

Leipsic Board of Education Highlights for November 18, 2008

Leipsic Board of Education met on Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. Brad Schroeder, Dan Zeisloft, Marilyn Knueven, Art Lomeli, and Tim Nadler were all in attendance.

The Board approved the minutes for the meeting in October, the financial statements, and the disposal of inventory as presented. The Board also voted for the payment of invoices and recommended transfers and advances. The Board approved the Ohio School Facilities Commission's Classroom Facility Assistance Program Project Agreement. In addition, members approved a Resolution Authorizing the School District to Earmark Dollars to the Maintenance Fund.

Music Teachers, Devin Bramel and Miriam Gibson, thanked the Board for permitting the Music Boosters to take 78 students along with 13 adults to Nashville, TN earlier this November. Both teachers noted how pleased they were with student behavior as well as student responsibility throughout the trip.

National Honor Society advisor Russ Wenzinger, NHS president Brock Reynolds, and NHS secretary Shelby Schroeder updated the Board on the goals of the student organization and gave a brief description of the activities that are planned for the year.

Principals Fred Bryan and Mike Bute spoke with the Board about the successful two-day parent/teacher conferences held earlier this month. As parents become accustomed to the new format, the principals hope to see even more participation by parents at all grade levels. Principals thanked the core committee that has planned for the implementation of the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. Kick-off activities are scheduled for Nov. 26.

The Board approved Carrie Benton as the freshman cheerleading advisor and Ryan Felkey as a volunteer boys' basketball assistant. In addition, the Board approved classified substitutes for the 2008-09 school year. In other Board action, members voted to pay for transportation costs for the junior high boys' and girls' basketball teams, to permit use of the auditoria by the Leipsic Chamber of Commerce for its annual "Cookies with Santa" on Saturday, Dec. 6, and to approve the senior class trip as presented.

During Planning and Discussion, Mrs. Dewar offered congratulations to the fall sports teams and their coaches for outstanding seasons. The Board members thanked the community for its support of the Emergency Renewal Levy. Members have decided to spend some time during the next few months to assess their future financial needs.

There was an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing an LEA employee grievance.

The next Board meeting is set for Wednesday, December 17, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.