

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION - RE-4J

Regular KIND OF MEETING	High School Library MEETING PLACE	7:00 p.m. TIME	April MONTH	18 DAY	2011 YEAR
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Jason Bandy  
**PRESIDING OFFICER**

Bart O'Dwyer  
**MEMBER**

Jack Horner  
**VICE CHAIRMAN**

Chris Selle  
**SUPERINTENDENT**

Russell Lengel  
**TREASURER**

Sharon Newsom  
**SECRETARY**

**Roll Call:** The regular board meeting was called to order by President Jason Bandy at 7:00 p.m. Roll call reflected that all Board Members were present.

**Mission Statement:** Jack Horner read the district mission statement.

**Agenda:** Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the agenda for April 18, 2011 with the following corrections; the executive session is 12.8, the next regular board meeting will be on May 16, 2011 and the special board meeting was set for April 25, 2011 at 6pm in the library. Motion passed unanimously.

**School Officials:** Chris Selle, Joel Albers, and Dirk Pedersen

**Audience:** Kim Trujillo, Charles Hoffman, Craig Bailey, Bill Pierce, and Dillan Jeffrey

**Minutes:** Bart O'Dwyer moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

**Audience Participation:** Bill Pierce, the head of the Deer Trail Elks Lodge, wanted to inform the Board of a motivational speaker they have coming on September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the Deer Trail gym. His name is Milton Creagh and he talks to the kids about drugs, alcohol and making kids go in the right direction. They are going to all the schools in the area to invite them to come hear him speak.

**Financial Reports:** Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for March 2011 in the amount of \$401,947.36. Russell read the breakdown. Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the Capital Reserve expenditures for March of 2011 in the amount of \$9,567.00. Russell read the breakdown. The motion passed unanimously.

**Education Reports:** A. Elementary/Middle School Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)  
Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report in the packet. The attendance rate in the elementary is back to over 95%. Students will be testing this month on DIBELS, Maps, and AIMSweb. Kindergarten Roundup will be this Thursday. Jason asked if we could do this on a Friday next year instead of paying subs we would just pay the kindergarten teachers to come in an extra day. The fourth graders are presenting their I on Health projects this week. He thanked Nick Layton on behalf of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders and teachers for his student teaching. He included the dates of upcoming events for the elementary and middle school.

B. High School Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)  
Mr. Selle highlighted items from his report in the packet. The enrollment count and attendance rate is steady and has been all year. The jr/sr play was entertaining as always. There were 5 students inducted into the National Honor Society. Prom went well for the portion that he was at. Courts in Colorado will be here tomorrow in the Mitchell Event Center. All the CSAP tests have been shipped. MCC graduation will be on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Two Limon seniors have earned their Associates Degrees, Ashton Taylor and Zoe Phillip. He included a bell schedule that still needs some work on for next year's high school and middle school.

- C. Accountability – Joel stated that he would like to change the date of the next meeting because it conflicts with Elementary Honor Band which will be held in Calhan that night.
- D. Staff Report (none given)
- E. STUCO Report (none given)
- F. Athletic Department Report (stated report was in the packet)  
Dirk highlighted items from his Board report. The girls track team placed 1<sup>st</sup> at Lamar, Byers, and the Warren Mitchell Invitational. The boys placed 4<sup>th</sup> at the invitational. He thanked Craig Bailey who ran everything from the booth. Baseball's record is 9-2. The Limon Invitational Golf tournament was postponed due to the high winds.
- G. Custodial Report (none given)
- H. FFA Report (none given)

**Board Reports:**

Bart asked Chris if he has heard from Centimark regarding the respraying of the elementary roof. Chris stated no that he hasn't heard from them but he needs them to give him something in writing stating that the same product needs to be sprayed on the elementary roof so the insurance company will pay for it. Bart said he would call them again to get them on that. Jason stated they had received two thank you cards from the Pedersen's and from Shirelle.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Selle highlighted items from his board report. The Joint Budget Committee for Senate Bill 230 is wanting to change the K-12 cut to \$250 million rather than the proposed \$332 million. This would mean a loss in revenue to Limon at about \$225,000 to \$250,000 depending on enrollment. The Federal funds we receive we will have to pay to the State. The Ag Advisory Committee is exploring a grant through Lowe's to increase the space in the Ag Ed shop. This is still about 2 years out. He did warn the committee that the school would not be able to provide any funds and possibly any labor for this project but he does believe it needs to be done. Chris asked the Board if we could change our Worker's Comp broker to Associates Group. Several other schools have changed because they are offering better service for lower rates. He is looking at possibly having 3 half-day kindergarten sessions with two teachers next year due to the large size of the class. Going to have time kindergarten would be at a loss of about \$25,000. This money would have to be placed in reserve. He included a memorandum of understanding from BOCES. Nothing will or has changed but they wanting everything in writing.

**Audience Participation:** None

**Action Items:**

**School Calendar**

Jack Horner moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the 2011-2012 school calendar as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution**

Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve a Board Resolution to use Education Jobs Federal Funds to off-set reduction in State Equalization funds by the same amount. The motion passed unanimously.

**Supplement Appropriation**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve a supplement appropriation of \$100,531.05 from Federal Education Jobs Funds and reduce the General Fund Revenue by \$100,531.05. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution**

Sharon Newsom moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve a Board Resolution to use State Fiscal Stabilization Funds to off-set reduction in State Equalization funds by the same amount. The motion passed unanimously.

**Supplement Appropriation**

Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve a supplement appropriation of \$38,600.90 from State Fiscal Stabilization Funds and reduce the General Fund Revenue by \$38,600.90. The motion passed unanimously.

**School Budget**

Jack Horner moved and Russell Lengel seconded the motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the 2011-2012 Limon School Budget. Chris stated that this does reflect all the changes but they did notice that they need to take out all the summer school items. The motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution**

Sharon Newsom moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the Board Resolution for Reduction in Force as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Session**

Russell Lengel moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to go into an Executive Session in accordance with CRS24-6-402(4)(f) at 7:43pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Out of Executive Session**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to come out of Executive Session at 9:20pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Future Business:**

Special School Board Meeting on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the High School Library.

Work Session – Monday, May 16, 2011 at 6pm in the High School Library.

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, May 16, 2011 the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library

**Adjournment:**

At 9:20pm Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.