The Board of Education of La Harpe Community School District #347 held a regular School Board meeting July 16, 2024 in the school library. President Detherage called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Roll Call was answered by Collins, Detherage, Gebhardt, Walker, absent Allen, absent Blythe, Deitrich entered at 6:01pm. Superintendent Janet Gladu and Board Secretary Shelly Rahn, and Principal Ryan Hopper were also in attendance.

Visitors in attendance: Cathy Jones, Terry Mutton

A Moment of Silence was observed.

Public Presentations: No public presentations.

## **Business Items:**

The Approval of the regular minutes of June 25,2024.

## Financial Report:

Increase from Prior Year	+27.55%
Total	\$3,283,578.59
Fire Prevention & Safety	\$238,439.24
Tort	\$92,777.07
Working Cash	\$150,250.42
Capital Projects	\$0.00
IMRF	\$48,136.71
Transportation	\$213,611.68
Debt Service	\$90,226.72
Building	\$432,542.48
Education	\$2,017,594.27
<u>Fund</u>	FY2024

FY 2023	\$2,574,415.94
FY 2022	\$2,373,185.91
FY 2021	\$2,003,297.46
FY 2020	\$1,276,877.02

Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda included the Closed and Open Minutes of the June 25, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and Financial Report, Individual fund balances, payment, and Closed Session Records- deletion of items 18 months and older. Approve Mallorie Downing's Resignation effective July 16, 2024. A motion was made by Collins and seconded by Gebhardt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented/ amended. Roll Call: yes; Deitrich, yes; Gebhardt, yes; Walker, yes; Detherage, yes; Collins. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of policy updates: A motion was made by Detherage and seconded by Walker to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of policy updates as presented.

Roll Call: yes; Gebhardt, yes; Walker, yes; Detherage, yes; Collins, yes; Deitrich. Motion carried 5-0.

<u>Approval of the District Wellness Plan:</u> A motion was made by Collins and seconded by Deitrich to approve the 2024-2025 District Wellness Plan.

Roll Call: yes; Walker, yes; Detherage, yes; Collins, yes; Deitrich, yes; Gebhardt. Motion carried 5-0.

Architechnics Informational Presentation: Discussion on building projects of the District needs and the cost not to exceed \$5.5 million. Discussed new café and kitchen in the size of 60x30, 60x100 and up to 60x140 for the size of new building depending on the cost, so that we could possibly add two additional classrooms for 5-8 grade that will need to be for 25 students in each room. Discussion on lobby bathrooms and possibly moving the main building office to the front of the school. Discussed timeline of summer 2025 and to be completed no later than 2026, also discussed band building being gone by that time, so that cafeteria could be closer to the playground. No board action required.

<u>Approval to replace and repair Basketball backstops:</u> A motion was made by Collins and seconded by Walker to approve the quote from E. T. Paddock Enterprises in the amount of \$27,874 to replace and repair the items listed for the basketball backstops.

Roll Call: yes; Detherage, yes; Collins, yes; Deitrich, yes; Gebhardt, yes; Walker. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of the County Sales Tax Resolution: A motion was made by Gebhardt and seconded by Collins to approve the Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools for the County of Hancock, Illinois, to certify the County Clerk of said County the question of imposing a retailer's tax and a service occupation tax to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals, for submission to the electors of said County at the consolidated election to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

Roll Call: yes; Collins, yes; Deitrich, yes; Gebhardt, yes; Walker, yes; Detherage. Motion carried 5-0.

<u>Projected district projects FY 2025 Informational Presentation:</u> Michael would like to update our PA system this year. Also discussed parking lot tar & chipping, locker room remodel, new playground and lobby bathrooms, additional furniture for teachers like bookcases, tables, etc. No board action required

## Reports to the Board:

- President Detherage presented to the board he will be attending Illini West Board Meeting to ask questions and get facts.
- Principal Hopper presented to the board that he would like to get parent involvement in boosters to work concessions at Baseball or Basketball games. (He would like the parents to sign up to work at least 1 game.)
- Superintendent Gladu presented to the board that the Speech Pathologist resigned and has posted for a new Speech Pathologist. She also presented that Michael could use another fulltime Custodian. She will be posting for a full time and a part time position for custodian.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn. (voice vote).

A motion was made by Deitrich and seconded by Collins to adjourn the July 16,2024 board meeting at 7:50pm. (voice).

The next regularly stated meeting is scheduled for 20 August 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Board President

Board Secretary

Approved