Lynch elementary student council students led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Ryan West, Principal of Lynch Elementary, updated the Board on things happening at Lynch Elementary School.

Mrs. Shannon Nichols, 5th grade teacher, and her students Nicholas Mozola, Savana Ludeman, and Christian Bopra, talked to the Board about the Project Lead the Way launch in their classroom and explained the experiment they performed while learning about potential and kinetic energy using cars built from Lego’s. The students then shared their favorite part of the class.

Mrs. Cori Lomerson, 2nd grade teacher, and her students Cohen Paril, Alexis Powers, Eddie Marotz, also talked to the Board about the Project Lead the Way launch in their classroom and explained the experiment they performed involving heat conduction and insulation using materials to figure out how to keep an ice pop from melting for an hour. The students then shared their favorite part of the class.

Learning Coaches Kasie Allen and Amber Weidinger reviewed what they are doing at Lynch Elementary regarding individualized and peer coaching. Nathan Aquilina, 2nd grade teacher, shared how the individual coaching has helped him with his instruction and is proving to be a valuable tool.

Mr. West explained that they are providing innovative opportunities for all students at Lynch Elementary by continuing to increase classroom technology, increasing student centered lessons, and offering enrichment club opportunities such as Weird Science, Lego Club, iPad Club, and Robotics teams. They are also continuing to work on developing 21st century skills such as public speaking and problem solving.

Mr. Nolan reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting that was held on February 23 when the following items were discussed: Gaming Commission Issue; 2016-2017 Building Administration; and Superintendent Evaluation.

Mr. Haggadone reported on the Finance and Operation Committee Meeting that was held on March 1 when the Outdoor Athletic Complex Bids and Authorization for Director of Finance to be Added to Bank Accounts was discussed.

The Board approved the following overnight/out of State trips:

- Zemmer Middle School Students to Leelanau Outdoor Center on May 3-6, 2016
- Lapeer High School Physics and Calculus Students to Cedar Point on May 17, 2016
- Strike Zone Robotics team to Grand Rapids on April 13-16, 2016, contingent upon the students qualifying for the competition. The Superintendent’s office will be notified regarding the team’s qualification in April, and, if they qualify, information regarding transportation and hotel lodging will be provided prior to the trip.
• Strike Zone Robotics team to St. Louis, MO on April 25 - May 1, 2016, contingent upon the students qualifying for the competition. The Superintendent’s office will be notified regarding the team’s qualification in April, and, if they qualify, information regarding transportation and hotel lodging will be provided prior to the trip.

• Chimeras Robotics team to Grand Rapids on April 13-16, 2016, contingent upon the students qualifying for the competition. The Superintendent’s office will be notified regarding the team’s qualification in April, and, if they qualify, information regarding transportation and hotel lodging will be provided prior to the trip.

• Chimeras Robotics team to St. Louis, MO on April 25 - May 1, 2016, contingent upon the students qualifying for the competition. The Superintendent’s office will be notified regarding the team’s qualification in April, and, if they qualify, information regarding transportation and hotel lodging will be provided prior to the trip.

The Board approved the following Outdoor Athletic Complex Track and Field Bids:

• Sitework was awarded to LA Construction for a sum of $556,700 along with $6,300 to construct a second pole vault landing pad and $8,700 to construct a second long jump pit for a total not to exceed $571,700.
• Asphalt Pavement was awarded to Eastern Asphalt for a sum of $82,916.
• Synthetic Turf was awarded to Midwest Sport and Turf Systems for a sum of $326,830.
• Track Surface was awarded to Star Trac Enterprises for a sum of $103,000.

The Board also approved the Director of Finance be added to the list of employees allowed to make phone transfers, sign withdrawal slips and execute transfers between school accounts by telephone or on-line banking software.

Board members thanked Mr. West, his staff, and the students for their presentation.

The Spelling Bee at Mayfield went for an unprecedented 34 rounds with Bo Clancy taking first place and Nathan Young placing second.

The Fab 50’s Fundraiser for the Lapeer Community Scholarship and Student Loan Fund was a success and raised $5,200. Wendy Byard expressed her thanks for everyone who helped with the planning, donated their time, or items for the silent auction, and those who attended.

The Girls’ Basketball “Pink Out” game was a huge success. Mike Nolan expressed appreciation to the district and community for their continued support of these projects. They raised $1,300 for the Susan B. Komen fund, a non-profit organization dedicated to saving lives and ending breast cancer forever.

Superintendent Wandrie thanked Mr. West, his staff, and students for their presentation. He is pleased with how the Learning Coaches are fundamentally transforming our District.

Mr. Wandrie reminded that Board that due to spring break and other factors, the next three Board meetings will be held on March 24, April 14, and April 28. The meetings will return to the normal first and third Thursday of the month in May and June.