

Proceedings of Leyton Public Schools Board of Education
Cheyenne County School District #17-0003
High School Library
Regular Board Meeting - July 13, 2026
6:00 PM

Call to Order:

The regular board meeting of the Leyton Public School District Board of Education was called to order on July 13, 2026, at 6:00 PM, in the Library of Leyton High School, Dalton, NE 69131. The Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall of the Library. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the school website (www.leytonwarriors.org) on or before Thursday, July 9, 2026.

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM.

Benish:	Present
Mr. Ernest:	Present
Mrs. Ernest:	Present
Jones:	Present
Schumacher:	Present
Wiedeman:	Present

Also present were Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kruse and Mrs. Haley.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was no communication for the board.

Moved by Mrs. Ernest, seconded by Benish to approve the agenda. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Wiedeman to enter the hearing for Policy 5054: Student Bullying at 6:02 PM. Roll Call vote: Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Mrs. Ernest, seconded by Jones, to close the hearing for Policy 5054: Student Bullying at 6:03 PM. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Mrs. Ernest, to enter the hearing for Policy 5018: Parent Involvement in Education Practices at 6:03 PM. Roll Call vote: Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Schumacher, to close the hearing for Policy 5018: Parent Involvement in Education Practices at 6:04 PM. Roll Call vote: Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Jones, to enter the hearing for Policy 5045: Student Fees at 6:04 PM. Roll Call vote: Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Mr. Ernest, seconded by Wiedeman, to close the hearing for Policy 5045: Student Fees at 6:05 PM. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Reports:

Mr. McLaughlin gave a summary of the ALICAP meeting he attended earlier this month. He also presented the Superintendent's Report.

Discussion Items:

Mr. McLaughlin discussed the Emergency Operation Plan which will be presented at the next meeting. There was also discussion on student drug testing and staff usage of AI.

Action Items:

Moved by Mr. Ernest, seconded by Wiedeman, to recognize Jacob Noel, Mark Carley, Bruce Ernest, Glen Lipska, and Jaecee Gotfrey for their work as a summer crew on our facilities. Roll Call vote: Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Schumacher, to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2026, regular meeting. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Mrs. Ernest, to approve the claims, warrants, and transfers. Roll Call vote: Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Benish, to approve Policy 5001: Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism, Policy 5054: Bullying, Policy 5018: Parental Involvement, Policy 5057: Title 1 Parental Involvement; Policy 6020: Multicultural Education and revise Policy 5045: Student Fees. Roll Call vote: Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Mr. Ernest to adopt Policy 4065: Staff Use of AI Tools. Roll Call vote: Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Mrs. Ernest to adopt Policy 5900: Extracurricular Drug Testing Program. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Mr. Ernest to approve the CTE curriculum purchase of \$7,500 using State CTE Grant Dollars. Roll Call vote: Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Mrs. Ernest to approve the Hudl purchase for \$10,000. Roll Call vote: Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Mr. Ernest, seconded by Jones, to approve the purchase of IXL in the amount of \$11,682.50, for a three-year subscription. Roll Call vote: Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Mrs. Ernest, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the Student, Staff, and Activity Handbooks as presented. Roll Call vote: Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Benish to approve Ashton Van Anne as the Ag teacher, contingent on certification with the state. Roll Call vote: Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Jones, to approve Rauner and Associates Audit Proposal for FY ending in 2026. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Informational Items:

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, August 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM in the High School Library

NASB Area Membership Meeting for Board Members: Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at the Gering Civic Center.

Adjournment:

Moved by Benish, seconded by Mrs. Ernest to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. Roll Call vote: Mr. Ernest: Yea, Mrs. Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea, Benish: Yea. Motion Carried Yea: 6, Nay: 0.

Approved by,

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzy Ernest, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education

Matt McLaughlin,
Recording Secretary