

# 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	March MONTH	13 DAY	2017 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 7:26pm. Roll call reflected that all Board members were present.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Everyone stood and recited the pledge.
- Mission Statement:** Craig Bailey read the district mission statement.
- Agenda:** Craig Bailey moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the agenda for March 13, 2017 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- School Officials:** Dave Marx, Joel Albers, Traci Weisensee, Dirk Pedersen
- Audience:** Emily Rudder, Zach Churchwell, Gary Lewman and Greg Tacha
- Minutes:** Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of February 20, 2017 removing the sentence ‘the board asked Dave to stay’ from the Executive session. The motion passed unanimously.
- Audience Participation:** Gary Lewman talked to the Board about women not being allowed to act during Shakespear’s era so they used teenaged boys. He also brought pi shaped donuts to share with the school staff to celebrate Pi day tomorrow.  
Greg Tacha thanked Mr. Pedersen for not scheduling any basketball games during State wrestling this year and he appreciated all the Limon people that came out to cheer on our wrestlers.
- Financial Reports:** Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for February of 2017 in the amount of \$359,855.04 and the Capital Reserve expenditures for February of 2017 in the amount of \$3,600.00. Jason read the breakdown. Dave stated that a portion of the payables was half of our BOCES payment. They provide a lot of services to the school. This payment may go down depending on what happens with Title. Dave stated we are up \$300,000 plus cash wise from last year. Also, he and Kim have stated working on the beginning balance for next year. There was a discussion regarding the Renner payment for \$3,600. It said on the bill that this was for the upgrade but the Board didn’t know what upgrade this was for. Kim read an email she received from them and they figured out that this was the balance owed after the \$50,000 that was financed and \$2,400 that went to Bart. Troy asked Traci and Joel about new books being ordered. Traci stated that she won’t get a new social studies series until they have hired someone to take over for Mr. Ayers. Joel stated they are pursuing science and social studies which will be under the budgeted amount and they are looking at new reading series for next year. The motion passed unanimously.
- Education Reports:**
- FBLA Report:** Zach Churchwell gave the FBLA report. They are currently selling cabbage pockets as a fundraiser. They will make and deliver them on April 7<sup>th</sup>. There are 17 members competing at State on April 19<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>.
- STUCO Report:** None Given
- FFA Report:** Emily Rudder gave the FFA report. The week of February 20<sup>th</sup> was FFA Week. On Wednesday they passed the duck to about 20 businesses. They needed to answer 3 questions. If they answered the 1<sup>st</sup> one correctly the duck left, if they answered the 2<sup>nd</sup> one correctly it wouldn’t come back and if they answered the 3<sup>rd</sup> one correctly they could send it to a business of their chose. Thursday they saw almost 200 K-8 students in the ag room, shop, aquaculture building and at the petting zoo. She thanked Kelsey Pope for coming in to read for the Cattlewomen. February 27<sup>th</sup> through March 1<sup>st</sup> they participated in the CIRD workshop. This was a good opportunity for the kids to wee the

process and help design signs and give their input. March 8<sup>th</sup> were the state degree review and parliamentary procedure. Kaleb Gaede and Kyle Rudder have state degrees. Our team won 1<sup>st</sup> place for the parliamentary procedure. They will compete at state in June. If they win there, they will compete at Nationals.

**Staff Presentation:** None Given

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

Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report. We currently have 244 students which is more than the secondary. This doesn't happen very often. Our attendance rate is still above our goal of 95%. Students are currently taking the MAPS tests. Everything seems to be going well so far. We haven't had any technology issues. The 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders will start the PARCC testing on April 3<sup>rd</sup> than the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will take the CMAS test starting April 17<sup>th</sup>. Summer school will run from July 10<sup>th</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup>. This is Monday through Friday from 8am to 11am. Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for April 7<sup>th</sup>. He is expecting 34 or 35 kindergartners for next year. March 2<sup>nd</sup> was Read Across America Day and the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School. He thanked Charlie for helping make 1995 technology work for their interactive Green Eggs and Ham story. We also had parent teacher conferences that evening. He congratulated Mr. Love and the elementary students for raising \$10,606.50 for the American Heart Association. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest total raised so far. 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report cards will be sent home on Thursday.

**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. The secondary attendance rate combined is above our goal of 95%. She listed upcoming events. Miss Sauter took kids to the Capital on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Traci asked Wendy Pottorff, who also went, to talk about their trip. Wendy stated it went great. They got to sit on the Senate floor for an hour and a half and listen in on a discussion about women and how some believe at least one woman should be on the Board. It was high energy and they voted then they were able to hear the roll call and how they voted. Traci stated that 80 parents signed in for parent teacher conferences. Mrs. Frasier wanted to thank the Board for allowing her to teach a class for her master degree. She congratulated Dirk for his selection as the Colorado Athletic Director Association's 2A Athletic Administrator of the Year. Also, she congratulated the middle and high school choir and bad for their spring concert. 26 kids competed at the science fair in Hugo. The state qualifiers are Sean Steinhart, Seth Beedy, Paige Beey and Trista Marx and Kory Tacha and CJ Caton. Ellie Brave Eagle got honorable mention. The middle school National Junior Honor Society will be volunteering on March 16<sup>th</sup> at eh local food bank to unload and disperse food from 7:45am to 9am.

**Accountability:**

Joel stated that their final meeting for the school year will be April 24<sup>th</sup>.

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

Mr. Pedersen highlighted items from his report. The winter season has wrapped up. He gave the high school basketball records. Both the girls and boys lost during regionals. Anna Weisensee, Toni Lopez and Cannan Bennett were selected to the 1<sup>st</sup> team high school basketball all league. Amy Weisensee and Zane Carpenter were selected honorable mention. Kaleb Gaede was selected to the 2A All State Wrestling team. There are between 18 and 21 kids out for baseball. Their first game is tomorrow at Kiowa. There are about 30 kids out for high school track and about the same for middle school track. Joel shared a voicemail he received from a concerned Denver citizen about one of our buses driving the wrong way down a one way street. This was during State wrestling. He had heard about it. They turned down the wrong road and figured it out about half way down the block.

**Board Reports:**

Wendy stated that she and Dave went to the winter legislative conference. They discussed the teacher shortage and the budget shortfall. They are predicting \$165million in budget cut for the next school year. The governor is trying to get that money back by increasing the marijuana taxes and from the senior citizen tax exemptions. The Colorado Fiscal Institute has a good video that explains Gallagher. She and Craig will be attending one day of the National School Board Association conference. She also attended the FFA Advisory meeting.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Marx highlighted items from his Board report. Don Anderson has a meeting with districts to see if there was an interest in starting an alternative school again. The districts on the west end are wanting one for their elementary students where the central and east side would like one for secondary students. Strasburg has an alternative school for secondary students called Prairie Creek. Traci visited the school. It is not part of Strasburg school but is in one of their classrooms. It would

cost our PPOR to place a student there. She didn't think it was feasible because they would not be there a full 8 hours. The Board asked if our students going to Tennyson would be able to go to an alternative school instead. Traci stated that not at the moment. Tennyson likes to have at least a year with those students. It would be a good chose for the students that are done at Tennyson. Dave thanked Mr. Scherrer and Ms. Blandford for all their work preparing their students for the spring concert.

**Action Items:**

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

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of revised policy IKF, graduation requirements, as presented. Traci asked Kathy Shannon, CASB legal and policy counsel, to look over both the graduation requirement policies. She made a couple of changes to some of the wording. The motion passed unanimously.

**2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading of New Policy IKF-2 and IKF-2-E**

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of new policies IKF-2 and IKF-2-E, graduation requirements starting with the class of 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

**2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading of Revised and New Policies**

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the following new and revised policies –

BCB	School Board Member Conflict of Interest
BEDF	Voting Method
BID/BIE	School Board Member Compensation/Expenses/Insurance/Liability
DAC	Federal Fiscal Compliance ( <b>NEW POLICY</b> )
DJB	Federal Procurement ( <b>NEW POLICY</b> )
DJB-R	Federal Procurement ( <b>NEW REGULATION</b> )
DKC	Expense Authorization/Reimbursement
GBEA	Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest
JRCB	Privacy & Protection of Confidential Student Information ( <b>NEW POLICY</b> )
JRCB-R	Privacy & Protection of Confidential Student Information ( <b>NEW REGULATION</b> )

These mainly deal with federally funded programs such as the food program, Title and Perkins. The motion passed unanimously.

**Late Start**

Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the late start of school on March 1<sup>st</sup> because of the icy road conditions. Troy asked how that went. Dave said it let the roads melt a little and let the custodians to work on the roads and sidewalks. Traci stated that it went smoothly even though that was the science fair in Hugo. They adjusted their judging so Limon kids could go last. The motion passed unanimously.

**Coaches**

Mike Hines moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve Brady Scherrer, Whitney Sandersfeld and Don Schmidt as volunteer assistant track coaches. The motion passed unanimously.

**Accept Resignations**

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to accept the letter of resignation from Annette Andersen as 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher starting the 2017-2018 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

**Locker Room Construction Company Bid**

Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the locker room construction company bid of Structures Unlimited in the amount of \$1,122,400. Dave stated that he likes to keep this local and a part of the community. The motion passed unanimously.

**Evaluation Form**

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the superintendent's evaluation form as presented. Troy asked how Dave likes the new form. Dave stated that it is different than in the past. BOCES uses this same one and it makes you think and reflect. Troy thinks its cleaner and more concise. The motion passed unanimously.

**Superintendent’s Evaluation**

Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the superintendent’s annual performance evaluation. Troy stated that he has a follow-up meeting with Dave on the 27<sup>th</sup> and that he liked the new form which he felt let them have a better dialogue. The motion passed unanimously.

**Future Business:**

Special Board Meeting – Monday, March 27, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Limon School Media Center

Work Session – Monday, April 10, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Limon School Media Center

Next School Board Meeting – Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Limon School Media Center

**Adjournment:**

At 8:43pm Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey 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