

**LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT #54**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting (MS)**  
February 08, 2016 12:30 PM  
BOARD ROOM @ LCC MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Attendance Taken at 12:33 PM:**

Present Board Members:

Richard Brandow  
Robert Colwell  
Carol Erwin  
Jay Hall  
Betty Jo Leapley

Absent Board Members:

Brian Holcomb  
Marlin Papenhausen  
Steve Schutte  
John Wolfgram

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Discussion:

Prior to the regular board meeting, board members Brandow, Colwell, Erwin, Hall and Leapley, Principals Johnson and Vance, and Superintendent Klooz began a building walk through at 8:30 a.m. at the Laurel building. The group moved to the Coleridge building where they were joined by Principal Shiers and began a walk through of that building at 11:05 a.m.

The regular meeting was convened at 12:33 p.m. in the Board Room at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge School, Coleridge, Nebraska. The meeting notice was published in the February 3, 2016 issue of the Coleridge Blade and the Laurel Advocate, posted at the Community Learning Center-Laurel and LCC Middle School-Coleridge, and posted on the school web site. Said notice stated the agenda is readily available for public inspection at the Superintendent's office during normal business hours. Board members were emailed notice. In addition to board members the following were present: Superintendent Randall Klooz, Elementary Principal Heath Johnson, Middle School Principal T.J. Shiers, and High School Principal Jay Vance. Members of the public were present and welcome. The meeting was duly called to order by President Hall at 12:33 p.m. Everyone joined in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Attention was directed to a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act posted in the room.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CHANGES TO AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the agenda as provided passed with a motion by Robert Colwell and a second by Richard Brandow.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Richard Brandow	Yes
Robert Colwell	Yes
Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	Yes
Brian Holcomb	Absent

Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Absent
John Wolfgram	Absent

### III. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve consent agenda items including minutes of the January 11, 2016 Regular Meeting and the January 27, 2016 Board Retreat; Treasurer reports; the General Fund bills in the amount of \$139,913.91; the Cooperative Fund bill in the amount of \$301.00; and the projected payroll of \$444,415.17 passed with a motion by Richard Brandow and a second by Betty Jo Leapley.

#### 5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Richard Brandow	Yes
Robert Colwell	Yes
Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	Yes
Brian Holcomb	Absent
Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Absent
John Wolfgram	Absent

Discussion:

Board member Schutte arrived at 12:36 p.m.

### IV. EXCUSE ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS

**Motion Failed:** Motion to excuse absent board members failed with a motion by Betty Jo Leapley and a second by Carol Erwin.

#### 3 Yeas - 3 Nays.

Richard Brandow	No
Robert Colwell	No
Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	No
Brian Holcomb	Absent
Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Yes
John Wolfgram	Absent

### V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion:

No member of the public signed in to address the board.

### VI. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

#### VI.1. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

Discussion:

Board member Holcomb arrived at 12:42 p.m. Elementary Principal Johnson, Middle School Principal Shiers, and High Principal Vance presented their reports. The written reports from principals are available at the office of the

superintendent. Principal Johnson reported on the Elementary Student Council members and activities. He was contacted by the Laurel Ministerial Association and they are coordinating weekend food pack for students. Our preschool was recently evaluated by the Nebraska Department of Education. The School Wide Title I Committee has been set and a plan is taking shape. He shared a special education report from Mrs. Maxwell. Eleven students in grades K-4 scored high enough during the first semester to move out of Multi-tiered System of Supports (MTSS). Principal Shiers shared that a "Catching Kids Being Good" campaign has been started at the middle school. Teachers hand out slips to students they identify doing good things, the student signs the slip, then puts it in the drawing box. Ten students received prizes for the January monthly drawing. Mr. Shiers thanked the teachers and businesses who donated the prizes. Candidates are being interviewed for the football coach and boys golf positions. He shared several activities of the Middle School Student Council. He thanked the teachers for preparing the 8th grade students for their recent NeSA Writing Tests. Principal Vance reported the junior class finished the NeSA Writing Exam without technical problems. He congratulated all the students who made the second quarter and first semester A and A/B Honor Rolls. Students are working on science fair projects. The principals met to review teacher progress on Build Your Own Curriculum (BYOC). With the number of snow days needed this year, the administration is monitoring the number of hours required for students to be in session. If we need to use more snow days, they will continue to monitor this. Too many days of missed classes may require us to adjust the last day for seniors and other students accordingly.

## **VI.2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **Discussion:**

Superintendent Klooz discussed the board retreat and reminded everyone of our motto- LCC Pride. He reviewed the Culture, Motivation, Performance, Recognition model discussed at the retreat. The principals will be presenting the staff a similar PowerPoint to the one shared at the school board retreat. The goal is to build a strong vision by improving communication between all levels. The administration will be working with a teacher committee to review the staff handbook for the 2016-2017 school year. The administration completed training with Crown Global Consulting and has developed a system for selecting quality teachers through the interview process.

## **VI.3. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Discussion:**

Brian Holcomb, Betty Jo Leapley, and Superintendent Klooz reported on the Legislative Issues Conference they recently attended.

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

### **VII.1. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action with regard to the calendar for the 2016-17 school year.**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve Option 1 presented for the School Year Calendar for 2016-2017 with the first day of student classes on August 17, 2016 and the last day of student classes on May 19, 2017 passed with a motion by Robert Colwell and a second by Betty Jo Leapley.

### **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Richard Brandow	Yes
Robert Colwell	Yes

Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	Yes
Brian Holcomb	Yes
Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Yes
John Wolfgram	Absent

Discussion:

Two School Year 2016-2017 Calendar options were presented and discussed.

**VII.2. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action with regard to the Corporate Resolution Authorization for 2016.**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the Corporate Resolution Authorizations with Security Bank for 2016 passed with a motion by Richard Brandow and a second by Brian Holcomb.

**7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Richard Brandow	Yes
Robert Colwell	Yes
Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	Yes
Brian Holcomb	Yes
Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Yes
John Wolfgram	Absent

**VII.3. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action with regard to district membership in the NASB for the fiscal year April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017.**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve district membership in the NASB for the fiscal year April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017 passed with a motion by Robert Colwell and a second by Richard Brandow.

**7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Richard Brandow	Yes
Robert Colwell	Yes
Carol Erwin	Yes
Jay Hall	Yes
Brian Holcomb	Yes
Betty Jo Leapley	Yes
Marlin Papenhausen	Absent
Steve Schutte	Yes
John Wolfgram	Absent

**VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**VIII.1. Review and discuss school board retreat.**

Discussion:

The topics from the board retreat were reviewed and discussed.

**VIII.2. Discuss the procedure for requesting and awarding a new CD.**

Discussion:

Offers will be requested from Security Bank and Citizens Bank for new Certificates of Deposit. The offers will be opened and acted on at the regular board meeting.

**IX. ADJOURN**

Discussion:

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Cedar County School District #54

Submitted by:

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Betty Jo Leapley  
Secretary of the Board