

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

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| Regular | Cafeteria | 7:00 p.m. | November | 24 | 2015 |
| 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 Russell Lengel at 7:00 p.m. Roll call reflected that all Board members were present including the two newly elected Board member.

Mission Statement: Bart O'Dwyer read the district mission statement.

Agenda: Craig Bailey moved and Troy Jaklich seconded the motion to approve the agenda for November 23, 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

School Officials: Dave Marx, Joel Albers, Traci Weisensee, Dirk Pedersen

Audience: Chuck Jordan, Dan Bates, Charles Hoffman, Gary Lewman, Mercedes McCue, Greg Tacha, James Gillis, JJ Weber and Les Layton

Minutes: Bart O'Dwyer moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of October 19, 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Certification of Votes: Craig Bailey moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the certification of votes cast from Lincoln and Elbert County on the November 3, 2015 election and to certify the election of Directors of the Board of Education for four year terms and for the Secretary of the Board of Education to deliver a Certificate of Election to each elected candidate and forward a copy of each certificate to the Colorado Department of Education.

Swearing in: Judge Lee Fisher swore in Jason Bandy and Mike Hines as new Board members.

Election of Officers: Mike Hines nominated and Troy Jaklich seconded the nomination of Troy Jaklich to the office of President of Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously. Russell and Bart left the meeting and Troy took over.

Wendy Pottorff nominated and Mike Hines seconded the nomination of Craig Bailey to the office of Vice President of Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Craig Bailey nominated and Jason Bandy seconded the nomination of Wendy Pottorff to the office of Secretary of Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Wendy Pottorff nominated and Craig Bailey seconded the nomination of Mike Hines to the office of Treasurer of Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Wendy Pottorff nominated and Troy Jaklich seconded the nomination of Craig Bailey as the BOCES Representative from Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Wendy Pottorff nominated and Craig Bailey seconded the nomination of Jason Bandy as the Alternate BOCES Representative from Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Craig Bailey nominated and Wendy Pottorff seconded the nomination of Wendy Pottorff as the CASB Delegate from Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Mike Hines nominated and Wendy Pottorff seconded the nomination of Craig Bailey and Troy Jaklich as the Limon Education Foundation Representatives from Limon School District RE-4J Board of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Action Item: Haselden Change Order #15

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve Haselden's construction change order #15 for \$3,101.29. Dan went over the change order in the work session. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation:

Cheryl Clanin told the Board that the class of 1962 would like to purchase a large picture of a badger for the empty space on the wall of the stairway by the cafeteria. They wanted to purchase a metal badger made by Ian and Tara Christie. The cost would \$2,500 for a 12' x 3' or 4'. It would be made up of 3 different parts so it could be installed easier. The Christies would absorb \$500 of the cost but Cheryl thought that her class would have a hard time coming up with the \$2,000. She found a company that would make a sticker for \$1,250 which would include installation. Troy asked Cheryl how much her class would commit to. She was not sure. It was discussed that maybe other classes could help. Dan Bates thought a sticker would be best because he didn't thin the framing could hold a lot of weight. Charles Hoffman stated that he would like to see something steel and to look at local businesses to donate. Troy asked if it could be hung from the ceiling. Dan stated that we would need to see how much it weighs. Troy asked Cheryl to find out from Tara how much it would weigh. Charles stated that it shouldn't weigh more than 180 lbs. Dan stated that if that was the weight we could hang in on the wall with plenty of brackets to distribute the weight.

Financial Reports:

Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for October of 2015 in the amount of \$508,983.27. Jason read the breakdown. Troy asked Kim about the food service fund. Kim stated that throughout the school year she transfers money from the general fund into the lunch fund as needed and then transfers that money back into the general fund at the end of the year. They discussed having a work session to discuss the budget. It was decided that they would meet on December 8th at 4pm in the conference room by Dave's office. The motion passed unanimously

Education Reports:

Elementary Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)

Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report. We currently have 235 elementary students enrolled. The attendance rate is above our goal of 95%. Our 2nd and 3rd graders are taking the CogAT test. This is an assessment for identifying gifted and talented students. In the past it was only the 3rd grade that took the test. BOCES recommended that we test our 2nd graders and a middle school grade. Since last year's 2nd graders didn't take the test we tested both the 2nd and 3rd grade this year. He and Traci are a part of BOCES Professional Learning Community (PLC) on measures of student learning. Jill Coonts is heading up a schoolwide PLC which is working on data teams, Jody Church webinars and Promethean Boards. The Scholastic Book Fair was a big success even with our snow day. He thanked Mardelle Martin and all the volunteers who helped make it a success.

Secondary Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)

Mrs. Weisensee highlighted items from her report. There are 263 students currently enrolled in the secondary. The attendance rate is above our goal of 95%. She thanked TA for donating five gift cards for a random drawing for parents that attended parent/teacher conferences. She spoke with the manager of TA and he would like to be more involved with the school. She thanked Valarie Bass for donating \$560 for last year's secondary teachers to attend the spring CCIRA conference. She went over the proposed Colorado menu of college and career-ready demonstrations. We currently use the ACT, PARCC and SAT. They are going to include the ASVAB test. She included a list of our current textbooks with the copyright date and their condition. She would like to start looking at new math textbooks for the secondary. Troy asked if she could provide a list of the cost for everything. She also included a testing schedule for the spring tests. Limon was selected for the 7th grade social studies test this year. She provided the Board with the 1st draft of the winter finals schedule. We won't have any exemptions on the tests this year because we haven't received the results of the spring testing. Limon hosted a gifted and talented event on October 23rd with 100+ elementary students participating. Kennedy Masterson is a HOBY Leadership candidate. All sophomores will take the ASVAB on November 30th.

Accountability:

Joel stated that the next meeting will be December 7th.

Staff Report:

Mrs. Weinsensee asked Mr. Rockwell to let the Board know what he is doing in his classroom. Rocky went over all the computer skills he is teaching in his classroom. They start out with typing skills. He goes over word processing, internet skills, slide shows, publisher, excel, access, gmail, and goggle docs. He tries to work with the other middle school teachers to help out with what they are learning or projects they are doing in their classrooms. He also does different awards such as Perfect Effort Award for being prepared for class.

STUCO Report: (none given)

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

Dirk Pedersen highlighted items from his report. They are now transitioning from fall sports to winter sports. Volleyball finished with a 20-6 record and finished 2nd at the District 4 tournament and were the Regional H Champions. They made their first State appearance since 1994. Kerriana Tatum was selected honorable mention All-League. Jayci Hollenbaugh, Riley Andersen and Abby Hilferty were selected 1st team All-League. Brooke Smith was selected honorable mention All-Conference for softball and Kora Houder was selected 1st team All-Conference and honorable mention All-State. There are 26 boys out for high school basketball and 16 girls. There are 7 out for high school wrestling. Mikaela Taylor qualified for State Cross Country and finished 42nd. He updated the middle school basketball records. State spirit will be held on December 11th and 12th. This is the 25th anniversary of State Spirit so the finals for all cheer and dance will be performed on Saturday afternoon. The new athletic website is up and running.

FFA Report:

Mercedes McCue gave the FFA report. Eleven members attended the National Convention. There were excellent addresses and keynote speakers. They raised \$20,700 at their Hired Hand Auction. They used \$1,000 for projects, \$2,000 for the meal and donated \$1,400 to the Soldier Project. The Aquaculture class is experimenting with spawning fish. They just need to figure out how to keep the big fish from eating the 1,000 spawns. She also thanked the Board for providing a great education for her that has helped her to be a semifinalist for the BOETTCHER scholarship.

Board Reports:

Wendy stated that she, Mike and Craig will be going to the CASB convention in December. The Building a Better Colorado meeting was rescheduled to December 3rd at 5pm at the Community Building. She will forward the email to everyone.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Marx highlighted items from his report. The audit was completed on November 11th. Mike Dixon commended Kim for having everything ready for him. We've had a few issues with the building. The heaters weren't working after the snow storm but Tom and Les got them going. It's nice to have the skid steer to clear all the snow we've gotten. Traci is working on getting Bart's storage building cleaned out. Everything that they want to keep needs to be out of there by Wednesday.

Audience Participation: James Gillis read a statement to the Board regarding Float Day. He informed the school that one the locations for float building was the same place a person that was convicted of child abuse against one of his children. They changed the group going to that site they changed it to a group that had one of his other children. He informed Dave and Russell and talked to Mrs. Weinsensee. Charles Hoffman asked the Board to look at the policy about kids being able to carry non-prescription medication. He would like the 9th thru 12th graders to be able to carry 1 does of Advil with the stipulation that they can't share it with anyone else. Dave stated that we would check with CASB.

Action Items:

School Closures

Jason Bandy moved and Craig Bailey seconded the motion to approve the closure of school on November 11th and November 18th because of bad weather and road closures. The motion passed unanimously.

Teacher Resignation

Wendy Pottorff moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to accept the letter of resignation of Debbie Carr as elementary music teacher and secondary choir teacher starting December 18, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

Coach Resignation

Craig Bailey moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to accept the letter of resignation of Corinne Lengel as Jr/Sr play director. The motion passed unanimously.

MOU with Lincoln Cty Public Health

Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the memorandum of understanding with Lincoln County Public Health allowing them the use of the Activities Building in the event of a disaster. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution Authorizing Signing of Checks and Notes

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the resolution authorizing the signatures on the school's band accounts as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Transportation Handbook

Jason Bandy moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the Limon transportation department handbook as presented. Joel stated that this was a recommendation from the audit in March. He is also working on a parent handbook. After discussion it was decided that they would table this until corrections can be made. Craig would like the personnel portion pulled out and to look at a different way for drivers to pay their subs. Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to table approving the Limon transportation department handbook until the next Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to go into Executive Session in accordance with CRS24-6-4-2(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters at 8:33pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Out of Executive Session

Jason Bandy moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to come out of Executive Session at 9:35pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Lease Agreement

Craig Bailey moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to table the approval of the lease agreement between the school and Les and Jona Layton until the next Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Reading of Revised Policy GDBA-E

Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the 1st reading of revised policy GDBA-E, Classified Staff Pay Scales, as presented. Craig stated that the only change made was to the cooks to make them current with minimum wage. The motion passed unanimously,

Future Business:

Annual CASB Convention – December 2nd – 6th, 2015 at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs
Work Session – Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the Limon School Conference Room
Work Session – Wednesday, December 9, 2014 at 6:00pm in the Limon School Media Center
Next School Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Limon School Media Center

Adjournment:

At 9:40 p.m Craig Bailey moved and Jason Bandy 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