

**Lavina Public School
Regular School Board Meeting
December 8, 2020**

On Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Ben Lehfeltdt 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 Francine Jansen, Brittany Boehm, Larry Ketcham, Raquel and Berlin Sanguins, Kortnay Wimmer and Wil Peters. Bill Battaiola joined the meeting on Google Meet.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jennelle made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2020 regular meeting and November 16, 2020 special meeting as presented. Lee 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Public Participation/Comments: None

Communications:

- **Trustee's report:** None
- **Student Council:** Berlin reported the following activities: Spirit Week for the holidays, a door decorating contest, Secret Santa among students, snack bar for staff, and birthday lockers with a candy treat.
- **Teacher's organization:** Brittany discussed the concerts this week with Facebook Live and the fundraising activities for Expedition: Yellowstone.
- **AD's Report:** Francine reported:
 - Jr. High girls basketball finished their season last Saturday, December 5.
 - High School basketball practice started last night. 8th graders were approved to participate by MHSA today. I checked in with both coaches today, girls it looks like we have 11 participants including two 8th graders. Boys have 17 participants including five 8th graders.
 - Our first game is January 2, in Broadview with Plenty Coups.
 - I have not heard from Gary about approval from Yellowstone County in regards to their spectator plan.
 - Our new bus is set to be here this week, potentially on Thursday.
 - We will have our buses in for routine maintenance over Christmas, before inspections in January.

Superintendent's Report:

Midterms: I have requested that Kelli print midterm reports for grades 5-12. I have also asked all of the teachers to make a comment on midterms where kids have a D or an F. I believe this is one more opportunity for parents to know how their kids are doing.

Student Teacher: We are getting a student teacher in January. His name is Scott Bymaster and he will be placed with Mrs. Hayes. His degree is in secondary English.

Evaluations: Per the collective CBA, all non-tenured staff need to have their first evaluation completed by December 15th and their second completed within three months of their first evaluation. I have completed all non-tenured evaluations. CBA language indicates that tenured staff need to have their evaluations completed

by February 28th. I have enclosed a handout in the board packet of Danielson Model evaluation process that I have been using with teachers. I continue to work with Dr. Jo Swain on teacher evaluations. My goal with all of this is to provide meaningful feedback to all of the teaching staff and to encourage best practices.

Distance Learning: At any moment, teachers have to be ready for students that have been quarantined due to COVID. I have asked the teachers to develop virtual learning information/protocol about their classroom to help parents and students navigate online learning. We still have work to do, but I am pleased with our progress.

CRF Payments to Schools: Lavina received an additional \$5,561 in CRF funds. This balance has to be spent by the end of this month.

COVID: I wanted the board to be informed about the possibility of school closure due to COVID quarantine and sickness. I believe the only threat of a closure would come from a lack of subs to cover classrooms.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- 1. Senior Class:** Lee made a motion to approve the Senior Trip to White Sulphur Springs as presented. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed. Lee made a motion to approve graduation colors and songs, as well as Tracy Zuhoski as their speaker. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.
- 2. MTSBA FY22 Dues Revenue:** Lee made a motion to approve the FY22 dues revenue estimate as presented. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

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

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Jennelle 2nd, all in favor, motion passed.

Chairman of the Board

Date

District Clerk

Date