Lewiston Consolidated Schools

School Board Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2019

A regular meeting of the Lewiston School Board District 69 was held on Tuesday, November 12th, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was open to the public and preceded in notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by President Aaron Rule and he verbally acknowledged the Open Meetings Law poster on the wall and that the meeting was recorded. Roll call found the following members to be present: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Absent: None. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Juli Smith, Linda Thomas, and several visitors.

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve the agenda as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Visitors were welcomed. There were no visitor comments.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa “to approve the October 16, 2019, regular school board meeting minutes, October 28, 2019 and November 6, 2019 school board workshop meeting minutes as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

The treasurer’s report was presented by Dennis Schuster, and Rick Kentfield presented the monthly claims, payroll, and transfers. Moved by Husa and seconded by Searcey “to approve the November treasurer’s report, November payroll and claims as presented in the amount of $312,615.18.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Husa, Janssen. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Andrew Sisco, Nick Thomas, Sharon Mencl, and Rae Lynn Bredemeier, all addressed the board of education and expressed a desire to be appointed for the vacant board member position.

Moved by Schuster and seconded by Husa “to nominate Andrew Sisco to fill the school board vacancy.” Discussion was held. Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Husa, Rule. Those opposed: Searcey, Janssen. Motion carried, 3-2.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, administered the Oath of Office to Andrew Sisco. Committee assignments were discussed, board member contact information was collected, and the required review of a conflict of interest was held.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Janssen “to approve the purchase of a 59 passenger bus from Cornhusker International Trucks for $79,775.00 with financing for four years through Community Leasing Partners.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Sisco. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Jacinta Kramer, Food Service Director, gave a presentation on the food service programming at Lewiston School. Discussion was held. Mr. Kentfield will continue to advertise for a part-time food service worker.

Discussion was held on facility projects including the new east entry doors, ADA parking, Ag building, and HVAC replacement. Mr. Kentfield will contact ETI, Engineering Technologies Inc. located in Lincoln, NE for a quote to serve as the lead for the district’s HVAC project.

Juli Smith, Principal, shared information on all the activities taking place at the school.

Mr. Kentfield, Superintendent, discussed the NASB workshop, 2020-2021 negotiations, 2020-2021 EHA rates, and Legislative Preview Conference.

There were no board committee reports at this time.

Moved by Husa and seconded by Janssen “to adjourn at 9:36 p.m.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Husa, Janssen, Rule, Schuster, Sisco, Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Friday, December 13th, at 8:00 p.m.

Rick Kentfield

Board Secretary, Dist. #69