

LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT #54
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, May 11, 2020 7:00 p.m.
Boardroom @ LCC School, Laurel, NE 68745

Attendance taken at 7:00 p.m.

Carol Erwin: Present
Jay Hall: Present
Angela Johnson: Present
Dan Kuhlman: Present
Samuel Recob: Present
Grant Settje: Present
Tyler Specht: Absent
Scott Taylor: Absent
Dustin Thompson: Present
Present: 7. Absent: 2.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The regular meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 2020 in the Board Room at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge School, Laurel, Nebraska. The meeting notice was published in the May 6, 2020 issue of the Laurel Advocate, posted at U.S. Post Office- Coleridge, U.S. Post Office-Laurel, and posted on the school web site. Said notice stated 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 Jeremy Christiansen, Elementary Principal Paige Parsons, Middle School Principal Jay Vance, and High School Principal/Activities Director Ken Swanson. Members of the public were present and welcomed. The meeting was duly called to order by President Hall at 7:00 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 to approve the agenda as provided passed with a motion by Dustin Thompson and a second by Grant Settje.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea, Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda items including minutes of the April 13, 2020 Regular Monthly Board Meeting; Treasurer report; the General Fund bills in the amount of \$61,440.21; the Cooperative Fund bill in the amount of \$19,437.00; and the projected payroll in the amount of \$479,925.42 passed with a motion by Sam Recob and a second by Grant Settje.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea, Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

IV. EXCUSE ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS

Motion to excuse the absence of Scott Taylor and Tyler Specht passed with a motion by Grant Settje and a second by Angela Johnson.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea, Specht:

Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

VI. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

VI.1. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

Elementary Principal Paige Parsons presented her Elementary report. LCC will be offering Summer School this summer to all students that are still on an Individual Reading Improvement Plan (IRIP) and/or to students receiving math, reading, or EL interventions. This is projected to run three weeks in June and another three weeks in July and will be conducted via Zoom. We would like to thank our Parent/Teacher Organization for generously providing to Teacher Appreciation Week.

High School Principal Ken Swanson presented his High School report. LCC participated in the "Be the Light" campaign on April 21st. The football lights were turned on for twenty minutes to honor local medical workers, the senior class of 2020, and all participants in extracurricular activities which had their seasons cancelled. School materials return is scheduled for May 18th – 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Class of 2020 "Virtual Honors Night" was held May 11th to honor the senior class of 2020 for their achievements this past school year, as well as recognized scholarship recipients and those students meeting the LCC requirements for graduation. Graduation is planned for Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Dance team try-outs for the 2020-2021 season are being conducted virtually. Pending NSAA Board of Control approval, LCC will add Homer to the football schedule on Week 0, August 21, 2020, bringing us up to 8 games.

Middle School Principal Jay Vance presented his Middle School report. The Middle School wrapped up all Zoom classes on May 7th. Students now have until May 15th to complete all assigned materials for the year. Letters were mailed to find out 7th – 8th grade student interest in which music class they would like to take (band/choir/both). Included in the letter is a discussion about which math class they would like to take.

The written Principal reports are available at the Office of the Superintendent.

VI.2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Christiansen presented his Superintendent report. Mr. Christiansen provided personnel updates to the Board. LCC has a work agreement with Otte Construction out of Wayne to replace the existing columns in the West Wing boiler room. Work is to be completed by July 1st. Our TeamMates program has a current

Mentor/Mentee match count of 95. Mr. Christiansen plans to propose at the June board meeting a modification of the current part-time TeamMates Match Facilitator position to become a full-time position. Our school district received seven proposals from construction firms by the deadline of May 4th. Interviews will be conducted on May 18th, and there will be a special board meeting on May 19th to select a Construction Manager at Risk.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

VII.1. CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION WITH REGARD TO RESIGNATIONS.

Motion to accept the resignation of Jay Vance at the end of his 2019-2020 administrative contract period passed with a motion by Dustin Thompson and a second by Grant Settje.
Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

The Board wishes to share our sincere gratitude for Mr. Vance's years of service and dedication to LCC School.

Motion to accept the resignation of Ella Vance effective at the end of the 2019-2020 school year passed with a motion by Grant Settje and a second by Sam Recob.
Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

The Board sincerely appreciates Mrs. Vance's dedicated service to LCC School.

VII.2. CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION WITH REGARD TO MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL CONTRACT.

Motion to approve the Middle School Principal contract with Mark Leonard for the 2020-2021 school year at a salary of \$74,000.00 passed with a motion by Sam Recob and a second by Dan Kuhlman.
Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

VII.3. CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION WITH REGARD TO MIDDLE SCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHING CONTRACT.

Motion to approve a certified teacher contract with Jennifer Backer for the 2020-2021 school year passed with a motion by Carol Erwin and a second by Dustin Thompson.
Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

VII.4. CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION WITH REGARD TO TECHNOLOGY LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

Motion to approve the four-year lease-purchase agreement with Apple, Inc. in the amount of \$333,828 (or \$83,457 per year) for the purchase and support of technology needs passed with a motion by Grant Settje and a second by Sam Recob.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

Motion to approve the two-year Apple Professional Learning agreement in the amount of \$17,000 for training and support of faculty and staff passed with a motion by Sam Recob and a second by Dustin Thompson.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

VII.5. CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION WITH REGARD TO GYM EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION.

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of two retractable basketball systems in the Main Gym of the Laurel campus in the amount of \$12,900 passed with a motion by Sam Recob and a second by Grant Settje.

Erwin: Yea, Hall: Yea, Johnson: Yea, Kuhlman: Yea, Recob: Yea, Settje: Yea,
Specht: Absent, Taylor: Absent, Thompson: Yea
Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

VIII.1. ONGOING RESPONSE DURING SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Mr. Christiansen discussed LCC School's ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the school closure.

VIII.2. FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PLANNING – CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK SELECTION COMMITTEE PROCESS

Mr. Christiansen discussed the Construction Manager at Risk selection committee process.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE AND BULLETINS

Updates from NASB and NRCSA were available for the Board's review.

X. UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS, COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND WORKSHOPS

Board members were reminded of upcoming meetings and workshops.

X.1. CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK – BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING TO INTERVIEW FINALIST CANDIDATES- MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020 (TIME TBD – LCC BOARD ROOM/LAUREL)

**X.2. SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING TO SELECT
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK- TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020 (7:00 P.M. –
LCC BOARD ROOM/LAUREL)**

**X.3. REGULAR BOARD MEETING- MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020 (7:00 P.M. – LCC
BOARD ROOM/COLERIDGE)**

XI. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Cedar County School District #54

Submitted by:

Megan Greiner
Recording Secretary

Attested by:

Dustin Thompson
Secretary of the Board