

Lewiston Consolidated Schools
School Board Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2021

A regular meeting of the District 69 Board of Education, Pawnee County, was held on Monday, October 18th, at 7:00 p.m., the meeting being open to the public and proceeded in notice as required by law. Notice of this meeting was given to the President and all members of the Board and a copy of the acknowledgement of notice and the agenda is noted in the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the public in advanced notice and to the President of the Board and all Board members.

The meeting was called to order, the Open Meetings Law poster recognized, and verbal notice that the meeting was recorded was given by the President and on a roll call vote, the following members were present: Bredemeier, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Wehrbein. Excused Absence: none. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Juli Smith, Terry Howell, Linda Thomas, Brady Bledsaw and visitors.

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

Visitors were welcomed. No visitor comments at this time.

Review and approval of minutes were tabled for additional information.

The treasurer’s report was presented by Dennis Schuster, and Rick Kentfield presented the monthly claims, payroll, and transfers. Discussion was held. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Wehrbein “to approve the October treasurer’s report, October payroll and claims as presented in the amount of \$338,806.59.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Schuster, Searcey, Wehrbein, and Bredemeier. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Wehrbein and seconded by Schuster “to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2021, Budget Hearing and Tax Levy Hearing, and September 15, 2021, regular school board meeting.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Wehrbein and seconded by Schuster “to appoint Terry Howell to fill the board member vacancy.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, Rule, Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Rick Kentfield, Secretary, administered the Oath of Office to Terry Howell as the new member of the school board.

Mr. Kentfield updated the board on extra duty assignments.

Mr. Kentfield, Superintendent, reported on the progress of the new track and the elementary boy’s restroom remodel, new Vo-Ag building project, and air quality inspection.

Juli Smith, Principal, shared information on homecoming week, JH sports, Red Ribbon week, field trips, FFA student honors at land judging, and MAP testing scores.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, welcomed Brady Bledsaw as the new student member of the school board. Mr. Kentfield also gave an update on COVID and Lewiston's updated Safe Return to Learn Plan, enrollment, early graduation requirements, State Education Conference, and scheduling a Veteran's Day program.

Board Committee report – Aaron Rule, football co-op committee member updated the board on the outcome of sharing high school football with Pawnee City School for the 2022-2024 NSAA football cycle. Pawnee City and Lewiston will not be sharing a high school football program during the next two-year cycle. The football committee and board of education members expressed their appreciation for the time and energy that Pawnee City's board of education, football committee, and superintendent spent on the process.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Howell "to adjourn at 8:32 p.m." Those voting in favor of said motion: Wehrbein, Bredemeier, Howell, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, November 17th, at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Kentfield
Board Secretary, Dist. #69