

Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education Meeting
January 9, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
High School Multi-Purpose Room in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER/REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD:

President Ryan Borges called the regular school board meeting to order at 5:30 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, Scottsbluff Star-Herald, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before Thursday, January 5, 2023.

The meeting was turned over to Superintendent McLaughlin to begin the reorganization of the Board. The Oath of Office was given and recited by new member Shad Benish.

Nomination by Ernest, seconded by Schumacher for Ryan Borges as President of the Board of Education. Motion by Wiedeman, seconded by Rushman to cease nominations and elect Ryan Borges as President of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Borges was elected as the President of the Board of Education. Mr. Borges, after assuming the office of the President, presided over the rest of the meeting.

Nomination by Benish, seconded by Ernest for Sam Schumacher as Vice President of the Board of Education. Motion by Ernest, seconded by Rushman to cease nominations and elect Sam Schumacher as Vice President of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Benish. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Schumacher was elected as Vice President of the Board of Education.

Nomination by Schumacher, seconded by Benish for Suzy Ernest as Secretary of the Board of Education. Motion by Rushman, seconded by Wiedeman to cease nominations and elect Suzy Ernest as Secretary of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mrs. Ernest was elected as Secretary of the Board of Education.

Nomination by Ernest for Rol Rushman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. This nomination was rescinded. Nomination by Rushman, seconded by Ernest for Dave Wiedeman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. Motion by Benish, seconded by Borges to cease nominations and elect Dave Wiedeman as Treasurer of the Board of Education. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried: 6-0. Mr. Wiedeman was elected as Treasurer of the Board of Education.

The following Committee Appointments were made by President Borges:

Budget/Negotiations (3):	Benish, Rushman, Wiedeman
Building/Grounds (2):	Benish, Schumacher
Curriculum/American Civics (3):	Borges, Ernest, Wiedeman
Safety (1):	Rushman
Security/Crisis (1):	Schumacher
School Improvement (1):	Wiedeman
Transportation (2):	Borges, Schumacher
Technology (1):	Borges
Wellness (2):	Benish, Ernest

Members present: Shad Benish, Ryan Borges, Suzy Ernest, Rol Rushman, Sam Schumacher, and Dave Wiedeman. Members absent: None. Also present were Superintendent Matt McLaughlin, and HS Principal Kevin Thomas. In addition, there were five visitors.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

REPORTS:

Mrs. Megan Rathman, Curriculum Director, gave an update on the reading program that the committee reviewed. She will have quotes available for the next meeting.

Cort Rummel, STUCO President, gave the STUCO report. They are in the planning phase of future projects and Warrior period competitions. Community calendars are available for purchase in the Dalton office. They are also planning a Corn Hole Tournament for May 6th.

Mr. Thomas presented the Secondary Principal's report including the addition of High Plains Music on the calendar for February 6th & 7th in Chadron.

Mr. McLaughlin presented the Superintendent's Report. He also discussed plans for improving the football concessions stand.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Ernest to recognize Academic All-State Recipients (Volleyball-Zaili Benish, Shawnee Gamble; Football-Kaleb Borges, Chance Carter; Cross Country-Axi Benish, Jaxson Benish; Play Production-Cort Rummel, Shawnee Gamble); to the Star-Herald All-Region athletes (Volleyball 4th team-Zaili Benish, Trinity Beutler; Football 1st Team Offense-Justin Ernest; Cross Country 2nd Team-Axi Benish); to High School 2nd Quarter Perfect Attendance (Macey Roelle, Alex Slaughter, Shaun Slaughter, Holden Syverson); to High School 2nd Quarter 95% or Better Attendance (Jeremiah Hajek, Zach Anderson, Ella Haley, Matthew Schwaderer, Jaxson Benish, Jonathan Kruse, Trenton Rushman, Claire Watchorn, Justin Ernest, Cort Rummel, Damyn Russ, and Morgan Shaw); to the Village of Dalton and Village of Gurley for providing popcorn/treat bags for the students; and to the Grounds Crew of Jacob Noel, Ryan Fortune, and Mark Carley as well as Alan Berner, Jerred Berner, and Matt Gillespie for their work on snow removal the last few weeks. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Schumacher to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on December 12, 2022. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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

The Board reviewed Policies #5000-#5017. No action was necessary.

Motion by Borges, seconded by Rushman to approve the Mission Statement for Leyton Public Schools. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. The Board directed Mr. McLaughlin to get teacher/staff input for a new vision statement for the next meeting.

Board of Education Conflict of Interest Forms were reviewed. No action was necessary.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Wiedeman to designate Points West Community Bank as the Depository of the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Ernest, seconded by Schumacher to designate Simmons Olsen Law Firm as the Legal Firm for the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Benish, seconded by Ernest to designate Rauner and Associates as Auditors for the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Ernest to appoint Matt McLaughlin as designated official of the Board of Education with authority to apply for Elementary and Secondary Education Act Grants, to testify

before legislative committees, and serve as the District Nondiscrimination Compliance Coordinator. Roll call vote: Yes: Benish, Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to not accept the resignation of Marla Davis, Special Education Teacher, as of January 20, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, and Benish. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Benish to accept, with regret, the resignation of Ginny Post, Business Teacher, at the end of the 2022-2023 school year and to thank her for her service to the District. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion was held regarding a handbook revision in terms of violations to the code of conduct. No action was taken.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. Next Regular Meeting: February 13, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Benish, seconded by Schumacher to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Schumacher, Wiedeman, Benish, Borges, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Approved by,

Respectfully submitted,

Suzy Ernest, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education

Janella Kruse,
Recording Secretary