

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION LIMON SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4J Limon, Colorado

Regular KIND OF MEETING	Media Center MEETING PLACE	7:00 p.m. TIME	December MONTH	12 DAY	2016 YEAR
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Troy Jaklich  
PRESIDING OFFICER

Jason Bandy  
MEMBER

Craig Bailey  
VICE CHAIRMAN

Dave Marx  
SUPERINTENDENT

Mike Hines  
TREASURER

Wendy Pottorff  
SECRETARY

- Roll Call:** The regular Board of Education meeting of Limon School District RE-4J was called to order by Board President Troy Jaklich at 7:01pm. Roll call reflected that all Board members were present.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Reciting the Pledge of Allegiance was added to the agenda. Everyone stood and recited the pledge.
- Mission Statement:** Craig Bailey read the district mission statement.
- Agenda:** Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the agenda for December 12, 2016 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- School Officials:** Dave Marx, Joel Albers, Traci Weisensee, Dirk Pedersen
- Audience:** Kim Steinhart, Emily Rudder, Zach Churchwell, Charles Hoffman and Kelly Packer
- Minutes:** Wendy Pottorff moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of November 21, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.
- Audience Participation:** None
- Financial Reports:** Troy asked Kim how the sweep was working. Kim stated that the bank notified her that the minimum amount was too low in the checking account and there are only so many times money can be moved from the money market account. They want the minimum moved from \$50,000 up to \$75,000. She thought we would have made more but is happy with how it's working. Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for November of 2016 in the amount of \$348,969.92. Jason read the breakdown. The motion passed unanimously. Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the Capital Reserve expenditures for November of 2016 in the amount of \$25,166.00. This is for the track payment; \$60,000 of which is from donations. The motion passed unanimously.
- Education Reports:**
- FBLA Report:** Zach Churchwell gave the FBLA report. They decided to sell the small basketballs for the Shoot for the Loot fundraiser during home basketball games at 1 ball for \$1 or 6 balls for \$5. They will write numbers on them and have a table in the foyer to sell them. Jason asked if they were going to give the balls at the time they sell them. He can see that being a problem if kids buy them at the start of the girls' game and have to hold on to them until half time of the boys game. Zach stated they didn't think of that. Maybe they could give out tickets and then 2 minutes before half time they could turn in the tickets for a ball. They will be having a Christmas lunch meeting on Thursday. After break they will be practicing their live event performances in front of classmates. There are currently 25 registered members for the local chapter.
- STUCO Report:** None Given
- FFA Report:** Emily Rudder gave the FFA report. Topper was helping to get the float ready for the Parade of Lights. On November 28<sup>th</sup> they helped bring down all the Christmas trees from the attic of the Limon Senior Center. She took the Aquaculture class on a field trip to Alamosa's Colorado Gator Farm on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. They bought 300 tilapias and toured their facility. They hosted the Limon Chamber of Commerce meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>. On December 9<sup>th</sup> they picked their junior officers; President is Amy Weisensee, Vice President is Mahalie Owens, Secretary is Morgan Cunningham and Treasurer is Kaitlyn Contreras. On December 12<sup>th</sup> they took 6 students to compete at the District X speaking contest at Miami Yoder high school. They all did very well. Amy Weisensee received a gold and 1<sup>st</sup> in Creed Speaking and will be representing our district at the State FFA convention in June. They will have a float at the Parade of Lights on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

On December 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> 7 officers will be attending their mid-year retreat in Denver where they will continue to team build and review to better the next semester.

**Staff Presentation:** None Given

**Elementary Principal Report** (stated report was in the packet)

Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report. We currently have 225 students enrolled. Our attendance rate continues to be above our goal of 95%. Teachers have begun the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of mandatory assessments using DIBELS. Mrs. Eurich had a science webinar with Pearson and staff today. The elementary participated in the annual tree walk at the Senior Center on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. He encouraged everyone to go and take a look at all the trees. The Christmas program, “The Reindeer Rebellion”, will be tomorrow night at 7pm in the Activities Building. Christmas parties will be Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am and we will have an early release that day at 11:30 am. He thanked Bethany Aspegren for student teaching in the elementary this last quarter. She was with Tammy LeValley the first quarter and then in Mrs. Brossart’s class the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. She will be subbing for us 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

**Secondary Principal Report** (stated report was in the packet)

Mrs. Weisensee highlighted items from her report. Currently there are 244 students enrolled in the secondary. Both the middle school and high school attendance rates are above our goal of 95%. She is curious about what our numbers will look like next semester. She knows there will be 6 to 8 students checking out and at least 3 enrolling. She congratulated Miss Blandford and Mr. Scherrer for the excellent concert last week. She had a grandparent who drove 2 hours to watch their grandkids tell her how impressed they were with the concert. Also, Miss Blandford’s college professor has given Mr. Scherrer feedback and praise. They are still working on the social studies textbooks. It should be around \$9,000. Finals are this week. Those middle school students that are exempt will either go to the bowling alley or the gym. She thanked Hoffman Drug for their monthly drawing supporting local teachers. So far Mrs. Eurich, Ms. Bellefeuille and Mrs. Rockwell have received \$50 for classroom supplies. Mary hasn’t given her the numbers for students enrolled in MCC classes for next semester. She expects it will be lower than 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

**Accountability:**

Joel stated they met on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> in the FFA classroom. Emily gave a Career and Tech Ed report and discussed her ICAPs. Administration discussed the School Performance Framework and showed the Randa evaluation video. They adjourned around 8pm.

**Athletic Department Report:** (stated report was in the packet)

Mr. Pedersen highlighted items from his report. The following boys were picked for All Conference Awards; 1<sup>st</sup> team – Braden Kappel, Kaden Larson, Brett Brewer, Zane Carpenter, Hauk Hubbard and Cole Younger; Honorable Mention – Javier Zamora. He included the current records for the middle school and high school basketball teams. Middle school boys basketball will only have four more games after Christmas break. There were 23 teams participating in the Badger Wrestling Invitational on December 10<sup>th</sup>. They usually have 30 teams but he and Kyle decided to only invite 25 to make it more manageable. He gave a shout out to all the volunteers that help make all our events run. The Board asked how the Craft Fair went that was held the same day. Jason stated that it seemed well attended. The After Prom made \$1,600 selling spots for the Craft Fair. The Cheerleaders placed 9<sup>th</sup> at State Spirit and the Dance team placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Board Reports:**

Wendy and Craig attended the CASB convention in the Springs. There were great speakers and good breakout sessions. There is an abundance of BEST money available and they were encouraged to spread the word to districts that have maintenance repairs or projects to contact the BEST people. They discussed the Governor’s new budget which no one is very happy about. Craig attended a session on salaries and learned that all but 6 counties are paying their teachers less than the average salary. He also attended a session on school safety. The Day at the Capital for CASB members is March 8<sup>th</sup>. They are picking a different day for students to go. The National School Board Convention will be held in Denver this year in March.

Jason asked why the band concert is in the small gym instead of the Activities Building. Traci thought it might be because of the sound system but she wasn’t sure and would ask Mr. Scherrer. Troy asked Dirk if the scoreboards weren’t working in the Activities Building. Dirk stated they weren’t working, but now have a replacement part and they are working.

**Superintendent’s Report:**

Mr. Marx highlighted items from his Board report. Jay Ireland told him that the construction documents will be done the first part of January than we can put this work out to bid. Coulter Bump received a letter from OCR that officially closed the case against Limon Schools. Coulter

thanked the efforts made by Haselden to correct the issues in the building to meet OCR standards. Mike Foster from DH Pace Door Services Group was out to measure for the roll down gate in the gym. We received the prices and will go ahead with one of the roll down doors. Troy asked if they figured out the venting that is smelling up the building. Mike asked if they have the venting above the IA figured out. Dave stated they are still working on it. Craig stated that the SAC meeting with a Board member at BOCES is on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Jason thought he would be able to attend this. Dave included a BOCES handout on areas they support.

**Action Items:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading of Revised Policy JICA**

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of revised policy JICA, student dress code as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**1st Reading of Revised Policy BEDB**

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of revised policy BEDB, Agenda, as presented. The Pledge of Allegiance was added as 3.0 and the second audience participation was removed. The motion passed unanimously.

**Mill Levy Resolution**

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the Mill Levy resolution as presented. Mills are up from last year but the assessments are down. The General Fund is 21.824 mills and the Bond Redemption Fund is 9.665 mills. The motion passed unanimously.

**Lease Agreement**

Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the lease agreement between Limon Public Schools and PNC Equipment Finance for \$50,000 to pay the balance of the track project. The motion passed unanimously.

**Revised Teaching Contracts**

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the revised teaching contracts as presented. This is to bring everyone up to their pay scale. The revised contracts were for Sandi Pedersen, Judy Cummings, Kim Brossart, Teresa Monks, Kelly Packer, Rocky Rockwell, Dirk Pedersen, Linnea Zeschin, Stacy Larson, Becky Frank, Tammy LeValley and Sharon Hansen. The motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Session**

Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to go into an Executive Session in accordance with CRS24-6-402(4)(f) for personnel discussion at 7:58 pm. The Board asked Dave, Joel and Traci to stay for a few minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**Out of Executive Session**

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to come out of an Executive Session at 10:39 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Future Business:**

Work Session – Monday, January 16, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Limon School Media Center

Next School Board Meeting – Monday, January 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Limon School Media Center

**Adjournment:**

At 10:40 pm Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

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Jill Bull, Clerk to the Board of Education

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

President: \_\_\_\_\_  
Troy Jaklich