

**LELAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes – Board of Education**  
**Wednesday, February 18, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.**  
**Room 10, Elementary Building – 370 North Main Street Leland, IL 60531**

**I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

President Wesson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Present for roll call were members Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough and Wesson. Member Plote was absent. Also present were administrators Abrell and Siemers, and recording secretary Flower.

**II. RECEPTION OF VISITORS, GUESTS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF MEDIA.**

President Wesson welcomed Andrea Bloom of the Earlville Post.

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

C. Johnson moved, and Gunderson seconded the motion, to approve the agenda.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Review of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting and Executive Session, January 21, 2009

B. Destruction of Tapes, July 19, 2006

Financial Reports, Bills & Payroll

Member Plote entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

**Report No. 09-105 Second Reading of Policies 5:240, 5:250, 5:290, 5:330, 6:10, 6:60, 6:60-AP, 6:120, 6:120-AP**

The board reviewed nine policies: 5:240 Professional Personnel – Suspension; 5:250 Professional Personnel – Leaves of Absence; 5:290 Educational Support Personnel – Employment Termination/Suspension; 5:330 Educational Support Personnel – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves; 6:10 Instruction – Educational Philosophy and Objectives; 6:60 Instruction - Curriculum Content; 6:60-AP Administrative Procedure – Comprehensive Health Education Program; 6:120 Education of Children with Disabilities; 6:120-AP Administrative Procedures – Education of Children with Disabilities.

**Report No. 09-106 First Reading of Policies 6:160, 6:230, 6:300, 6:320, 7:10, 7:20, 7:50, 7:100, 7:210, 7:230, 7:230-AP, 7:240, 7:290, 7:300, 7:340**

The board reviewed fifteen policies: 6:160 Instruction – English Language Learners; 6:230 Library Media Program; 6:300 Graduation Requirements; 6:320 Library Media Program; 7:10 Students – Equal Educational Opportunities; 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited; 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools; 7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students; 7:210 Expulsion Procedures; 7:230 Misconduct by Students with Disabilities; 7:230-AP Deleted; 7:240 Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities; 7:290 Adolescent Suicide Awareness and Prevention Programs; 7:300 Extracurricular Athletics; 7:340 Student Records.

M. Johnson moved, and McCullough seconded the motion, to approve the consent agenda.

Voting aye: Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, and Wesson.  
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

## V. ACTION ITEMS

### **Report No. 09-107 Set District Goal Setting Meeting**

In the past, the Board has set goals for the district. Dr. Abrell attached a copy of the goals decided upon last year. The board needs to decide when would be the best time to conduct a new goal-setting session, perhaps in the spring again.

Gunderson moved, and M. Johnson seconded the motion, to set the District Goal Setting Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on March 18, an hour before the scheduled March board meeting.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

### **Report No. 09-108 Wellness Committee Meeting Minutes**

Members reviewed minutes of the Wellness Committee's January 22 meeting. The committee meets at least annually to review the district's current policy, practices, and procedures.

Gunderson moved, and M. Johnson seconded the motion, to approve the Wellness Committee Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2009.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

### **Report No. 09-109 Adoption of Pest Management Plan**

Members received copies of the Integrated Pest Management Plan, revised this February. It meets the requirements that school districts must adopt. It is separate from the weed spraying requirements that the district must follow. Members need to adopt the plan, and keep it on file in the superintendent's office.

Gunderson moved, and M. Johnson seconded the motion, to adopt the Pest Management Plan.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

## VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

### **Report No. 09-110 Extra-curricular Athletic Co-op Meeting**

Representatives from Leland and Earlville High Schools met at Leland on February 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss the athletic co-op. As member Johnson had been one of those in attendance, he related to the board his good feelings about this organizational meeting, and the positive outlook all attending had about this co-op. Topics discussed included procedures for canceling practices or games, the need to develop written by-laws or a constitution, the split for games hosted at Leland or Earlville, uniform colors, and even nicknames for the teams.

### **Report No. 09-111 PSAE Academic Support Workshop**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual academic workshop for 11<sup>th</sup> graders taking the PSAE is set for the afternoons of March 4 and April 1, but it may be condensed to only April 1. In 2006-07, 22 out of 24 juniors participated, and in 2007-08, 22 out of 27 participated.

**Report No. 09-112 Biannual Review of District Investment Policy**

Members reviewed the district's current investments. Dr. Abrell compared interest earned in January of 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009. Although current interest rates are lower than at this time last year (mid 4.5% last year and mid 2.5% this year), the main reason for the drop is that this year we have less invested than at this time last year, having used approximately \$500,000 for the energy efficiency project. To counter lower interest rates, laddering CDs so that they are spread across a variety of timelines, gives stability to the district's interest income.

**Report No. 09-113 District Enrollments**

The district is down 4 students compared to a year ago.

**Report No. 09-114 Cafeteria Report**

The cafeteria report showed a balance of \$206.98 for Jan., -\$72.90 YTD.

**Report No. 09-115 Building Administration Report**

The board reviewed the Building Administration Report.

**VII. BOARD COMMENTS**

- IVVC Board of Control Minutes from the February 4, 2009 Meeting were reviewed. The monthly meeting was moved to Timber Creek Inn & Suites outside of Sandwich. IVVC's Hospitality Management instructor, Ms. Michelle Bohr, has also been employed by the hotel since its inception. Four of her students conducted tours of the hotel for board members prior to the meeting.
- The IASA Spring Dinner Meeting is set for March 10 at 6 p.m. at Seneca Oak Ridge Golf Course in LaSalle. All members are invited to attend.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- **For the purpose of discussing appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body**

C. Johnson moved, and Plote seconded the motion, to go into executive session at 7:57 p.m.

Voting aye: Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, and Wesson.  
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Plote moved, and C. Johnson seconded the motion, to go back into regular session at 8:42 p.m.

Voting aye: C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, and Wesson.  
Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

In attendance in open session: Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, and Wesson.

**Report No. 09-116 Personnel Report**

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Approval of Hire for 2009-2010: Lisa Harness, Elem. Special Ed. Teacher, MA+15, Step 10.

Approval of Retirement: Jerry Pohl, P.E./Driver Ed. Teacher and Athletic Director. Effective at the conclusion of the 2012-13 school year.

M. Johnson moved, and C. Johnson seconded the motion, to approve the Personnel Report.

Voting aye: M. Johnson, McCullough, Plote, Crissip, Gunderson, C. Johnson, and Wesson.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**IX. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

- Superintendent Evaluation - March

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Gunderson moved, and McCullough seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

On a voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet Plote, Secretary

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William Wesson, President