

Lewiston Consolidated Schools  
School Board Meeting Minutes  
July 13, 2020

A regular meeting of the Lewiston School Board District 69 was held on Monday, July 13th, 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: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Sisco. Excused Absence: Searcey. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Juli Smith, and several visitors.

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

Visitors were welcomed. There were no visitor comments.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa “to approve the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Sisco, Husa, 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 Janssen and seconded by Husa “to approve the July treasurer’s report, July payroll and claims as presented in the amount of \$256,334.76.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Piper Jaffay representative Jay Spearman presented options available to Nebraska school districts for the financing of constriction projects.

Linda Searcey joined the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, presented timelines and process for creating the district’s plan for re-opening school in August.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Schuster “to approve the 2020-2021 Student Handbook as presented with noted changes and corrections.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, and Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa “to approve the 2020-2021 Fee Schedule as presented with the addition of allowing the parents of enrolled PK-12 students at Lewiston free admission to home athletic events.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa, “to appoint Rick Kentfield, Superintendent of Schools, as the district representative for all state and federal programs including Title I and also as board secretary for the 2020-2021 school year.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Husa, “to appoint Juli Smith, Principal, as

Tech Prep Advisory Representative, Drug & Alcohol Advisory Representative, Multicultural Liaison, and the district's Homeless Liaison". Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, and Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Husa and seconded by Schuster "to approve the 2020-2021 Preschool calendar as presented." Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Husa, and Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, updated the board on facility projects. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen "to approve the Farmers' Cooperative propane contracts as presented in the amount of \$7,650 and \$3,270." Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, updated the board on summer projects. No action was taken.

Moved by Janssen and seconded by Husa "to approve the new K-6 Math Curriculum and Geometry Curriculum proposal from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in the amount of \$29,258.07." Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, and Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Searcey "to approve the NRCSA 20-21 Membership fee in the amount of \$850." Those voting in favor of said motion: Sisco, Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0

Complied results of the electronic Superintendent's evaluation were distributed to Mr. Kentfield and each board member. Review and discussion will be held at the August board meeting.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen "to approve Marty Tuttle's Cleaning Services Contract for the 20-21 school year in the amount of \$49,000. Those voting in favor of said motion: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0

Mrs. Smith, Principal, reported on several new programming initiatives for the 20-21 school year.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, shared information about prom, the language arts position, re-opening plans, and reviewed the district reserves. A Special Meeting of the Board of Education was scheduled for Tuesday, July 28, at 7:00 PM. Agenda items will include a vote by the board regarding the proposed new agricultural/vocational building and the district's plan to deal with COVID-19 when school re-opens August 13, 2020.

Board Committee report – No reports at this time.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa "to adjourn at 10:22 p.m." Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Sisco, and Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, August 12th, at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Kentfield  
Board Secretary, Dist. #69