

Proceedings of the
Leyton Public Schools
Cheyenne County School District #03
Board of Education Meeting
July 12, 2021 – 7:00 a.m.
High School Multi-Purpose Room in Dalton, NE

CALL TO ORDER:

President Suzy Ernest called the regular school board meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. The public was informed of the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall of the multi-purpose room. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various businesses in the community, and on the www.leytonwarriors.org website on or before Wednesday, July 7, 2021.

Members present: Ryan Borges, Lisa Carter, Suzy Ernest, Rol Rushman, Sam Schumacher, and Dave Wiedeman. Members absent: None. Also present were Superintendent Chris Geary, Elementary/JH Principal Dana Morgan, and HS Principal Ryan Plummer. In addition, there were approximately twenty visitors.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Borges to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

HEARINGS & PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARDS:

Sheriff Adam Frerichs presented the School Resource Officer proposal to the Board.

Public Comments were heard from Rob Rushman and Christina Boggess.

Public Comments were also received regarding Parental Involvement, Student Fees, Safe Return to School Continuity Plan, and ARP ESSER III Grant Funding.

Mr. Geary reported that a formal letter had been sent to the Cheyenne County Attorney as part of the required annual collaboration regarding the Student Discipline Act.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD:

Alison Haley, Allie Primm, and Kelly Reimers presented information on the “Grants 4 Schools Conference” they attended, along with Megan Rathman, in Kearney on June 14th-15th.

REPORTS:

Mr. Geary presented the Superintendent’s Report which included the annual Multicultural Education Report.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to grant Special Recognition to Allie Primm for her hard work in getting students enrolled in dual credit classes. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the minutes of the Board’s regular meeting on June 14, 2021 and the Board Retreat on June 28, 2021. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Schumacher to approve bills and financial reports as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Rushman, seconded by Carter to approve, with regret, the resignations of Krystal Borges, Kaleb Borges, and Jonathan Borges. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Rushman, seconded by Borges to approve policies #2007 (Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures), #5001 (Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism), #5018 (Parent and

Guardian Involvement in Education Practices), #5052 (School Wellness Policy), #5054 (Student Bullying), #5057 (District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy), and #6020 (Multicultural Education) as reviewed. Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Rushman, seconded by Schumacher to approve Policy #5045 (Student Fees) as revised. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Borges, seconded by Wiedeman to approve polices #2005 (Conflict of Interest), #3003 (Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement), #3003.1 (Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds), #3004.1 (Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Dollars), #3042 (Construction Management at Risk Contracts), #3043 (Design-Build Contracts), #5063 (Audio and Video Recording), and #6036 (Reading Instruction and Intervention Services) as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Rushman, seconded by Schumacher to approve polices #3001 (Budget and Property Tax Request) and #3011 (Transportation) as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. No action was taken on policy #3058.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Rushman to adopt Policy #3055 (School Resource Officers) and to approve up to \$7,500.00 for a School Resource Officer for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. It was noted that a contract from the Cheyenne County Sheriff's Office would be presented soon.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Schumacher to approve Cross Country as a student activity beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, and Borges. No: Rushman and Ernest. Motion carried 4-2.

Motion by Borges, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the 2021-2022 Student, Staff, and Activity Handbooks, in addition to the NHS bylaws, as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Wiedeman, seconded by Rushman to approve the Rauner and Associates Audit Proposal for the 2020-2021 audit as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Carter, seconded by Rushman to approve the transfers from the General Fund into the Activity Fund in the amount of \$10,000.00; into the Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$75,000.00, designated for building construction and repairs; and into the Lunch Fund in the amount of \$40,000.00. Roll call vote: Yes: Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, and Wiedeman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Schumacher, seconded by Borges to approve an overnight and out of state trip for the volleyball team to attend the UNC Volleyball Team camp July 15th-17th. Roll call vote: Yes: Ernest, Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, and Schumacher. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. No action was taken on an FFA request for its officers to go to Elitch's in Denver.

Motion by Wiedeman, seconded by Rushman to approve signors on the district accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Borges, Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, and Ernest. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Borges, seconded by Schumacher to enter into closed session for the purpose of conducting a strategy session with the School Board and legal counsel with respect to a potential claim by an employee. The Board intended to obtain confidential and attorney-client privileged advice during this closed session. This closed session was clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest. The closed session included the Board and John Selzer, legal counsel. Time to enter closed session was 9:11 a.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Rushman, Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, and Borges. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Borges to re-enter open session at 9:30 a.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Carter, Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, and Rushman. No: None. Motion carried 6-0. No action was taken during the closed session.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

The next regular meeting of the Leyton Board of Education will be Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the multi-purpose room at Leyton High School in Dalton.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Borges, seconded by Schumacher to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 a.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Wiedeman, Schumacher, Ernest, Borges, Rushman, and Carter. No: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Approved by,

Respectfully submitted,

Rol Rushman, Secretary
Leyton Board of Education

Janella Kruse,
Recording Secretary