

**LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: August 9, 2021

Presiding Officer: Keith Runge

Member Roll Call

Jerry Jaixen	Present
Ryan Loseke	Present
Jeremy Sprunk	Present
Keith Runge	Present
Chad Anderson	Present
Eric Stuthman	Absent

Others Present

Aaron Plas, Superintendent	Present
Steve Borer, Principal	Present
Branden Nygren, Principal	Present
Erin Craven, Principal	Present
Jake Shadley, Asst. Principal/Activities Dir.	Present

Regular Board Meeting

1. Opening procedures

- 1.1 Call to Order – President Keith Runge called the regular meeting to order at 8:03 p.m.
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chad Anderson.
- 1.3 Open Meeting Act – Chairman Runge noted the meeting would follow the open meeting act.
- 1.4 Verification of Publication and Notification – The agenda was posted in all school buildings and the meeting noticed was published in The Columbus Telegram on August 3, 2021.
- 1.5 Roll Call – Jerry Jaixen, Ryan Loseke, Jeremy Sprunk, Keith Runge and Chad Anderson were present.
- 1.6 Excuse Board Member Absence – Eric Stuthman was absent. It was moved by Loseke and seconded by Jaixen to approve the absence of Eric Stuthman. On roll call, 5-0, motion carried.

2. **Approval of Agenda** – It was moved by Jaixen and seconded by Sprunk to approve the agenda as presented. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.

3. **Presentations** - All of the new teachers in the district were in attendance to introduce themselves to the Board of Education.

4. Board Statement on Health Standards/Critical Race Theory

- The Lakeview Community Schools Board of Education read the following statement prior to public comment:
 - The Lakeview Board of Education will not adopt the draft version of the health education standards proposed by the Nebraska Department of Education, nor will it be adopting the final standards whenever those are approved by the state board of education. These standards are 100% voluntary for a school district to adopt and allow complete local control. Lakeview will continue the health curriculum as it has in the past without any changes resulting from these draft standards.
 - Lakeview Board of Education opposes the draft standards because it is our belief that these standards infringe on parents' role as primary educators of their own children, especially as it pertains to matters of faith and morals, including human growth and development as it relates to standards that include items of sexual content.
 - Because of the local control that is allowed with these standards, and the fact the proposed standards will in no way change the education of Lakeview students, our district does not believe signing a resolution opposing the standards is necessary as means for voicing our opposition. But please know the district has voiced their opinion opposing the draft standards to NDE both through private conversations with the commissioner of education and through our representing organizations.
 - In addition to the concerns regarding the health standards, there have also been concerns about the teaching of critical race theory in our school system. Lakeview Community Schools does not have curriculum incorporating Critical Race Theory and doesn't have any intentions of implementing new curriculum teaching critical race theory.

5. **Public Comments** – Four Patrons were in attendance to discuss their opposition to the Nebraska Health Standards.

5.1 Administrative Reports:

Superintendent – Dr. Plas reviewed the Back to School protocols that are to be communicated to the parents. Lakeview will have masks be optional to start the school year.

Mr. Borer – Reported on 7th and 9th grade orientation, new teacher orientation, back to school activities and enrollment numbers.

Mr. Nygren & Mr. Craven – Reported on summer school, enrollment numbers and the start of the new year activities.

Mr. Shadley – Reported on activity participation.

6. Action Items

- 6.1 Consent Agenda – It was moved by Sprunk and seconded by Loseke to approve the consent agenda. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.

- 6.2 Approval of Resignations – It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Jaixen to approve the resignation of Lexi Mullinex- After School Program Director @ SC and thank her for her service. On roll vote, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.3 Approval of New Hires – It was moved by Sprunk and seconded by Loseke to approve Paige Swanson-SPED Para-educator @ SC and Rachel Scriven- Para-educator @ Preschool. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.4 Enrollment Update/Class Assignment Numbers – Dr. Plas presented an update on current Enrollment numbers & Assignments.
- 6.5 Approval of LEA as Official Bargaining Group – It was moved by Loseke and seconded by Jaixen to approve LEA as the official bargaining unit for the 2020-21 school year with a maximum of four members present during negotiations. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.6 Transfer of Funds to Depreciation –It was moved by Sprunk and seconded by Loseke to approve a \$75,000 transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund for district upkeep. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.7 Approval of the Business Partnership Program – Lakeview will continue their participation in the Business Partnership Program through the Drive for Five. The program provides many opportunities to the students; Vehicle Day, College Week, Reality 101, Banking 101, and financial savings education as examples. It was moved by Jaixen and seconded by Sprunk to approve the Business Partnership Program. On roll call vote, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.8 Approval of Adult Lunch Prices for 2020-21 School Year – It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Jaixen to approve the Adult Lunch Prices for 2020-21 school year On roll call, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.9 Approval of District Policies – It was moved by Loseke and seconded by Sprunk to approve the Resolution for Cooperative Sponsorship Agreement with Twin River for Girls Wrestling in 2021-22 and 2022-23 On roll call, 5-0, motion carried.
- 6.10 District Projects/Purchases – Dr. Plas reported on construction update and summer projects.
- 7.0 Board Committee Reports –
Americanism/Curriculum/Technology – As needed.
Building & Grounds – As needed.
Budget – As needed.
Policy – As needed.
Negotiations – As needed
Public Relations – As needed.
- 8.0 Executive Session – It was moved by Anderson and seconded by Jaixen to enter into closed session for the purpose of holding a strategy session regarding a real estate purchase.
- 9.0 Announcements:
August 30th – Special Board Meeting with Approval of Bills – 8PM
Budget Hearing Meeting will be on September 13th at 7:45PM.
Tax Asking Hearing will be on September 13th at 7:50PM.
Regular Board Meeting will be on September 13th at 8:00PM.
- 10.0 Adjournment – It was moved by Anderson seconded by Jaixen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Aye. Chairman Runge declared the meeting adjourned at 9:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Staack
District Administrative Assistant