Litchfield Community Unit District No. 12 Board of Education Meeting Special Meeting Basement of G.A. Sihler School 601 South State St. Litchfield, IL. 62056 Thursday, April 29, 2021 6:00p.m.

The Litchfield Board of Education held special meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. at G.A. Sihler School ,601 South State Street, Litchfield, IL. 62056. Board members in attendance included: Julie Abel, President; Ron Anglin, Vice President; Valerie Cain, Secretary, David Belusko; Mark Bloome, Mike Fleming and Gregg Hires. Also in attendance were: Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau, Superintendent. Kris Adamson, Recording Secretary. Administrators: Jennifer Thompson; Russ Tepen; Jeremy Heigert and Adam Favre and Doug Hoster. John Hanafin of News Herald and Mary Herschelman, Journal News. Emily Spindler of FGM Architects and Cory Noder of Poettker Construction. Concerned parents and citizens.

## **Reorganization of the Board of Education**

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Mike Fleming to accept the canvass of election results from Montgomery County election authority Sandy Leithheiser and Macoupin County election authority Pete Duncan, proclaiming Julie Abel, Ron Anglin, and Gregg Hires elected to the office of Board Member of the Litchfield Community Unit School District #12 Board of Education following the Consolidated Election held on April 6, 2021. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

Incumbents Julie Abel, Ron Anglin and Gregg Hires stood before the current board and gave their oath of office.

A motion was made by Julie Abel and seconded by Mark Bloome to nominate Valerie Cain as President pro tem. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

Valerie Cain, President pro tem asked for a motion on the floor for nominations for school board president. Mike Fleming nominated Julie Abel with a second from Gregg Hires. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0. As determined by votes cast, Julie Abel was elected as School Board President.

A motion was made by Mike Fleming and seconded by Julie Abel to nominate Ron Anglin as school board vicepresident. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0. As determined by votes cast, Ron Anglin was elected as School Board Vice-President.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Gregg Hires to nominate Valerie Cain as school board secretary. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0. As determined by votes cast, Valerie Cain was elected as School Board Secretary.

## **Information**

A public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, June 17, 2021 beginning at 6:00p.m. to discuss amending the 2020-2021 school budget. Emily Spindler of FGM Architects was on hand to present the outside drawings for the new elementary building. No façade has been chosen as of yet. The project should be sent out to bid in July. Once the board and committees refine the new building, renderings will be posted on the District's website for the public to view. The Board will have lots of decisions to make moving forward from here. Mrs. Spindler will update the board at each the meetings moving forward.

## New Business

A motion was made by Mike Fleming and seconded by Ron Anglin to approve the proposed 2021-2022 Board Calendar for regular School Board meetings and Fogleman Trustee meetings. The regular meetings of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year will be held at 6:00pm.m on the third Tuesday of each month in the basement of G.A. Sihler

school unless otherwise specified; and that said meetings will be limited to 11:00 p.m. adjournment. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve the contract with EMBRACE beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. EMBRACE will replace GOSOLUTIONS for MEDICAID billing for services that the district provides eligible students. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Mark Bloome to approve the Illinois High School Association membership for the 2021-2022 school term. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain. Motion carried 5-1. Fleming voted present.

Closed Session N/A

## Personnel

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to accept the resignation of Dan Stewart, 8<sup>th</sup> grade Boys Basketball Coach effective immediately. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mike Fleming and seconded by David Belusko to accept the resignation of Sue Billiter, clerical aide effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Mark Bloome to accept the resignation of Leandra Schaff, classroom aide at the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve the hire of Maggie Kalaher as a teacher for the summer MAKE IT program. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve the hire of Kymee Muhme as a teacher for the summer MAKE IT program. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Mike Fleming to approve the hire of Allison Rosentreter as a teacher for the summer MAKE IT program. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Gregg Hires to approve the hire of Benjamin Walker as a teacher's aide for the summer MAKE IT program. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mike Fleming and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve the hire of Paige Foss as a teacher's aide for the summer MAKE IT program. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve the hire of Tai Dobrinich as a substitute custodian for the District. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Gregg Hires to approve the hire of Cole Odle as a substitute custodian for the District. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Gregg Hires to approve the hire of Lance Boldt as High School Social Studies teacher and Head Boys Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mike Fleming and seconded by Ron Anglin to approve the hire of Brittany Boldt as High School Family and Consumer Science teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ron Anglin and seconded by Valerie Cain to approve May 20, 2021 as the date for the Superintendent's evaluation. Roll Call Vote: YEA: Abel, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, and Hires. Motion carried 7-0.

Seeing no further action to be taken, a motion was made Mark Bloome and seconded by Valerie Cain to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. Voice Vote: AYE: Able, Anglin, Belusko, Bloome, Cain, Fleming, Hires. Motion carried 7-0