

Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education
September 11, 2017 – 7:30 p.m.
District Administrative Offices in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER:

President Benish called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Members present: Jed Benish, Colleen Cruise, Kevin Henke, Cary Linton, and Jennifer Powell. Members absent: Rob Rushman. Also present were Superintendent Lorrie Miller, Principal Lance Howitt and Recording Secretary Janella Kruse. In addition, there were eighteen visitors.

Moved by Mr. Linton, seconded by Mr. Benish to approve the agenda as amended. Motion approved 5-0.

Communications were read from Mrs. Becky Murray's 3rd grade class, Mrs. Dana Morgan, and the Tailgate Sponsors (Becky Murray and Dana Morgan).

Mr. Cooper, FFA sponsor, and FFA officers addressed the Board regarding their activities. Secretary Alyson Holt talked about the EDGE conference and how to boost membership. President Paige Ernest spoke on the National Convention to be held in Indianapolis, IN the last week of October.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to approve the minutes of the Board's regular meeting for August 14, 2017. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mrs. Cruise to approve the General Fund bills and financial reports as presented. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Linton, seconded by Mrs. Powell to approve bills and financial reports from the remaining funds as presented. Motion approved 5-0.

ACTION ITEMS:

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Henke to grant Special Recognition to Cody & Naomi Loomis and their family for hosting our Eclipse day trip, to Shad & Michelle Benish for their beef donation, and to KDK Meats for their processing donation. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mrs. Powell to approve the proposed budget for 2017-2018. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mrs. Cruise to approve the proposed property tax request for 2017-2018. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to approve the school attorney's policy recommendations with noted changes as discussed: to delete #2004 (Oath of Office), #3038 (Suspension & Debarment), #5060 (Service Animals); to adopt #2016 (Participation in Insurance Program by Board Members), #3003.1 (Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds), #3036 (Purchasing (Credit) Card Program), #3042 (Construction Management at Risk Contracts), #3043 (Design-Build Contracts), #3044 (Incidental or De Minimis Use of Public Resources), #3045 (Use of Sniffer Dogs); and to revise #2005 (Conflict of Interest), #4053 (Conflict of Interest), #3003 (Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair or Site Improvement), #3011 (Transportation), #3033 (Lending Textbooks to Children Enrolled in Private Schools), #3046 (Service Animals), and #5017 (Routine Directory Information). Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to approve the FFA students' National Convention trip. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Linton, seconded by Mr. Henke to approve the course description books. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to approve the purchase of a floor scrubber for the high school. Motion approved 5-0.

Tabled decision on hiring a part-time nurse pending more information.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Discussed the NASB Conference in LaVista, NE on November 15-17, 2017.

Mr. Linton presented an update on the building and grounds summer projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to enter into executive session at 9:00 p.m. regarding legal advice. Motion approved 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Benish, seconded by Mr. Linton to return to regular session at 10:00 p.m. Motion approved 5-0.

REPORTS:

Mr. Howitt reported on the success of the Eclipse day field trip and that MAP testing will be done for the K-11th grades by this Friday, September 15th. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on September 18th with a 12:30 p.m. school dismissal time. Some teachers will be attending School Improvement training in Gering that same day, but will be back later for the conferences. Upcoming activity dates include: September 20th – 3rd grade Fitness & Nutrition Day in Sidney; September 21st – 4th grade trip to Flowerfield; September 22nd – High School picture day; September 25th – Elementary/JH school picture day; and Homecoming activities will be the week of the 25th. He also reported that the Gurley football scoreboard is nearing completion; that the new salad bar has arrived in Gurley; and that the HS marching band will participate in the Dalton Fall Festival and Oktoberfest parades.

Ms. Miller reported that the District had received a letter from the NDE and we are in compliance regarding evaluation policies.

Mrs. Cruise reported that the Dalton/Leyton alumni will meet next summer and they would like to use the multi-purpose room and gymnasium.

TIME AND DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Leyton Board of Education will be Monday, October 9, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the district's administrative offices at Leyton High School in Dalton.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 10:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by,

Janella Kruse
Recording Secretary

Jennifer Powell, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education