

*Draft MINUTES*  
**Laurens Central School  
Board of Education  
FACS Room 115 - 7:30 PM  
April 17, 2024**

**Opening of Meeting**

**I. OPENING OF MEETING**

1. Call to order

**The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm by President C. Struckle.**

2. Roll call and quorum check

**Board Members Present: C. Struckle, T. Francisco, G. Murello, M. Wikoff**

**Board Members Absent: P. Bush-Allen**

**Others Present: B. Dorritie, Superintendent; J. Mushtare, Building Principal; P. Weir, District Clerk; A. Schlee, District Treasurer; J. Kessler, Head of Transportation; Members of the Staff and Community (see attached sign in sheet).**

**Adoption of Agenda  
With Addenda**

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA with Addenda**

**Motion made by M. Wikoff, seconded by G. Murello to adopt the agenda with addenda. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Minutes**

**III. MINUTES**

1. Minutes – Regular Meeting – 3/20/24

**Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by G. Murello to approve the minutes. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Open Comment**

**IV. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/OPEN COMMENT PERIOD**

**Reports and Discussions**

**V. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

1. Safety Patrol Trip – Scott Bolton & Kayla Welsh
  - 2 day, 1 night trip to Gettysburg & Hersheypark
  - sharing a charter bus with Edmeston CS
  - cost is about \$400 per student
  - have some money from fundraisers and have asked for donations from the community and school staff
  - approximately 22 LCS students will go with 4 chaperones
2. Superintendent's Report – W. Dorritie
  - 3-8 NYS Testing
  - The Addams Family Musical* this weekend
  - Grandparents Day on May 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Marching Band started practices for Sherburne
  - Reminders – Budget Hearing & Budget vote
  - Spring sports
  - Awards Banquets to be held June 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Emergency Days – three days remaining to be used April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Clark Scholarships – Congratulations to our 9 seniors that have received them
  - National Technical Honor Society inductions at BOCES on April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Congratulations to Victoria Stevens, Jaidon Brodie, and Jaidyn Simon for being Selected

3. Report from Building Principal – J. Mushtare
  - Report cards are one week late due to technical problems with SchoolTool – they will go out next Monday
  - Student portal in SchoolTool – we are looking into using this so students can check their grades and assignments
  - Sandy Hook Promise anonymous reporting system known as “Say Something” – students will receive training on what to look for and how to use the system
  - chicks have hatched in Kindergarten
4. Report from Supervisor Transportation – J. Kessler
  - busy with sports trips
  - Preparing for inspections
  - 2 buses down for recalls
  - Audit went through – everything was fine
5. Report for Buildings & Ground – S. West - absent

**Correspondence**

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Fiscal Reports**

**VII. FISCAL REPORTS**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

- A. Treasurer's Report:
1. Treasurer's Report A Fund (General)
  2. Treasurer's Report C Fund (Cafeteria)
  3. Treasurer's Report F Fund (Special)
  4. Treasurer's Report T Fund (Trust & Agency)
  5. Treasurer's Report L Fund (Library)
  6. Treasurer's Report H Fund (Checking) (Capital Project)  
Treasurer's Report H Fund (Savings) (Capital Project)
  7. NYLAF Investment Account
  8. Transfers Over \$1000

**Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by T. Francisco to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

B. Other Reports (No Approval Required)

1. Warrants
 

Warrant #40	A Fund \$170,046.28 (General)
Warrant #15	C Fund \$6,751.62 (Cafeteria)
Warrant #19	F Fund \$7,320.33 (Special)
Warrant #	T Fund \$0 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #13	H Fund \$8,680.00 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #	TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #	L Fund \$0 (Library)
Warrant #	P Fund \$0 (Payroll)
Warrant #42	A Fund \$158,116.15 (General)
Warrant #16	C Fund \$7,781.01 (Cafeteria)
Warrant #20	F Fund \$2,185.49 (Special)
Warrant #18	T Fund \$207.54 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #	H Fund \$0 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #	TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #	L Fund \$0 (Library)
Warrant #41	P Fund \$174,324.41 (Payroll)
Warrant #	A Fund \$0 (General)
Warrant #18	C Fund \$969.68 (Cafeteria)
Warrant #	F Fund \$0 (Special)
Warrant #19	T Fund \$308.21 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #	H Fund \$0 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #	TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #	L Fund \$0 (Library)

Warrant #43 P Fund \$183,346.00 (Payroll)

2. Transfers Under \$1000
3. Internal Claims Auditor's Reports
4. Revenue Status Report - Fund A
5. Extracurricular Reconciliation Report

**Old Business**

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

**Personnel**

**IX. PERSONNEL - NEW BUSINESS**

**A. PERSONNEL**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

**2024-2025 Summer Help**

1. The appointment of the following summer help for the 2024-25 school year:

Jackie Tate – Summer Cleaner \$15.78 per hour  
Beth VanDeusen – Summer Cleaner \$16.43 per hour

Any Laurens Central School Staff/Faculty or Substitute as needed by Buildings and Grounds. Salary will be \$15.00 per hour.

**Motion made by M. Wikoff, seconded by G. Murello to approve the above appointments. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**P. Smith, Long-term Substitute**

2. The appointment of Paige Smith as a Long-Term Non-Certified Substitute Teacher, retroactive to April 12, 2024. Her salary will be as per Board Policy.

**Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by T. Francisco to approve the above appointment. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**M. Kane, JV Softball Stipend**

3. The stipend for JV Softball to be paid to Michelle Kane in the amount of \$2340.

**Motion made by M. Wikoff, seconded by T. Francisco to approve the above stipend. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**New Business**

**B. NEW BUSINESS**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

**Adoption of budget 24-25**

1. Adopt a budget for the operation of the Laurens Central School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, of \$11,628,646.

**Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by M. Wikoff to adopt the above budget. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Property Tax Report Card**

2. The Property Tax Report Card for the 2024-2025 school year.

**Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by G. Murello to approve the above Property Tax Report Card. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Cooperative Purchasing**

3. The attached resolutions for the 2024-2025 Cooperative Purchasing Services through DCMO BOCES.

- A. Cooperative Purchasing
- B. Generic

C. Cafeteria Supplies and Food Bid

**Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by T. Francisco to approve the attached Cooperative Purchasing Services. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Safety Patrol Trip**

4. The overnight trip of the Laurens Safety Patrol to Gettysburg and Hersheypark. They will be leaving on Monday, June 17, 2024 and returning on Tuesday, June 18, 2024. The Laurens Central School Board of Education has the right to rescind their decision at any time.

**Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by M. Wikoff to approve the above overnight trip. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**CSE**

**X. COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the attached CSE cases:

CSE: None

CPSE: None

504: None

**Information**

**XI. INFORMATION**

1. Student Enrollment Report– March 31, 2024\*

**Meetings**

**XII. MEETINGS**

1. Budget Hearing – May 7, 2024, 7:00 pm, Multi-purpose Room
2. Final Elementary Concert – May 14, 2024, 6:00 pm, Multi-Purpose Room
3. Annual Meeting/School Budget Vote – May 21, 2024, 12:00- 8:00 pm, Rm 115
4. Final Secondary Concert – May 21, 2024, 7:00 pm, Multi-Purpose Room
5. Board of Education Meeting – May 22, 2024, 7:30 pm, Room 115

**Open Comment**

**XIII. OPEN COMMENT PERIOD**

**Executive Session**

**XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Be It Resolved** that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, enter executive session for the following reasons:

1. Personnel
2. Student

**The Board adjourned to executive session at 7:58 pm to discuss Personnel and Student issues. Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by M. Wikoff. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**Final Adjournment**

**XV. FINAL ADJOURNMENT**

**The Board adjourned from executive session at 8:35 pm. Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by T. Francisco. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

**The Board adjourned, without further discussion at 8:37 pm. Motion made by M. Wikoff, seconded by G. Murello. Motion carried 4-0-0.**

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| 2. Lindsey Talbert | 14. |
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