

Lisbon Community School
Regular Board Meeting
August 11, 2021 – Lisbon CSD Board Room – 6:00 p.m.

President Dave Prasil called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Caspers, Mallie, Stensland, J. Prasil, D. Prasil

Members absent: None

No discussion took place during Public Forum.

Motion by Mallie, second by Caspers to approve the amended Agenda, with additions to resignations and hires. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Maintenance Director Rod Kelley spoke regarding facilities. Discussion included closing out the FY21 bond items, work on the new concession stand, playground fencing was moved, concrete handicap approaches are done, Teeling Court is in progress, the CTE classroom is shaping up, we have new signage in the building, extensive work has been done in the elementary bathrooms, and a new approach for emergency services is being constructed off of Highway 30. HVAC work in the lunchroom is in progress, but equipment won't be here by the time school starts. Rod had 5 High School boys helping out this summer, and they did a great job. We will be moving the flagpole away from the building, and have just completed work in the courtyard for a foundation leak.

The Board took a building and grounds tour beginning at 6:18 p.m., and returned to the board room at 6:40 p.m.

Discussion took place regarding the District's current Homeschool policy. After consulting with the Department of Education it was decided that to ensure all credits are taught by certified instructors, the District will no longer accept CPI credits for Lisbon graduation requirements. Motion by Stensland, second by J. Prasil to approve a Homeschool policy that will not allow CPI credits towards Lisbon graduation requirements. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Motion by Caspers, second by Stensland to approve 3 new open enrollments into the District. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Motion by Stensland, second by Mallie to approve two Transfer Resolutions to approve the transfer of money from the General Fund to the Activity Fund as allowed by current law. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

The Secondary Counselor position was discussed. For the first 7 weeks of school we will share our new Secondary Counselor 1 day per week with her current district. Motion by J. Prasil, second by Caspers to approve the 28E Agreement as presented. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Motion by Mallie, second by J. Prasil to approve Kirkwood College Service Contracts for the 2021-22 school year. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Superintendent Hocking gave a 2021-22 school year overview. Aug. 19th is back to school night, and Aug. 23rd is the first day with students. We will not be offering Edmentum on-line schooling this year, and will approve all open enrollment requests for those that want an on-line option. Our goal is to have a much more “normal” school year. Face coverings were discussed, and per current guidelines all staff and students will have a personal choice of whether or not to use a face covering. There will be zero tolerance for disrespect, as everyone is being given a personal choice. Masks will be required on school busses, as they are considered federal transportation. Covid vaccines will not be required by students or staff, and there will be no more quarantining. People need to be vigilant about monitoring symptoms and staying home if you are ill. If we confirm there is a positive case in an elementary classroom we will notify parents. We will not notify for secondary, since they can get vaccinated. Volunteers and visitors in the building will be limited, and must be here for educational purposes. A reminder to parents that doors open at 7:45 a.m., and to please use the Elementary and Secondary entrances for pickup and/or dropoff. This is for safety reasons, as the District entrance is for school busses and staff parking. Lunch will return to normal, with all students in the lunchroom. Kindergarten classes will continue to have lunch in their rooms, as it worked out very well last year. The State still recommends plastic for silverware, and there will be no salad or fruit bars for the time being. Field trips and assemblies will be reinstated, we will continue to clean and disinfect the facilities, and outside groups will be able to use the school building.

Principals Mr. Brown and Mr. Becker discussed changes to the Elementary and Secondary Student Handbooks, to include dress code, academic dishonesty, and parking.

Athletic Director Mr. Ries discussed the Coaches Handbook, and noted that voluntary coaches need to be board approved before the season starts. Anyone who provides instruction to kids in practice or competition is considered a volunteer coach. We will be starting a Student Activities Advisory Committee that will allow students to help with promoting events and solving issues that arise. An Activities Fundraiser is being planned, fall numbers are very strong, and Aug. 27th is the first home football game.

School Board elections are November 2nd, and petitions are available in the District Office. There are two open seats, as Dave Prasil is retiring from the Board.

Summer School is almost finished - attendance has been good and the new curriculum worked really well.

Two Superintendent search firms will be presenting at the September board meeting.

Elementary Principal Brown discussed a recent SAI meeting, PBIS work, class lists, and he’s ready for kids to be back in the building.

Secondary Principal Becker also said it's great to see the kids again. Activities are up and running, staff will be back next week, Mr. Wischmeyer has done a lot of work to get the Industrial Tech program up and going, there will be a Freshman Orientation on Aug. 19th (back to school night), and the new Counselor will hit the ground running with schedules, etc. He is interviewing for a Student Services Assistant and excited for the school year to get going.

Motion by Caspers, second by Stensland to approve the Consent Agenda. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Motion by Mallie, second by Caspers to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. All ayes motion carried (5-0).

Laurie Maher
Board Secretary

Dave Prasil
Board President