

Lewiston Consolidated Schools
School Board Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2020

A regular meeting of the Lewiston School Board District 69 was held on Wednesday, August 12th, 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 by President Aaron Rule and he verbally acknowledged the Open Meetings Law poster and that the meeting was electronically recorded. Roll call found the following members to be present: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey, Sisco. Excused Absence: Husa. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Jay Spearman, Linda Thomas, and two visitors.

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve the agenda as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Visitors were welcomed. There were no visitor comments.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Searcey “to approve the July 13th, 2020 and July 28th, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, and Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

The treasurer’s report was presented by Steve Janssen, and Rick Kentfield presented the monthly claims, payroll, and transfers. Discussion was held. Moved by Schuster and seconded by Janssen “to approve the August treasurer’s report, August payroll and claims as presented in the amount of \$236,409.73 and the transfer of \$15,000.00 from the General Fund to Depreciation Fund, and \$10,000.00 from the General Fund to Activity Fund, and \$5,000.00 from General Fund to Lunch Fund.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Janssen, and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve the resolution as presented unless Lewiston School has an existing corporation. The resolution as presented is (a) authorizing, ratifying and confirming the incorporation of the Lewiston Educational Leasing Corporation (the “Corporation”), (b) authorizing the District to enter into one or more lease-purchase financings with the Corporation for a new athletic facility and a new AG building (the “Project”), and (c) authorizing the Corporation to enter into one or more loan agreements with a bank or other financial institution to finance the costs of the Project.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Sisco, Janssen, Rule, and Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Janssen and seconded by Schuster “to approve Thad Loomis’ employment agreement as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Sisco, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve Leonard Gowen’s resignation as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Sisco “to approve Dana Steinacher’s employment agreement as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve Retrofit Companies, Inc. quote of \$7,729.50 for removal of science chemicals.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, and Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Sisco “to approve Title IX Policy #3048 as presented, and appoint Rick Kentfield as the district’s District Title IX Coordinator.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Janssen, and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Aaron Rule shared the results of the superintendent’s evaluation. Discussion was held. Moved by Schuster and seconded by Sisco “to approve the superintendent’s evaluation as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Sisco, Janssen, Rule, Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

No principal’s report at this time.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, shared information regarding superintendent goals, staff preparation for students and classes, facility projects, COVID update and protocol, Board leadership webinars, financial reserves, and proposed budget timelines.

Board Committee report – No reports at this time.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Sisco “to adjourn at 9:04 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Sisco, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, September 16th, at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Kentfield
Board Secretary, Dist. #69