

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lamoni Community School District
Lamoni High School Media Center
Wednesday, June 14, 2023; 3:30 p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nate Pierschbacher, President

Michele Dickey-Kotz, Vice-President

Lisa Jones, Board Secretary/Treasurer

Kris Stevenson

Zack Mullins

Kathy Lerma-DeNuccio

Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order

School Board President Pierschbacher called the regular board meeting to order at 3:36 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Nate Pierschbacher, Kris Stevenson, Zack Mullins and Michele Dickey-Kotz and Kathy Lerma-DeNuccio

Absent: None

Other: Superintendent Coffelt, Board Secretary Jones, Estes Construction Project Manager Allison Theisen and Project Engineer Dalton Boerner and 2 community members.

Agenda

The Board moved to approve the May 10 and May 17 meeting agendas, list of monthly bills, monthly financials as presented and fundraising request from Junior Class for 2023-2024 school year. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Lerma-DeNuccio, **Motion** carried unanimously.

Citizen Communication

No one attending addressed the board during Citizens' Communication.

Learning Links

There was no Learning Link this month.

Discussion Items

Allison Theisen, Estes Construction Project Manager, gave a monthly update on HVAC upgrades including fire sprinkler piping through High School, basketball hoops reinstalled, duct and air handler demolition in the gymnasium complete, middle school insulation installation and ductwork demolition, structural steel reinforcement complete and electrical overhead rough-in continues. The School board took a tour of the Middle School, High School gymnasium and locker rooms to review change orders.

The Board reviewed the need for renewal of the District Revenue Purpose Statement, which requires a community referendum.

What is a Revenue Purpose Statement?

A Revenue Purpose Statement (RPS) is a ballot measure that describes how school districts can spend penny sales tax (SAVE) funds that the State of Iowa has dedicated to public schools.

Why is it important now?

Lamoni's current Revenue Purpose Statement will expire in 2031. The district will need to consider voter approval of a new RPS that would extend for the duration of the penny sales tax (SAVE) which is allowed by Iowa law through the year 2050.

Will this raise taxes?

No, this will not raise taxes. Approving the Revenue Purpose Statement will allow the district to access future SAVE funds, but it will not change the current sales tax rate. The penny sales tax that funds SAVE will be collected across the

state regardless of whether or not this measure is approved. This vote is in regards to how the district utilizes these funds.

Action

The Board moved to approve Prime Contract Potential Change Order #008 for \$9,615.00, which revises the lighting layout, roof structure and ceilings in the girls' locker room.. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve Prime Contract Potential Change Order #007 for \$18,339.50, which provides acoustical ceiling grid, a new heater and revised lighting for the middle school transition vestibule. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.** 18

The Board moved to approve Prime Contract Potential Change Order #010 for \$16,630.00, which provides demolition of existing tile in the middle school hallway and installation of new VCT tile. **Motion** by Director Stevenson, second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board received the suggested modifications to student handbooks and moved to table approval of the 2023-2024 elementary, middle school and high school handbooks, until the July meeting, when alignment with changes in Iowa law could be completed. **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio, second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to table the 2023-2024 course curriculum review. **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio, second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve District Developed Service Delivery Plan (DDSDP) **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Lerma-DeNuccio **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the early graduation request for a 2024 senior, graduating at the end of Fall 2023 semester, pending successful completion of all graduation criteria. **Motion** by Director Mullins second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the following hires: Stacy Jones, School Business Official: Business Manager/Board Secretary starting July 1, 2023 and Amber Fairbanks as PK-12 Principal starting August 1, 2023. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Lerma-DeNuccio **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the following hires for the 2023-2024 year: Sarah Burke as the Middle School Language Arts teacher, starting August 17, 2023, Samantha Cummins as a Special Education 1-on-1 paraprofessional starting August 21, 2023 and Daron Henson, evening custodian starting July 1, 2023, pending completion of background checks. **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the resignation of certified teacher Kyle Leonard, high school social studies teacher. **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the 2nd reading of the following board policy updates. 210.05, 401.05R1, 401.10, 407.02, 501.02, 604.06, 701.02, 708 and new policy 210.0 **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the 1st reading of the following board policy updates. 104, 104.R1, 213, 402.02, 408.01, 505.04, 505.05, 507.02, 507.02E1, 507.02E2, 601-01, 603.05, 605.01, 605.01R1, 605.02, 605.03, 605.05, 605.07R1, 607.02, 607.02R1, 804.05, and new policies being added such as 402.05, 503.07, 503.0E1 503.07E2, 507.02E3, 507.02E4, 605.03E5, and 804.05E1 **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Lerma-DeNuccio **Motion carried unanimously.**

Topics for discussion next month

Items for review and discussion next month include:

- IASB School Board Work Session
- Student fees & nutrition pricing
- HVAC Project update

Upcoming Dates

- Regular Board meeting, Thursday, July 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. **Motion** made by Director Stevenson; second by Director Dickey-Kotz. **Motion carried unanimously.**