

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

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| Regular KIND OF MEETING | Choir Room MEETING PLACE | 7:00 p.m TIME | November MONTH | 12 DAY | 2018 YEAR |
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Craig Bailey
PRESIDING OFFICER

Troy Jaklich
MEMBER

Mike Hines
VICE CHAIRMAN

John McCleary
SUPERINTENDENT

Theron Perry
TREASURER

Wendy Pottorff
SECRETARY

- Roll Call:** The regular Board of Education meeting of Limon School District RE-4J was called to order by President Craig Bailey at 7:00pm. Roll call showed that all Board members were present.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Everyone stood and recited the pledge.
- Mission Statement:** Wendy Pottorff read the district mission statement.
- School Officials:** John McCleary, Traci Weisensee, Joel Albers, Dirk Pedersen
- Audience:** Gary Lewman, Kim Steinhart, Jill Bull and Sharon Hansen
- Agenda:** Theron Perry moved and Troy Jaklich seconded the motion to approve the agenda for November 12, 2018 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- Minutes:** Troy Jaklich moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes of November 12, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.
- Audience Participation:** Sharon Hansen gave a handout with preliminary numbers for senior sneak. They are planning on going April 11th to the 13th, 2019. There are currently 30 students going and 7 official sponsors. They have a beginning balance of \$15,500 in their account and expect to raise \$15,100. Their expected expenses are \$29,075. The sponsors are herself, her daughter Turin, Donny and Kandi Schmidt, Shawn and Carrie Bennett and Kelly Ruebesam.
- Education Reports:**
- FFA Report:** (none given)
Mrs. Weisensee stated that the FFA Hired Hand auction will be this Thursday evening. John stated that he and Wendy judged the Creed speech contest and thought the kids did a fantastic job. He also said that Emily did a great job organizing it.
- STUCO Report:** (none given)
- FBLA Report:** (none given)
- Staff Report:** (none given)
- Elementary Principal Report** (stated report was in the packet)
Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report. We currently have 206 students enrolled in the elementary. The attendance rate continues to be over the goal of 95%. The October parent teacher conferences went well. The Kindergarten and 5th grade had 100% of parents come. Teachers are still reaching out to parents and scheduling meetings. The 2nd grade will be taking the CogAT assessment on November 19th and 20th. This is to help identify the talent pool for any gifted and talented students. He congratulated Dante Nacke for graduating out of Mrs. Ashcraft's early reading intervention program. He, along with Charlie, Tom and John are participating in a week long NRA School Shield training at the school. There are also people from the sheriff's office, Limon PD, Hugo school and Hugo Marshall attending. This is a free training to help assess our school building's safety issues. This all came from when the Metcalfs started a fund raiser for vest for our officers. He included a flyer about the program. This week is the Scholastic Book Fair. He thanked Mardelle Martin and all her volunteers for making the book fair a success. The elementary will be decorating a tree at the Senior Center on November 29th. This is an annual tradition in the elementary. The elementary student council will be celebrating the 50th day of school on Wednesday with a dress up day.
The school vehicle review with CDE is scheduled for Thursday, December 6th.

Secondary Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)

Mrs. Weisensee highlighted items from her report. We currently have 267 students enrolled in the secondary. The attendance rate is above the goal of 95% in both the middle and high schools. There were 137 parents that signed in on both nights of parent teacher conferences. Having conferences in the evening both days has proven to have better attendance than the night and morning. She included a draft of the finals schedule. Math and English students who met expectations are exempt from finals. High school students can stay home during that test and middle school students will be going to the bowling alley. She attended the Principal Cluster on November 1st. The focus was on out of district enrollment, impact team data collection and English Language Learner professional development. Core teachers are now required to have English Language Learner professional development contact hours to renew their license. Miss Givan took 5 middle school students and 3 high school students to the Eastern Colorado Honor Choir Festival. Traci included a letter from the Colorado Parks and Wildlife confirming Limon School has no further obligations under the grant we received for the aquaculture program. She thanked Mr. Pedersen and the fall coaches and athletes on an outstanding fall season in all our sports. Miss Wagner and the FLBA hosted a Veteran's Day social on Friday, November 9th. John stated that there were only 3 or 4 vets that attended but he thought giving out the donuts to the veterans at the football game was great. Traci stated that Molly does this to get names and addresses of veterans to invite to their social each year hoping more attend. Bree Bandy was selected for her Voice of Democracy essay. Mikaela Taylor and Cannan Bennett are state finalists for the Wendy's Heisman award. We went over upcoming events and things happening in the counseling office. Shirelle held a Trade Fair with 14 local businesses on November 6th. They are thinking of doing this again in the spring so students can possibly apply for summer jobs. Mr. McCleary asked who decorated the door for Mr. Neibur. He thought that was a great idea. Traci said that the middle school did this for Josh and for Crystal Sorensen as veterans. Crystal will be taking the middle school students to the Limon Heritage Museum tomorrow.

Accountability:

Mr. McCleary stated that Brady Scherrer gave a great presentation on Safe Schools Initiative. The Limon State Patrol has 3 troopers that are trained in the curriculum. He believes there has been a great turn out for these meetings.

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

Mr. Pedersen highlighted items from his report. He gave the records for high school football, softball and volleyball. He thought the new volleyball play format at State went really well. The girls did a great job. There are about 26 out for high school girls basketball and 25 out for the boys. They both play their first games on November 30th. Teddy Bandy had 9 wrestlers come to the first meeting. Their first contest is on December 1st. Mikaela Taylor placed 41st, Kiersten Hold placed 97th and Bailee Reystead placed 100th at the State Cross Country meet on October 27th. The team finished 19th. Jerry Allen has 17 students participating in speech. Dirk still hasn't received their meet calendar yet. He thanked Craig Bailey for the volleyball and football history that he emailed to everyone. Mike Hines wanted to recognize Tim and Andrea Andersen for all the work they do broadcasting the games. They also thanked Dr. Fox for being at the football games. It's nice to have a doctor on the side lines in case any players are injured.

Financial Reports:

Theron Perry moved and Troy Jaklich seconded the motion to approve the General Fund, Insurance Reserve and Capital Reserve expenditures for October of 2018 in the amount of \$466,101.59. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Reports:

Wendy got a lot of information on grants from her commissioners meeting. There are a lot of different opportunities to get money or have workshops here for safety, health and education, preparedness and response for teachers and cyberbullying.

CASB Convention is on December 6th through the 9th. Wendy and Craig will be there. Mike will be there on Friday and possibly on Saturday. Troy will be there Friday. Theron is waiting to see if he will be able to make any of the days.

Craig is on CHSAA's finance committee and they will be meeting on December 6th. They had a good LEF meeting. Donny received \$6,000 for a sander. This will pay for a third of it, the school will pay a third and he's hoping to get grant money for the last third.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. McCleary highlighted items from his board report. He attended Dirk's coaches meeting and thought he did a great job addressing coaching demeanor and recognizing bullying. There's a board work session this Wednesday night. We will provide dinner. He included a budget development timeline that he would like the Board to look over. They will need to approve this timeline at the

December Board meeting. He believes that by making a timeline the board agrees to establish budget priorities. We will hold a public hearing on the budget. He thanked Kim for all her work to get everything the auditors needed. He thanked her for sticking to it through the bad and good times. He also thanked the Board, past and present, for getting us where we are now. He included a schedule of the CASB Convention and encouraged the Board to take advantage of all the sessions they can make. This is a great learning opportunities for Board members. He also included the audit exit findings from Dixon, Waller and Company. Craig asked the Board if they wanted the auditors to come out and go over the audit in January when we approve it. We have never had them come out before but John has always had the auditors present the audit to the Board. All the information they need is in the exit papers. They decided they didn't need to have them come out.

Action Items:

2nd and Final Reading of New and Revised Policies

Wendy Pottorff moved and Troy Jaklich seconded the motion to approve the 2nd and final reading of the following new and revised policies –

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| ADD | Safe Schools |
| GBEB | Staff Conduct & Responsibilities |
| GBEB-R-2 | Staff Conduct & Responsibilities – NEW Regulation |
| JICH | Drug & Alcohol Involvement by Students |
| JLCD | Administering Medications by Students |
| JLCDB | Administration of Medical Marijuana to Qualified Students |
| KDBA | Parent Notification of Employee Criminal Charges – NEW Policy |
| KDBA-E | Parent Notification of Employee Criminal Charges Sample Notice – NEW Exhibit |
| KFA | Public Conduct on District Property |

The motion passed unanimously.

Coaches

Mike Hines moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve Mareli Nunez as assistant middle school boys' basketball coach, Tristan Samuels and Kylie Samuels as volunteer assistant high school girls' basketball coach, Casey Love as volunteer assistant dance coach and Emily Rudder as volunteer assistant middle school girls' basketball coach. Troy asked Dirk if coaches have to pass a background check. Dirk said that yes they do, we send in their fingerprint cards. The motion passed unanimously.

Sponsor

Troy Jaklich moved and Mike Hines seconded the motion to approve Steve Beedy as a sponsor for all science events. The motion passed unanimously.

School Closure

Mike Hines moved and Wendy Pottorff seconded the motion to approve the closure of school on Thursday, November 8th due to the high school volleyball team playing an early game at the State tournament. Troy stated that the motion should say that we didn't have subs available. Craig stated that the Board needs to approve the closure because the policy states that the superintendent can close the school for emergencies such as bad weather. They had a good student turn out to the volleyball games. The motion passed unanimously.

Future Business:

Work Session – Wednesday, November 14, 2018 5:30pm in the Conference Room
Agenda Planning – Thursday, November 29, 2018 5:30pm with Wendy Pottorff
CASB Convention – December 6th to 9th, 2018 – The Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, CO
Work Session – Monday, December 10, 2018 6:00pm Limon Media Center
Next School Board Meeting – Monday, December 10, 2018 7:00pm Limon Media Center

Adjournment:

At 8:14pm Troy Jaklich moved and Theron Perry 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: _____
Craig Bailey