

**Lavina Public School
Regular School Board Meeting
January 12, 2021**

On Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Ben Lehfeldt called the regular school board meeting to order. Trustees Lee Burroughs and Jennelle Wallis, Superintendent Nicole Hanson and Clerk Julie Sperry were in attendance. Guests present were Brittany Boehm, Larry Ketcham, Kevin, Nikki and Kortnay Wimmer, and Wil Peters. Ivy Mallo, Kim Kopetzky and Koree MacMurdie joined the meeting on Google Meet.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lee made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Public Participation/Comments: Wil and Kortnay presented the Board with a more detailed expense projection for the senior trip. Kortnay asked the Board to consider a residency waiver for Valedictorian/Salutatorian. This will be on next month's agenda.

Communications:

- **Trustee's report:** Jennelle shared a scholarship opportunity.
- **Student Council:** None
- **Teacher's organization:** Larry reported the end of the 1st semester is Monday, Jan. 18th. Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be announced after that. National Honor Society applications will be given to those who qualify and an induction will be held this spring for this year's and last year's inductees. AimsWeb testing for grades 2-8 will be completed in January.
- **AD's Report:** Nicole reported on Francine's behalf:
 - 1. Tonight we have a varsity game against Roberts, both Girls and Boys. This will be our 3rd game of the season. We have 11 girls out and 17 boys. Friday we will play Absarokee in Lavina.
 - 2. As it stands each of our away games will allow 2 fans per player. We are currently at 4 home fans per player and 2 for visiting fans. We have implemented a ticket system for our games while other schools use a list to sign up ahead of time.
 - 3. Our new bus arrived on December 9. It made its first trip with the boys' team to Park City on Saturday. The space on the bus was awesome. We were all very excited.
 - 4. I have my tests scheduled and am working on getting my air brakes in just the next couple of weeks. If you would like to take a look at the bus, please stop by.
 - 5. Bus inspections are being scheduled for the next two weeks.

Superintendent's Report:

Corona Relief Fund: We were given two installments of Corona Relief funds. The first round (\$29,299) was given out in August. There was an opportunity to apply for an additional amount in December. Lavina School was awarded \$5,561. All awarded funds had to be spent by the end of December. Julie has included the list of items we spent the money on in the board packet.

ESSER: ESSER is the other fund schools have available. Much of this fund has been used by our school to support technology needs. The amount awarded to us was \$22,661.00. We have purchased new laptops for teachers. The old laptops are reaching the end of their life.

ESSER II: We have been notified that a second round of stimulus funds will be awarded to schools. The amount Lavina will receive is \$92,684.

CTE Grant: Lavina School has applied for and been awarded an additional \$2,000 in Carl Perkins funding. We had to submit a grant to the state in order to receive this funding. Our plan is to purchase the Adobe Suite for BPA and highschool Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. Adobe is a cutting edge software that will provide our students with the knowledge they need to compete with other schools around the state and the nation.

Popcorn Fridays: One Friday a month I have been making popcorn for students. Popcorn is a big hit and a positive way to encourage good behavior at our school. Some of the bags of popcorn even have Bearcat treasure!

Copy Machines: We have two new copy machines from 360 Office. One is located upstairs and the other one is located downstairs in the old office. I am looking to save money by having these machines. Currently it is costing us about \$400 to replace the toner in the teachers' printers. The printers are also beginning to break. To replace the printers, it costs about \$500. We are phasing out the printers in the classrooms and enabling them to print to the copy machine. The lease costs us \$220 per month.

Ceiling Update: The ceiling in Mr. Bs room was torn down over break. We are waiting to have it replaced. The lack of material availability has set us back a bit.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. **Hire Special Ed Aide:** There have been no applicants for this position. No action was taken.
2. **Auditor Contract – Olness & Associates, PC:** Lee made a motion to approve the contract with Olness & Associates for three years as presented. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
3. **Superintendent Evaluation:** Moved to the end of the meeting.
4. **Superintendent Contract:** Moved to the end of the meeting.

Kevin, Nikki, Kortnay and Wil left the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Lee made a motion to approve the bills and payroll as presented. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Larry and Brittany left the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Julie left at 8:00 p.m.

Superintendent Evaluation: The Board and Mrs. Hanson moved to Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent Evaluation. At 8:51 p.m. the regular meeting resumed.

Superintendent Contract: Lee made a motion to offer Nicole Hanson a contract for the Superintendent/Principal position for the 2021-2022 school year. Ben 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Chairman of the Board

District Clerk

Date

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