

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION - RE-4J

Regular KIND OF MEETING	High School Library MEETING PLACE	7:00 p.m. TIME	April MONTH	15 DAY	2013 YEAR
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Jason Bandy  
PRESIDING OFFICER

Bart O'Dwyer  
MEMBER

Jack Horner  
VICE CHAIRMAN

Dave Marx  
SUPERINTENDENT

Russell Lengel  
TREASURER

Sharon Newsom  
SECRETARY

- Roll Call:** The regular board meeting was called to order by President Jason Bandy at 7:07 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 Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda for April 15, 2013 moving the executive session to the end. Motion passed unanimously.
- School Officials:** Dave Marx, Joel Albers, Traci Weisensee, & Dirk Pedersen
- Audience:** Charles Hoffman, Kim Trujillo, Elaina Rudder, Craig Bailey, Kendell Kropp and Don Weidinger
- Minutes:** Sharon Newsom moved and Russell Lengel seconded the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2013. Motion passed unanimously.
- Audience Participation:** Kendell Kropp presented the new math books that they will be using next year in middle school. She passed out a teacher's edition to the Board to look at. They correlate with our new common core standards. They have warm-up problems and one word problem every day. She stated they are parent friendly and the examples are clear and easy to follow. There are pre and post assessments and access to more online. You can create your own tests with the CD exam view which lets you pick from 200 questions. She has used her current books for 11 years. Her classes are currently making graphs for the time capsule Mrs. Bennett is in charge of.
- Financial Reports:** Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for March of 2013 in the amount of \$351,230.11. Russell read the breakdown. The motion passed unanimously.
- Education Reports:**
- Elementary Principal Report** (stated report was in the packet)  
Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report in the packet. Current enrollment is at 199 and the October count was 184. Attendance continues to be above our goal or 95%. Teachers will be finishing the MAPs and DIBELS testing this month and next. He attended a training at BOCES last Friday on SB191 student growth. He listed dates of all the elementary upcoming events.
- Secondary Principal Report** (stated report was in the packet)  
Traci Weisensee highlighted items from her report. The attendance rates continue to improve. She congratulated Katelyn Turner and Zane Carpenter for being nominated for the Deer Trail Elks Lodge Outstanding student honors. Also, she congratulated Ben Bontrager for playing in the All State Band in Greeley. She thanked the Prom sponsors, Kelly Packer, Charlie Martinez and Peggy Niebur for their efforts with Prom. Workers at the National Western Stock Show complimented our students and how organized the event went. She read a letter from Kylie Frazier addressed to the School Board and High School regarding the senior trip. She apologized for the incident with alcohol. Traci went over what is going on in the counseling office. She included a list of events for the rest of the school year and an example of a survey from the sexual misconduct program presented by the District Attorney's office.
- Accountability:**  
Joel stated the next meeting will be April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Staff Report:** (none given)
- STUCO Report:** (none given)
- Athletic Department Report:**  
Dirk Pedersen highlighted items from his report. He thanked Craig Bailey and Charlie Martinez for their help running the Warren Mitchell Invitational Track Meet. He met with middle school boys to see who would be interested in playing football next fall. He recommends that we allow 6<sup>th</sup> graders to play again next year. He would like to change the participation fee to a onetime fee of \$125 for

high school and \$62.50 for middle school. There isn't a very big difference comparing what we made this year to what we could make next year. The Board approved this change.

**FFA Report:**

Elaina Rudder stated they had their District CDEs in Sterling on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were lots of teams participating. 5 or 6 teams will move on to the State CDEs on May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. On April 12<sup>th</sup> they setup and served the Farm Credit Banquet at the Hugo Fair Grounds. Cassie Alcorn was chosen as District Recorder. The Chapter Banquet is this Thursday.

**Board Reports:** None

**Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Marx stated that they sent out a survey regarding the date of Spring Break. Out of the 16 staff members that responded, 13 wanted to move Spring Break back a week. The Board wanted to know why they wanted it moved. Dave stated that he thought so that we would be aligned with most of the schools in our BOCES. Our health insurance rates will be going up again this year.

**Audience Participation:** Charles Hoffman asked the Board why we send our buses to Denver to be fixed when Limon has three very good mechanic shops here. Jason stated that only one is certified to work on the school buses and in the past when we have sent the buses there for repair they would come back to us with the same problems. Joel stated that we use a shop in Byers not Denver and that we still have most oil changes done in Limon.

**Action Items:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading of Revised Policy IKF**

Sharon Newsom moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of revised Policy IKF, Graduation Requirements, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**Spring Break**

Jack Horner moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the date change for Spring Break on the 2013-2014 Limon School Calendar from the week of March 17<sup>th</sup> to the week of March 24<sup>th</sup>. The motion passed unanimously.

**3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading of 2013-2014 Calendar**

Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the 2013-2014 Limon School Calendar as presented. The motion passed with four ayes and one no.

**3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading of Salary Schedule**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the presented salary schedule. The motion passed unanimously.

**Superintendent's Contract**

Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the contract for Dave Marx as Superintendent. The motion passed unanimously.

**Secondary Principal's Contract**

Sharon Newsom moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the contract for Traci Weisensee as Secondary Principal. Jason stated that they would add vacation time to her contract. Kim Trujillo stated that we have never given someone on an 11month contract vacation time. The Board asked about Mr. Albers' vacation time and Kim stated that he is on a 12 month contract because of summer school. The motion passed unanimously.

**Elementary Principal/Bus Director's Contract**

Jack Horner moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the contract for Joel Albers as Elementary Principal and Bus Director. The motion passed unanimously.

**Athletic Director**

Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the contract for Dirk Pedersen as Athletic Director. The motion passed unanimously.

**Counselor**

Jack Horner moved and Russell Lengel seconded the motion to approve the contract for Shirelle Bandy as School Counselor. The motion passed with four ayes and Jason Bandy abstaining.

**Memorandum of Understanding**

Jack Horner moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the memorandum of understanding with Lincoln County Public Health as presented. Dave stated that they would like to use the Activities Building as an alternative point of distribution location in case of an emergency. The motion passed unanimously.

**School Closure**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the school closure on April 9<sup>th</sup> due to bad weather. The motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Session**

Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to go into an Executive Session in accordance with CRS24-6-402(4)(e) for strategies at 8:04pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Out of Executive Session**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Russell Lengel seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to come out of an Executive Session at 8:40pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Future Business:**

Work Session – Monday, May 13, 2013 at 6:00pm in the High School Library

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, May 13, 2013 the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library

**Adjournment:**

At 8:42pm Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.