

Lewiston Consolidated Schools
School Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2020

A regular meeting of the Lewiston School Board District 69 was held on Monday, February 17th, 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 on the wall and that the meeting was recorded. Roll call found the following members to be present: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey and Sisco. Excused Absence: none. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Juli Smith, Linda Thomas, and several 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, Sisco, Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitors were welcomed. No visitor comments.

Moved by Rule and seconded by Schuster “to approve the January 15, 2020, school board meeting minutes as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

The treasurer’s report was presented by Steve Janssen, and Rick Kentfield presented the monthly claims, payroll, and transfers. Discussion was held. Moved by Husa and seconded by Sisco “to approve the February treasurer’s report, February payroll and claims as presented in the amount of \$290,995.67, and the transfer of \$25,000.00 from General Fund to the QCPUF Fund and \$25,000.00 from General Fund to Special Building Fund.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve Tiffany Hall’s resignation as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, reviewed ALICAP’s recommendations.

Mr. Kentfield explained that due to Nebraska law, the school’s attorney does not recommend funding the Lewiston Pee Wee basketball program with district funds. Aaron Rule, member of the Pee Wee basketball school board committee, explained committee findings. Discussion was held with options and ideas for the Pee Wee basketball program to continue at Lewiston Consolidated School with the possibility of other community organizations overseeing the program.

Mr. Kentfield updated the board on facility projects, i.e. approved HVAC project, proposed track project, and proposed Ag building project. Discussion was held. A community meeting will be held Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Kentfield reviewed the summary report provided by Lang Safety Consulting to meet NDE’s safety audit requirement.

Moved by Husa and seconded by Sisco “to approve Julianne Smith’s 2020-2021 principal’s contract in the amount of \$81,500.00.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Husa and seconded by Sisco “to approve extending Rick Kentfield’s Superintendent contract to the 2021-2022 school year as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Juli Smith, Principal, shared information on the spelling bee winners, speech meets, honor band, junior varsity girls winning the Lewiston JV Tournament with junior varsity boys placing second, character counts, and MAP testing.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, discussed board election information, teacher negotiations, new kitchen serving line project, Legislative Issues Conference, NRCSA Spring Conference, and upcoming March meeting agenda. Rule and Searcey reported on the President’s Retreat recently attended.

Board Committee report – No reports at this time.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to adjourn at 9:06 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

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

Rick Kentfield
Board Secretary, Dist. #69