

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lamoni Community School District

Lamoni High School Room 411

May 10, 2023; 6:00 p.m.

SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nate Pierschbacher, President

Michele Dickey-Kotz, Vice-President

Lisa Jones, Board Secretary/Treasurer

Student Board Representative, Christian Biwott

Kris Stevenson

Zack Mullins

Kathy Lerma-DeNuccio

Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order

School Board President Pierschbacher called the regular board meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Nate Pierschbacher, Kris Stevenson, Zack Mullins and Michele Dickey-Kotz. Kathy Lerma-DeNuccio joined electronically

Absent: None

Other: Superintendent Coffelt, Board Secretary Jones, Student Board Director Christian Biwott, Athletic Director Hampton and eight community members.

Agenda

The Board moved to approve the April 12 meeting agenda, list of monthly bills and monthly financials as presented.

Motion by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Stevenson **Motion** carried unanimously.

Citizen Communication

No one attending addressed the board during citizens communication

Learning Links

May is school board recognition month and May 8-12, 2023 is Staff Appreciation Week. A number of recognition opportunities are offered to employees this week.. The numerous hours the volunteer board directors commit to provide leadership and in service to the District are significant.

Discussion Items

Lamoni doesn't have the participation numbers to host baseball this summer. Rather than not provide an opportunity for student-athletes, it was recommended that Lamoni baseball share their season with another school district. As required by Iowa High Athletic Association (IHSA), the Athletic Director reached out to districts with a contiguous border to see if there were interest in sharing this sport for this season. Central Decatur School District agreed to share baseball as an athletic program this season.

Christian Biwott was recognized for his service as a student representative on the school board. The Board would like to look ahead to find another student for next year's representative.

Action

The Board moved to suspend Robert's Rules of Order at 6:17 pm to discuss the summer baseball program. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Stevenson **Motion** carried unanimously.

The Board moved back into Robert's Rules of Order at 6:30 pm **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Stevenson **Motion** carried unanimously.

The Board moved to approve the Lamoni baseball program share with Central Decatur High School for the summer 2023 baseball season. **Motion** by Director Lerma-DeNuccio, second by Director Mullins **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the following curricular purchases for the 2023-24 school year: \$2207.84 High School Business curriculum, \$5092.58 HS Family & Consumer Science, \$5699.16 Spanish I-IV, and \$4408 Achieve 3000 as a Science supplement **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz, second by Director Mullins **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve Scott Roberts as a contractual instructor for the Summer 2023 Drivers Education program. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Mullins. **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the resignations of paraeducator Cadie Carter and PK-12 Principal Angie Radloff effective at the end of the 2022-23 school year. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.** The Board held a discussion on the timeline and process for filling this position. The District will partner with Grundmeyer Leader Services as a part of the search process. The position would be advertised on Teach Iowa and internally .

The Board moved to approve two new hires: Marissa Buckallew for summer 2023 high school softball assistant coach and Chris Cougill as a Special Education teacher for the 23-24 school year. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the 2023-24 Employee handbook as presented. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve providing more dollars toward single health insurance policies for employees who qualify. The motion was to increase the amount from \$525.55 to \$575/month for single health policies and from \$675 to \$775/month toward family health policies for the 23-24 school year. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the first reading of the following updated board policies: 210.05, 401.05R1, 401.10, 407.02, 501.02, 604.06, 701.02, 708 and new board policy 200.04. **Motion** by Director Stevenson, second by Director Dickey-Kotz **Motion carried unanimously.**

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The Board moved to approve the 2023-24 milk and bread bids presented from Anderson Erickson for milk products and our local Hy-Vee for bread products. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the Green Hills Agreement for the 23-24 year: Social Worker Agreement \$556/day Librarian \$12,500/annually and \$1000/annually for Federal e-rate services & \$2,400/annually for cybersecurity services. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Mullins **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve the public hearing date of May 17, 2023 at 5:00 pm for the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Amendment. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

The Board moved to approve paying off the current bus lease with a balloon payment in the amount of \$233,381.40 due September 2, 2023. This provides the District a savings of \$157,458.56 over starting a new bus lease. **Motion** by Director Dickey-Kotz second by Director Stevenson **Motion carried unanimously.**

Topics for discussion next month

Items for review and discussion next month include:

- IASB School Board Work Session, June 2023
- 2023-2024 Student handbooks and student fees & nutrition pricing
- HVAC Project update

Upcoming Dates

- Budget Amendment Public Hearing, May 17, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.
- Regular Board meeting, Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. **Motion** made by Director Stevenson; second by Director Dickey-Kotz. **Motion carried unanimously.**