

Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education Meeting
April 12, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
High School Multi-Purpose Room in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER:

President Suzy Ernest called the regular school board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The public was informed of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall of the multi-purpose room. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before Wednesday, April 7, 2021. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Ryan Borges, Lisa Carter, Suzy Ernest, Rol Rushman, Sam Schumacher, and Dave Wiedeman. Members absent: None. Also present were Interim Superintendent Chuck Bunner, Elementary/JH Principal Dana Morgan, HS Principal Nick Brost and Recording Secretary Janella Kruse. In addition, there were approximately thirty-five visitors.

A thank you card was read from the Nick Brost Family.

Senior President, Hannah Vath, presented to the Board an itinerary and list of expenses for their class trip to Rapid City on May 13, 2021. Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Carter to approve the senior class trip as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Carter, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

STUCO President, Zac Henke, presented their plans for improving the outside concessions stand. He also displayed the beanie hats and bucket hats that STUCO is selling for their fundraiser.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Moved by Borges, seconded by Rushman to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to approve the minutes of the Board's regular meeting on March 8, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Carter to approve the bills and financial reports as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Carter, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Public comments were heard from Russ Rushman and Kate Waite.

REPORTS:

Mrs. Morgan presented the JH/Elementary Principal Report and added that Kindergarten Roundup was held with eight students pre-registered. She also recognized Bruce Ernest for introducing State Trooper Isaac Ascherl who will begin monthly programming with our school and students.

Mr. Brost presented the HS Principal Report including that the NSCAS ACT Testing is done for all Juniors.

Mr. Bunner presented the Superintendent's Report including information on lawn care service, the science room remodel project, and using ESSER funds for HVAC and lighting.

ACTION ITEMS:

Moved by Carter, seconded by Schumacher to grant Special Recognition to the March Good Citizens (K-Whitlynn Boman, 1st-Brityn Boman, 2nd-Maddy Mitchell, 3rd-Lexi Serrato, 4th-Chase Moore, 5th-Gracyn Abbott, 6th-Riley Benish, 7th-Josette McConnell, 8th-Ella Haley); to the JH 7th grade Quiz Bowl team for placing 1st at Banner County; to the JH 8th grade Quiz Bowl team for placing 2nd at Banner County; to Mr. Newkirk for

sponsoring the JH Quiz Bowl teams; to Mrs. Murray and the 3rd grade for amazing pop bottle biography presentations; to Mrs. Bartling for organizing the annual egg drop and to Mr. Gamble and Mr. Coffey for helping; to Miss Thompson and Mrs. Thacker for allowing Banner County teachers to observe our Amplify Science Curriculum; to Trooper Ascherl for eating lunch with the 3rd graders; to Mark Carley for his help during the Leyton Alumni Basketball Tournament and to Jeremy Reimers for organizing the event; to the Leyton eSports team for competing in the State Tournament and to the team of Peyton Eckhardt and Shaun Slaughter for making it to the "Elite 8"; also to Peyton Eckhardt for being instrumental in getting eSports started at our school; to Mr. Haley for volunteering his time to work with the eSports team; to the HS Quiz Bowl team for placing 3rd at MAC; to Mr. Hutton for sponsoring the HS Quiz Bowl team; to the Sidney Golf Course for allowing the Leyton Golf team to practice at their facility; to Mrs. Hansen for her volunteer work with the Fine Arts Club the past two years; to Hannah Vath for getting the Fine Arts Club started; to Zac Henke for signing to play football at Concordia next year; to our HS track athletes for outstanding performances and to the Boys' track team for placing 1st at the Tri-State meet and 1st at the Bayard C-D meet; to Mr. Oakes and the Leyton music students for receiving Best Concert Band, Top Overall Instrumental School, Best Choir, and Top Overall Vocal School at the MAC Music Contest; to Leyton's thirty-six high school students recognized by the NSAA as Multi-Activity Student Award recipients; to Cortney Holt for placing 6th at State Speech; to the NCPA Academic All-State recipients: Ella Draper, Axi Benish, Trenton Rushman, Brenton Abbott, Logan Bartling, Cortney Holt, Zac Henke, and Dominick Russ; to the MAC All-Conference Basketball selections: First Team-Ella Draper and KJ Bush, Honorable Mention-Axi Benish and Justin Ernest; to Ella Draper for being selected Omaha World-Herald All-State in Basketball; to Points West Community Bank for hosting the ACT test site for the Juniors; and to Mr. Haley and his welding students for displaying their work at the Homestead Market. Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Borges to table the revision approval of Policy #2006 (Complaint Procedures) until next month. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion was held on Policy #2008 regarding posting meeting notices in addition to the district's local newspaper. Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to approve the revision of Policy #2008 (Meetings) to require the superintendent to "publish the notice of any meeting on the school district's website, posting at the main entrances of both schools and two other prominent places within the school district, or by any other appropriate method designated by the board". Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Borges, seconded by Carter to approve, with regret, the staff resignations of Irma Rios and Julia Fort and wish them the best of luck. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Rushman to approve the hiring of Mrs. Amy Neumann as an elementary teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Borges, seconded by Schumacher to approve the hiring of Mr. Ryan Plummer as High School Principal/AD for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Carter, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Borges to accept the SPED policy as presented and use it to replace Policy #6010 (Special Education). Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Wiedeman to approve a contract with Weathercraft for roof repairs. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Borges, seconded by Schumacher to approve GPAC (Great Plains Asbestos Control, Inc.) to remove asbestos from the science room. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

TIME AND DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Leyton Board of Education will be Monday, May 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the multi-purpose room at Leyton High School in Dalton.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Schumacher to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Borges, Carter, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by,

Janella Kruse
Recording Secretary

Rol Rushman, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education