

ORLEANS CENTRAL SUPERVISORY UNION

**Lake Region Union Elementary-Middle School District  
Board of School Directors Meeting**

Lake Region Union High School, Room 205  
December 16, 2019 – 6:00pm

OCSU Vision: All of our students will have choices for success throughout their lives.

OCSU Mission: It is the mission of the Orleans Central Supervisory Union to provide an environment that celebrates diversity and creativity, promotes inclusion and integrity, and partners with parents and community members to give students access to a 21st century education.

MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Angelique Thomas; Josh Webber; Heather Wright, Business Manager; Kim Hastings, OES Principal; Mike Moriarty, Curriculum Coordinator; David Martinez; Bev Davis, Superintendent; Megan Valley; Amy Leroux; Paul Simmons, IVS Principal; Matt Kittredge; Phil Roberts; Theresa Daigle; David Doucet; Debbit Brunelle; Dan Demaine; Neil Urie

1. Call to Order 6:00
2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda None
3. Privilege of the Floor Molly Veysey came to advocate for the money going toward the salary for the facilities director position to go to support teachers.
4. Principal Updates None.
5. Consent Agenda (Action) Debbie moves, Angelique 2nd. All in favor
  - a. Approve Minutes
  - b. Approve Bills
  - c. Accept Financial Reports
6. Business of the Board (Discussion and Possible Action)
  - a. Announce Tuition Rate Debbie moves to set it at 11500. Phil 2nd. There are no students paying tuition currently but the rate must be set. All in favor.
  - b. Unpaid Leave. Debbie moves to allow Brianna Cotnoir unpaid leave of 13.25 hours. Angelique 2nd. She is a para in Glover and has had leave beyond what is allowed. She has resigned as of the end of the week. All in favor.
  - c. FY21 Budget. There have been some changes since the last meeting that brought the current increase down to 3.9%. Many felt this was still too high. Mike Moriarty shared more details on Titles spending and there was discussion of what funds could be used for. Guidance seems to be an area that could be funded in part with titles funds. The board's goal is to get the budget to a 3% increase. A combination of shifting guidance funding sources, behavioral support in Barton, and a few other items seems possible to get that. There was also discussion of how much capital reserves to use. Counting the \$100K from this year and the reserves from before the merger, there is currently a little over \$240K in capital reserves. Roughly \$100K is planned for capital spending this year (Barton foundation work and Irasburg doors). The budget and capital requests will be finalized at the January 13 meeting.

- d. EMS Annual Report. Some discussion of what to have in the annual report. Some thoughts included letter from superintendent, principal letters and list of staff and teachers for each school, a chart showing enrollment for each school, and financial figures as required by the state. Also, some discussion of how to publicize the annual meeting and board elections and the possibility of having a candidate forum.
- 7. Administrative Requests, Reports & Information (Discussion & Possible Action)
  - a. Facilities Director Position. There are several good candidates and there will be interviews on Wednesday by a committee including superintendent, principal, custodian, and board member. It was suggested that we talk to other districts that have hired a facilities director.
- 8. Committee Reports
  - a. OCSU Board
  - b. Facilities
  - c. Negotiations In progress.
- 9. Executive Session (if needed, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. sec. 313)
  - a. Post Executive Session Action (if needed)
- 10. Future Agenda Items & Next Meeting (Discussion)

Phil motions to adjourn at 7:26. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Demaine