

**Lavina Public School  
Regular School Board Meeting  
February 11, 2021**

On Thursday, February 11, 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 Larry Ketcham, Ivy Mallo, Francine Jansen, Kevin, Nikki and Kortnay Wimmer, Kim Kopetzky and John and Wil Peters. Rena Kouba joined the meeting on Google Meet.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lee made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 regular meeting as presented. Jennelle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

**Public Participation/Comments:** None

**Communications:**

- **Trustee's report:** Jennelle received a letter from a parent.
- **Student Council:** None
- **Teacher's organization:** Ivy reported Scott Bymaster is doing well in his student teaching. He will be here until mid-April. Honor Roll has been posted for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter and 1<sup>st</sup> Semester. Valedictorian/Salutatorian will be announced soon. National Honor Society will induct new members in April. The new members from last spring will also be inducted. We have an opportunity for our students to receive extra counseling services through Wellness Counseling Associates. Midterm is the 18<sup>th</sup> and Parent/Teacher Conferences will be on the 24<sup>th</sup>.
- **AD's Report:** Jr. High boys' basketball has started. Tracy Zuhoski and Scott Bymaster are coaches. High School District Basketball Tournament will be in Red Lodge. No pep bands are allowed at the tournament. Ski Day is scheduled for March 11. Track will begin in March.

Dan Peters joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

**Superintendent's Report:**

**Foundation of Building:** The foundation of the old part of the building is crumbling both inside and outside.

**Classified Observation:** I would like to investigate evaluation of classified staff.

**Rehires:** The teachers would like to have contracts offered in March. I will have all certified evaluations completed by February 28th and a report to the board by the March meeting.

**Calendar for Next Year:** I created a calendar committee to discuss the calendar for next year. The members of that committee are Susan Hayes, Kim Kopetzky, Kelli Schwehr and myself. Changes include the addition of more PIR days and parent conference days.

**Legislative Updates**

1. HB 143: This bill raises the base of new teachers with 1-3 yrs. of experience to 33,500. Currently we have two new teachers this would affect. I am in the process of figuring out how we could make this work. My initial thought is to create another matrix. There will be more to come on this bill. Districts

do have the option not to participate.

2. HB-3: ESSER 2: This is the second part of the COVID funding. It is looking like we may lose 10% of the funding we were originally told about.

**Boiler:** Sam is telling me that the boiler is on its last legs. I would like to apply for the grant through Snowy Mountain Development and ask for a lesser amount.

**Parent Teacher Conferences:** We are giving parents the option to have face to face conferences or phone conferences this semester. Last semester we learned that it works well to have the Jr. high/high school teachers together in one room.

**Superintendent Endorsement:** I have completed two of the four classes required for my superintendent endorsement. I have two more classes to go!

### **Old Business:**

1. **Hire Special Ed Aide:** Jennelle made a motion to hire Amanda Wessel as a temporary Special Ed Aide as needed. Lee 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

### **New Business:**

1. **1<sup>st</sup> Reading Policy Updates:**

- a. **3310 Student Discipline**
- b. **4315 Visitor and Spectator Conduct**
- c. **4332 Conduct on School Property**
- d. **5223 Personal Conduct**
- e. **5226 Drug-Free Workplace**

Jennelle made a motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading for updates to Policies 3310, 4315, 4332, 5223, and 5226. Lee 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

2. **Residency Waiver Request:** Lee made a motion to not approve the Residency Waiver Request for Valedictorian/Salutatorian. Jennelle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

At 7:42 p.m. Kevin, Nikki and Kortnay Wimmer left the meeting.

3. **PHlight Club:** Kim presented the plan for a PHlight Club in April and another next fall.

4. **Call for Election:**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees for School District No. 2, Golden Valley County, State of Montana, will hold the Annual Regular School Election on Tuesday, the 4th day of May, 2021, which date is not less than seventy (70) days after the passage of this resolution.

The election will be conducted by:

☒ Mail Ballot

The purpose of the election is to elect one (1) trustee for a three-year term.

Approval of additional levies to operate and maintain the Technology and/or Building Reserve fund for FY 2021 2022 will also be requested.

If it is later determined that any portion of the election is not required, the Board of Trustees authorizes Julie Sperry, election administrator, to cancel that portion of the election in accordance with [13-1-304](#) and [20-3-313](#), MCA.

The following voting locations will be used for the election and the three electors of this district who are qualified to vote at such election are hereby appointed to act as judges at the election at each voting place as follows:

**Voting Location and Address: Lavina School, 214 1st St. E, Lavina, MT**

	Election Judge	Address
1.	Jamie Lehfeldt,	PO Box 195, Lavina, MT
2.	Kathy Jensen,	PO Box 86, Lavina, MT
3.	Lois Boe,	14Horse Meadow Lane, Lavina, MT

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the clerk of this school district is hereby directed to notify the above named election judges of their appointment and to notify the county election administrator of the date of holding said election, and request the clerk to close regular registration and to prepare and furnish election materials as required by law. If any of these judges should not be able to serve, the election administrator will choose a replacement from certified judges.

No further proceedings were conducted relating to the election.

Lee made a motion to adopt the Trustee Resolution Calling for an Election. Jennelle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

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

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Lee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Jennelle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

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Chairman of the Board	District Clerk
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Date	Date