

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

Regular	Media Center	7:00 p.m.	January	17	2017
KIND OF MEETING	MEETING PLACE	TIME	MONTH	DAY	YEAR

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 7:02pm. Roll call reflected that all Board members were present.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Everyone stood and recited the pledge.
- Mission Statement:** Joel Albers read the district mission statement.
- Agenda:** Jason Bandy moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda for January 16, 2017 adding 12.6b, executive session; 12.11 1st reading of revised policy JJH; and 12.12, approve coach. The motion passed unanimously.
- School Officials:** Dave Marx, Joel Albers, Traci Weisensee, Dirk Pedersen
- Audience:** Kim Steinhart, Emily Rudder, Zach Churchwell, Charles Hoffman, Kelly Packer, Topper Parker, Gary Lewman and Kirsten Tacha
- Minutes:** Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of December 12, 2016. The motion passed unanimously.
- Audience Participation:** None
- Financial Reports:** Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for December of 2016 in the amount of \$299,315.57. The motion passed unanimously.
- Education Reports:**
- FBLA Report:** Zach Churchwell gave the FBLA report. Someone has made a basket for their shoot for the loot at every game but one so far. Sean Steinhart will be singing the National Anthem at District FBLA. About half the members have taken their tests which are due by Friday. They want to expand volunteering at the theater to more than just this month. They take tickets, sell the candy and soda, are then able to watch the movie and then they clean the theater and bathrooms. Traci stated that she appreciates the kids helping out at the theater. Troy asked Zach to talk about the projects for districts. Zach stated some of the projects are 3D animation, a financial report, setting up a family center, short film cartoon, business plan and job interview.
- STUCO Report:** None Given
- FFA Report:** Topper Parker gave the FFA report. He went over what they have been doing the last couple of months. During Christmas break the chapter offices had a two day retreat in Denver at the Renaissance Hotel. They focused on things that went well and the things need to be improved. They went to a movie and tried to go to the Zoo Lights but they couldn't find a place to park their bus. They put on workshops for Mrs. Eurich's classes that taught elementary students the process of how dairy products get from farm to table. They did an activity where they made butter by putting heavy whipping cream in a ziplock bag and shook them. They had their first parliamentary procedure practice. They watched a video of the National winning team. The intro to Ag class is practicing for the quiz bowl. They are going to the Stock Show on Wednesday. They will have a scavenger hunt at the Stock Show which will include asking questions and even taking pictures with participants. They will have Career Development Events workdays to practice for different competitions. The district quiz bowl and district officer interview will be February 8th. Their Chapter banquet is on April 20th.
- Emily Rudder talked to the Board about CIRD which is Citizen's Institute on Rural Design. They are holding a workshop in Limon on February 27th through March 1st and asking the community for input on signage and new trails. Wendy suggested they invite the hotel owners. Emily stated they

have been invited and have flyers. She is involved because FFA will be helping putting the signs up and making the trails.

Staff Presentation: None Given

Elementary Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)

Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report. We currently have 229 students enrolled. He included a grade level DIBELS report; which he discussed with the Board during the work session. He tried to print out a report from Teaching Strategies Gold but the only report he could find just said that we met our indicators. Mrs. Newsom will be going on maternity leave the end of January or beginning of February. He welcomed back Debbie Thieman, who will be her long term sub. He and Jill Coonts will be attending an Imagine Learning Training tomorrow at BOCES. Pinnacle Partner will be towing Limon Schools on Monday, January 30th. They will be meeting with administration and visiting classrooms and finding out the challenges our rural school has. The Board asked him who Pinnacle Partners were. He didn't know and said that Don Anderson picked the schools for them to visit.

Secondary Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)

Mrs. Weisensee highlighted items from her report. Currently there are 242 students enrolled in the secondary. Both the middle school and high school attendance rates are above our goal of 95%. They are using Colorado Digital Learning Solutions for online courses. They offer this as credit recovery. She's learned that during the school year the cost is \$100 but during the summer the cost is \$200 so she is trying to let parents know this. Mrs. Larson is meeting with parents of gifted and talented students to go over Advanced Learning plans. Mrs. Bandy and Mrs. Bailey are administering the WIDA test which is the English language proficiency test. There are currently 26 students in SPED; 12 in high school and 14 in middle school. There were 32 students at the start of the year. She asked the Board if she could advertise for a foreign language teacher. They agreed she could try to find someone. Traci congratulated Mrs. Larson for being selected as an outstanding STEM educator. She was nominated by a former student. She included the percentage of students on the Honor Roll. Cole Younger was on MCC's President's list. He had to have a 4.0 GPA and be enrolled in at least 12 credits. Mrs. Hansen will be at the February School Board meeting to go over the senior sneak trip.

Accountability:

Joel stated their next meeting will be February 6th.

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

Mr. Pedersen highlighted items from his report. He went over the basketball records. This is the final week for boys' middle school basketball. High school wrestling will be finishing their regular season on February 4th. Regionals will be in Sterling on February 10th and 11th and State will be at the Pepsi Center on February 16th, 17th and 18th. Only about half the participants showed up for the January 6th Limon speech meet because of the weather. They will be hosting speech and sweets on January 23rd and then participate at the State Speech festival on January 27th and 28th. Middle school wrestling starts next Monday. Tom and Zeb cut the bottoms off the brace of the backboards in the Activities Building. He has been contacted by Aaron at the Dental Place. They would like to donate to a project for the gyms. Dirk was thinking of the concession stand. They want to make a significant donation and have their name on the project.

Board Reports:

Craig he was part Don Anderson's BOCES director evaluation. Don will be retiring after next school year. Moira will be retiring at the end of this school year. He also stated that LEF received a generous donation from the John Rohr Estate. Wendy will be attending the legislative convention on February 23rd and 24th. Troy talked to the new wind project and they would like to donate some money to the school. He was thinking of the concession stand. He asked if Tom and Zeb can paint the ceiling of the Activities Building. Dave will ask. Jason is concerned about kids throwing basketballs in the foyer with the new trophy cases that were built. They discussed all the items that are still in the bus barn and what they should do with it all. They talked about selling it and/or taking it to the dump on the free dump day.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Marx highlighted items from his Board report. Jay Ireland will have the construction documents done next week. The committee will have a meeting with Jay to go over them on January 24th. After the committee approves them, the project will go out for bids. Jay Hoskinson is helping with the BEST application for the roof project. Dave has contacted CAVE Consulting Group to get a price for this project. We would have to match the grant. Only charter schools are

exempt from matching. Tom told him the roll down door for the Event Center should be here next week.

Action Items:

2nd and Final Reading of Revised Policy BEDB

Craig Bailey moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the 2nd and final reading of revised policy BEDB, Agenda as presented. Charles Hoffman asked if the new policy was getting rid of the educational reports. Craig stated that it isn't, it is just giving us more leeway to put them in whatever order we would like instead of having to revise the policy each time. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Reading of 2017-2018 School Calendar

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the 1st reading of the 2017-2018 school calendar. The Board chose the A and B calendar with the idea the principals will ask the staff which calendar they like. The motion passed unanimously.

Posting Place Resolution

Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the resolution designating the posting place for public meetings as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Amended 2016-2017 Budget

Wendy Pottorff moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the amended 2016-2017 Limon Public School budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget Resolution

Craig Bailey moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the amended appropriation resolution with \$5,852,625 in the General Fund, \$92,095 in the Insurance Reserve Fund, \$87,024 in the Pres-School Fund, \$154,569 in the Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund, \$2,257,941 in the Bond Fund, \$25,000 in the Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund, \$1,505,103 in the Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund, \$205,625 in the Food Serve Fund and \$390,000 in the Agency Fund for a total appropriation of the \$10,569,982. The motion passed unanimously.

Teacher Contract

Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the teaching contract for Melissa Blandford as elementary music and secondary choir teacher. She was a student teacher the first semester and now has her teaching license. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff 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 8:06 pm. The Board asked Dave to stay. They asked Joel to step in for the last 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 8:28 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Elementary Principal/Bus Director Contract

Craig Bailey moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the elementary principal/bus director contract for Joel Albers as presented. He will get the same raise as the staff did. The motion passed unanimously.

Secondary Principal Contract

Wendy Pottorff moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the secondary principal contract for Traci Weisensee as presented. Traci asked if the item they had discussed was fixed. The Board stated that it was. The motion passed unanimously.

FY2016 Audit

Wendy Pottorff moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the amendment to the lease agreement with PNC Equipment Finance. This is for the track payment. Our attorney looked over the contract and wanted to add the amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Reading of Revised Policy JJH

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the revised policy JJH, Student Travel as presented. This is adding the need for at least two coaches/sponsors/chaperones to any overnight trips. The motion passed unanimously.

Coach

Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve Daniel Kappel as volunteer middle school wrestling coach. The motion passed unanimously.

Future Business: Work Session – Monday, February 20, 2017 at 4:15pm in the Limon School Media Center
Next School Board Meeting – Monday, February 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Limon School Media Center

Adjournment: Craig asked the Board if the April School Board Meeting could change because he will not be in town of April 17th. The Board decided to change the April meeting to April 10th. At 8:36 pm Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Jill Bull, Clerk to the Board of Education

Approved: _____
Date

President: _____
Troy Jaklich