio Schools Council and the Lake Erie Educational Media Consortium for the 2021-2022 School Year

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#211/2021

Action (Consent): 6. Resolution to Approve Out of State Field Trip

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#212/2021

Action (Consent): 7. Gifts to Schools For the Month of August 2021

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

K. CONSENT AGENDA - POLICY - MRS. SHAUGHNESSY, MR. FAVRE

#213/2021

Action (Consent): 1. Resolution to Adopt a Policy of the Lakewood City Schools Board of Education

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items - Finance, Buildings, Sites and Major Purchases, Education Report, Policy

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

L. HUMAN RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT - MR. FAVRE, MS. BEEBE

#214/2021

Action: 1. Certified

The following three resolutions were acted upon on one motion.

Motion to approve Certified actions

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#214/2021

Action: 2. Classified

Motion to approve Classified actions

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#214/2021

Action: 3. Community Recreation & Education

Motion to approve Community Recreation & Education actions

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#215/2021

Action: 4. Community Recreation & Education Pay Rate Adjustments

Motion to approve Community Recreation & Education pay rate adjustments

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Michael Callahan.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#216/2021

Action: 5. Resolution to Approve Addendum to the Master Service Agreement Between the Lakewood Board of Education and Rachel Wixey and Associates

Motion to approve addendum to the Master Service Agreement between the Lakewood Board of Education and Rachel Wixey and Associates

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

M. OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

#217/2021

Action: 1. Certified - Request Approval on One Reading (ROLL CALL VOTE) (Favre, Beebe)

Motion to approve Certified action on one reading (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

#218/2021

Action: 2. Classified - Request Approval on One Reading (ROLL CALL VOTE) (Favre, Beebe)

Motion to approve Classified actions on one reading (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Motion by Linda Beebe, second by Emma Petrie Barcelona.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona

Information: 3. Other

There was no other business, but Ms. Petrie Barcelona expressed the hope that everyone would have a good school year.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Action: 1. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Motion by Michael Callahan, second by Linda Beebe.

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yea: Edward Favre, Michael Callahan, Linda Beebe, Emma Petrie Barcelona