

LEYTON BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 17-0003
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
May 13, 2019 – 7:30 PM

The Leyton Board of Education met Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. in the District’s Administrative Office. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Leyton High School, Leyton JH/Elementary School, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before May 7, 2019. Said posting gave date, time, and location of the meeting.

1 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Board President Jed Benish called the regular school board meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

1.2 ROLL CALL

1.2.1 The following Board of Education members were present: Galen Bartling, Jed Benish, Ryan Borges, Kevin Henke, and Anne Rexroth. Absent: Colleen Cruise.

1.2.2 The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Chris Geary, Elementary/JH Principal Dana Morgan and HS Principal Lance Howitt. Absent: None.

1.3 COMMUNICATIONS

None

2 HEARINGS AND PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

2.1 Kevin Tretter asked the Board to consider offering Cross Country as a fall sports option. He stated that you don’t need a full-team to participate and there is little cost to operate the program.

2.2 Matt Haley asked the Board to consider offering Golf as a spring sports option. He stated that you only need four players to have a team, but individuals could compete as well. He also discussed previous Board concerns such as high player averages, courses where the team could practice, and losing athletes from the track program and presented information to address those concerns.

3 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

None

4 REPORTS

4.1 STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS REPORT

Mr. Howitt presented the Student Board Member Report on behalf of the students which included goals to work on next year such as offering incentives for semester tests and open campus.

4.2 BOARD REPORTS

4.2.1 The Technology Committee met on April 26, 2019 with six members present. The following items were discussed: 1) Technology Plan discussion/review; 2) installation of 3 more access points in Gurley; 3) Digital Citizenship Curriculum; 4) Gurley Computer Lab; 5) 1:1 devices for incoming Freshmen; 6) new staff laptops; 7) Science Amplify curriculum needs – Gurley; 8) recycling outdated Apple products; 9) purchase new iPads in Gurley to remain 1:1; 10) REAP Grant; 11) Mimio projectors; and 12) upgrade/replace computers in Shop.

4.3 STAFF MEMBERS REPORT

None

4.4 ELEMENTARY/JH PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Mrs. Morgan attended three IEP meetings, an MDT meeting, the Building & Grounds Committee meeting, the NDE Data Conference, the NDE Title 1 peer review and Kindergarten graduation. She assisted with the Title 1 self-review, Kindergarten round up testing, and MAP and NSCAS testing. She reported that the ESU completed the K-6 DIBELS testing and that she had lunch with the April good citizens.

4.5 SECONDARY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Mr. Howitt reported on incoming 9th grade orientation and parents’ meeting, the Raptor Show in Gurley, that NHS students helped with the Groundwater Festival, and that our school didn’t attend Chadron Scholastics due to weather and schedule conflicts. Upcoming events include the Band performing at Elitches in Denver on May 17th and that the HS gymnasium will be closed on

May 20th until further notice for floor refinishing. Mr. Howitt also reported that MAP testing was done and that some students will need to take fall intervention classes. He has been counting his days worked and estimated his last day to be mid-June.

4.6 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

4.6.1 MEETINGS/TRAVEL

Mr. Geary attended the ESU #13 Superintendent's meeting, the NASB School Law for Board Members meeting, the Technology Committee meeting, the NDE Data Conference, and junior high and high school track meets to support our students and coaches. He met with Allen Gross to complete our Rule 10 safety inspection and was tabbed as a judge for the American Legion Auxiliary Pie Contest. At the MAC Superintendent's meeting, Mr. Geary was elected president of the conference for the 2019-2020 school year. He also assisted in completing the Title 1 self-review. He has met with staff on extra duty job assignments and should have his report ready to present at the June meeting. He affirmed with the Board that academics are our priority and that he will be reviewing days missed by staff due to these assignments.

4.6.2 CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Mr. Geary reported that although it has been wet, progress is continuing on the track. The high jump pad and long jump runways have been formed and are waiting for concrete. The lowest bid for the bus barn came from Astro Buildings. Mr. Geary met with Matt Bellamy to determine the best site for the building.

4.6.3 ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Geary recommended approval of the technology plan for upgrades. The final cost will be less than \$10,000 after buy-backs and grant money. He also visited with Sidney's Hillside golf course and stated that they will allow our students practice times three days per week and would be willing to host a golf meet for our school. Meal prices have been reviewed and the recommendation is to make minimal increases. Mr. Geary also recommended that the FOB price be increased to \$120 per year as equipment is aging and will need to be replaced soon.

4.6.4 OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Geary asked the Board members to email him on suggestions/guidelines for staff retirements and condolences. He also reported that the coach bus will need to be repainted, probably in mid-July. Mr. Geary stated that we may be recognized for our MAP growth scores and reviewed the purpose of the intervention classes.

5 REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 EXCUSING A BOARD MEMBER

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Rexroth to excuse Colleen Cruise from tonight's meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES - Rexroth, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO - None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.2 SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Borges to recognize the Best of the West track meet qualifiers (JH - Axi Benish, Peyton Abbott, Chance Carter, Justin Ernest, Cort Rummel, Damyn Russ, Zander Schoolcraft and Gabe Tretter; HS - Maddy Watchorn and Dominick Russ); to the JH athletes who broke school track records (Axi Benish-400m run; Justin Ernest, Chance Carter, Gabe Tretter and Zander Schoolcraft-4x400 Relay; and Gabe Tretter-mile run); to the boys junior high track team for earning MAC Conference Champions; to Mr. Dan Carlson for all of his hard work in science; to Heidi Rushman and Grandma Annie for hosting Story Hour in the library; to Cindy Reilly for scheduling our Raptor Assembly; to PAC for providing a delicious breakfast for our staff; to Mr. Oakes and students for an excellent Spring concert; to NCPA Spring Academic All-State students (Boys Track & Field - Dominick Russ and Zac Henke; Girls Track & Field - Destinee Henke and Maddy Watchorn; Music - Danielle Higgins and Janessa Carley); to the Class of 2019 Graduates; to the Juniors (Class of 2020), Mrs. Lindholm and Mrs. Shafer for hosting a wonderful Prom and compliments to all students who attended for their conduct that allowed everyone to enjoy the evening; to Danielle Higgins for being selected as a Western Nebraska All-Star Volleyball Game Participant; to Maddy Watchorn for being a state track qualifier in the 110m hurdles; and to the

following students for being named April good citizens by their classroom teachers: (Kindergarten-Brooks Frerichs, 1st grade-Nora Jenson, 2nd grade-Jonathon Reimers, 3rd grade-Colt VanAnne, 4th grade-Mason Marks, 5th grade-Macey Roelle, 6th grade-Zaili Benish, 7th grade-Michael Kepler and 8th grade-Chance Carter). ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.3 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING & SPECIAL MEETING

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Benish to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting, April 9, 2019. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth, and Bartling. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Rexroth to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting, April 19, 2019. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES - Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, and Borges. VOTING NO - None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.4 APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Motion by Henke, seconded by Bartling to approve reports presented at this meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, Borges, and Henke. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.5 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS, WARRANTS, AND TRANSFERS

5.5.1 Motion by Henke, seconded by Rexroth to approve General Fund bills and Financial Reports as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Rexroth, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.5.2 Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Henke to approve bills and financial reports from the remaining funds as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.6 APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY PURCHASES

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Borges to approve technology purchases as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth and Bartling. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

Motion by Borges, seconded by Rexroth to approve the sale of outdated iPads according to the bid presented by Diamond Assets. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, and Borges. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.7 APPROVAL OF COACHING RESIGNATION

Motion by Henke, seconded by Borges to accept the resignation of Cody Gamble as Varsity Boys Basketball coach. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, Borges and Henke. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.8 APPROVAL OF GOLF AS A STUDENT ACTIVITY FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Henke, seconded by Bartling to approve Golf as a school sponsored activity for the 2019-2020 school year; competition will be during the boys' season. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Henke, and Benish. VOTING NO – Rexroth and Borges. MOTION CARRIED: 3-2.

5.9 APPROVAL OF TEAMMATES MENTORING PROGRAM

Motion by Henke, seconded by Rexroth to approve TeamMates Mentoring to begin in the 2019-2020 school year and provide \$1500.00 to support a local director. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.10 APPROVAL OF LUNCH/ACTIVITY/FOB PRICES FOR 2019-2020

Motion by Borges, seconded by Henke to approve the following lunch, activity and FOB facility use prices for the 2019-2020 school year: (LUNCH: Adult Lunch-\$3.75, HS Lunch-\$2.85, HS 2nd Entrée-\$1.30, 6th-8th Lunch-\$2.75, K-5th Lunch-\$2.60, Elem/JH 2nd Entrée-\$0.75, Adult Breakfast-\$2.25, HS Breakfast-\$1.60, HS Breakfast 2nd Entrée-\$1.00, Elem/JH Breakfast-\$1.50, Milk-\$0.40; ACTIVITIES: Student Gate-\$4.00, Adult Gate-\$5.00, Student (K-8th) Pass-\$20.00, Adult Pass-\$30.00, Family Pass-\$100.00, Golden Age (60+)-FREE; FOB Facility Use: \$150.00/year.) ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth, and Bartling. VOTING NO - None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5.11 APPROVAL OF FFA OVERNIGHT STAY

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Bartling to approve the overnight stay for FFA State Horse Judging in Norfolk, May 20, 2019. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, and Borges. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

6 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6.1 Next Regular Board Meeting: June 10, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

7 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Rexroth to adjourn the regular school board meeting at 8:42 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Bartling, Borges, and Henke. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

Ryan Borges, Board Secretary

Janella Kruse, Recording Secretary