

**Lavina Public School  
Regular School Board Meeting  
August 8, 2023**

On Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 7:01 p.m. Vice-Chairman Dan Peters called the regular school board meeting to order. Trustee Ben Lehfeldt, Superintendent Nicole Hanson and Clerk Julie Sperry were in attendance. Guests present were Francine Jansen, Kelli Schwehr, Rena Kouba, Shane Schaff and Josh Wolff. Joining the meeting on Google Meet were Chelsey Rogers, Jessica Dodds and Kim Kopetzky.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ben made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

**Public Participation/Comments:** None

**Communications:**

1. **Trustee's report:** Ben reported that the Beef2School BBQ might include representatives from Farm Bureau, KULR8 TV, Northern Ag Network and other beef producers.

Chairman Jennelle Wallis joined the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

2. **Student Council:** None
3. **Teacher's organization:** Kelli discussed the new math curriculum for grades K-8.
4. **AD's Report:** High school volleyball and football practices begin August 11 with two-a-day practices. The parent meeting is Friday, Aug. 11 at 5 p.m. Jr. high practices will begin August 23. DEQ and MHSA have received a grant for each school to receive an air quality monitor over the course of the next three years. All the buses passed inspection.
5. **Maintenance Report:** Josh gave an update on the boiler project. The gym is completed. The sidewalk and drain work is scheduled for August 14<sup>th</sup>. The plumber completed a couple of projects. Work continues on the classrooms.

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Chelsey Rogers introduced herself to the board. She is the SpEd Co-Op director.

Chelsey left the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

- Montana Historical Society National Register Sign Program – We will get one sign for the main building.
- ALICE: All staff are currently taking the online component of ALICE. We will be training for four hours on the 21st with ALICE. Deputy Schaff and I attended training two weeks ago and are now certified to teach ALICE.

Shane left the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

- ZONES: An SEL curriculum that teaches kids how to self-regulate and solve problems. The elementary teachers will be teaching this curriculum. I purchased it with the Title IV grant funding.
- PHLight Club has been scheduled for Sept 24-25. We will also have a workshop for the entire elementary on the 26th. Finally, we are arranging a summer camp opportunity in Monarch or Red Lodge. This will be paid for with Title IV funding.
- PIR: The MTSS team and I are hosting a day with new staff. We will talk about building norms and other important information that is conducive to our building.
- Letters to staff were sent out today. They cover beginning of the year topics.
- Beef 2 School: Our first beef is here! Bob is bringing the big grill over for the new burgers! LSA is helping out. Our next beef will be butchered in a couple of weeks.
- Chapter 55 Accreditation: New standards set forth by the state.

## **Old Business:**

**1. 23-24 Parent/Student Handbook:** Ben made a motion to approve the 23-24 Parent/Student Handbook. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

## **2. Policy Changes:**

- a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Required Model Policy
  - i. Policy 1650 – Public Charter Schools
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Required Updates
  - i. Policy 1005FE – Proficiency Based ANB
  - ii. Policy 1006FE – Fund Transfers for School Safety
  - iii. Policy 1007FE – Multi-District Agreements
  - iv. Policy 1009FE – Teacher Recruitment and Retention
  - v. Policy 1010FE – Early Enrollment for Exceptional Circumstances
  - vi. Policy 1110 – Taking Office
  - vii. Policy 1400 – Board Meetings
  - viii. Policy 1700 – Uniform Complaint Procedure
  - ix. Policy 2050 – Innovative Student Instruction
  - x. Policy 2132 – Student and Family Privacy Rights
  - xi. Policy 2140 – Guidance and Counseling
  - xii. Policy 2158 – Family Engagement
  - xiii. Policy 2167 – Correspondence Courses
  - xiv. Policy 2168 – Distance Learning
  - xv. Policy 2170/2170P – Digital Academy
  - xvi. Policy 2332 – Religion and Religious Activities
  - xvii. Policy 2450 – Indian Education for all
  - xviii. Policy 2600 – Work Based Learning
  - xix. Policy 3100 - Early Enrollment for Exceptional Circumstances

- xx. Policy 3110 – Entrance, Placement and Transfer
- xxi. Policy 3120 – Compulsory Attendance
- xxii. Policy 3121/3121P – Enrollment and Attendance
- xxiii. Policy 3141 – Non-Resident Enrollment
- xxiv. Policy 3150 – Part-Time Admission
- xxv. Policy 3226 – Bullying, Harassment, and Intimidation
- xxvi. Policy 3233 – Student Use of Buildings
- xxvii. Policy 3235 – Video Surveillance – Option 2
- xxviii. Policy 3310 – Student Discipline
- xxix. Policy 3413 – Student Immunizations
- xxx. Policy 3510 – School Sponsored Activities
- xxxi. Policy 3550 – Student Clubs and Groups
- xxxii. Policy 4410 – Relations with Law Enforcement
- xxxiii. Policy 8301 – District Safety

Ben made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading of the Required Model Policy and the Required Updates with Option 2 on Policy 3235. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Sports Co-op Funding:** Ben made a motion to put \$3000 in the Sports Co-op Fund. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 2. Hire Science Teacher:** Ben made a motion to hire Lisa Carpenter for the Science teacher position for the 2023-2024 school year. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 3. Hire Music Teacher:** Dan made a motion to hire Sharon Parker for the Music Teacher position for the 2023-2024 school year. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 4. Hire Elementary Teacher:** Dan made a motion to hire Jessica Dodds for the Elementary Teacher position for the 2023-2024 school year. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 5. Hire Aide:** Ben made a motion to hire Charly Tatom for the SpEd Aide position for the 2023-2024 school year. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 6. Hire Pre-school Teacher:** Dan made a motion to hire Kim Kopetzky for the Pre-school Teacher position for the 2023-2024 school year. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 7. North Bus Route:** Dan made a motion to approve the revised North bus route as presented. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 8. Bus Driver Contract:** Ben made a motion to approve the revised contract for Charlie Egge on the revised North bus route. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

- 9. Teacher Housing Purchase:** Jennelle made a motion to not purchase the modular home from KJ Fauth. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed. A committee will continue to research housing options.

Rena left the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

- 10. 2023 Trustee's Financial Summary:** Jennelle made a motion to approve the 2023 Trustee's Financial Summary as presented. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 11. 2023-2024 Budget:** Ben made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Budget as presented. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.
- 12. Goals 23-24:** Ben made a motion to approve the Goals for 2023-2024 as presented. Jennelle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

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

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

Jennelle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. Dan 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passed.

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Chairman of the Board

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