

Lewiston Consolidated Schools
School Board Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2019

A regular meeting of the Lewiston School Board District 69 was held on Monday, February 18th, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was open to the public and preceded in notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order and the Open Meetings Law acknowledged by President Aaron Rule. Roll call found the following members to be present: Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Absent: none. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Adrian Bowen, Linda Thomas, Payton Bledsaw, and several visitors.

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Rinne and seconded by Janssen “to approve the agenda as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitors were welcomed.

Moved by Janssen and seconded by Searcey “to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2019, school board meeting and the February 13, 2019, school board workshop meeting as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rinne, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

The treasurer’s report was presented by Dennis Schuster, and Rick Kentfield presented the monthly claims, payroll, and transfers. Discussion was held. Moved by Janssen and seconded by Husa “to approve the February treasurer’s report, February payroll and claims as presented in the amount of \$279,926.30.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, presented a band room carpet bid. Discussion was tabled for March board meeting when other bids are received.

Dennis Schuster, school board member, shared information on equalization aid for public schools.

Moved by Husa and seconded by Schuster “to enter into closed executive session regarding personnel at 7:22 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Rinne and seconded by Schuster “to exit closed executive session at 8:40 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Rinne “to table agenda item 5.3 Principal’s 2019-2020 contract as presented until the March, 2019 school board meeting.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster, Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Searcey “to table agenda item 5.4 Principal’s 2019-2020 salary as presented until the March, 2019 school board meeting.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Rule and seconded by Husa “to approve the superintendent’s 2020-2021 contract as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rinne, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Janssen “to approve the superintendent’s 2019-2020 salary as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve the 5000 series board policies.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, shared information on upcoming NRCSA conferences and NASB workshops, survey, up-to-date extra duty assignments, and continued board policy review.

Adrian Bowen, Principal, reported on teacher workshop at Peru State College. Payton Bledsaw shared information on completion of the girls’ basketball season, cheer team participation at State in Grand Island, and Honor Band Clinic.

Board Committee Reports – Teacher negotiations are in progress.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Rinne “to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rinne, Rule, Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Thursday, March 14th, at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Kentfield
Board Secretary, Dist. #69