MINUTES
LEWISTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CELEBRATING 68 YEARS 1958 -2026

Vision: Our district will be known for the high quality of our programs, the growth of our students and the integrity of our staff.

Mission: We provide a safe environment to learn, we provide support and encouragement for the academic growth of our students and we maintain highly effective and ethical staff.

Monday, May 11, 2026

Room 5 (meeting moved to room 8)

Open Session 4:00 PM - Closed Session as Indicated on Agenda

Lewiston Elementary School Governing Board:

Suzie Hawkins, Gretchen Deichler, Chad Cook, Catherine Sidman, Sarah Panarra

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, FLAG SALUTE

Present: Hawkins, Deichler, Cook, Panarra, Sidman

Absent: None

2.0 AGENDA AND CHANGE OF DATE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING APPROVAL:

At this time requests may be made to change the agenda order, move items from Consent Agenda to Study Action Item and/or remove items from the agenda. None

3.0 INPUT REGARDING AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

The President of the Board will allow any individual or group representative to address the Board on any subject covered or not covered by an item in the Agenda at this time. Additional opportunities will be given for the public to comment on Agenda items as they are recognized and given the opportunity to speak. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to limit the time allotted to each speaker and the number of times an individual is allowed to address the Board on a given subject. In accordance with the Brown Act, unless an item has been placed on the agenda there shall be no action taken. The Board may (1) acknowledge receipt of the information; (2) refer to staff for further study; (3) refer the matter to the next meeting. The public is invited to address issues not on the agenda. (Five-minute time limit) None

4.0 CLOSED SESSION: 4:02 pm

4.1 Pursuant to Government Code 54957 - Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release- No Reportable Action Taken

4.2 Pursuant to Government Code 54954.5(e) - Public Employee Appointment - Superintendent/Principal- No Reportable Action Taken

4.3 Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators - Board Vice-President for Teamsters, CTA and Confidential Board President for Superintendent/Principal- Direction given to negotiators

CLOSED SESSION TIME OUT: 5:19 pm

BOARD FILE: AGENDAS AND MINUTES: MINUTES 05/11/2026

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5.0 BOARD/ADMINISTRATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:

5.1 Superintendent Report- Superintendent Seale was not in attendance so the board asked Christensen to provide an update. It was then reported that two members of the community came to offer support to Lewiston Elementary and its staff. Mike McMaster the Districts prior Board President surprised the district with equipment for the new staff room. Thursday is the end of year open house and state testing is almost complete. Plans are coming together for the 8th grade graduation. Mrs. Sarah Sharp, 2026-27 Superintendent/Principal, has been on campus for the last two Mondays getting to know staff, students and campus operations. She has already begun creating a master staff schedule and has sat in on interviews for open positions in the next school year.

5.2 Summary of Complaints per Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures-None

5.3 Business Update - 2nd interim positive certification letter from TCOE, Coast Central Credit Union Grant Award, KIT Grant Award- Christensen reported the award notification from Coast Central Credit Union has been received in the amount of $18,729 for the walk in refrigerator/freezer combo box replacement. It was then reported the district also received $10,452.33 from the Kitchen Infrastructure Grant (KIT Funds) that will also be used for the walk in project. The McConnell foundation came for a campus walk through and will hold their board meeting 5/13/2026 and will notify recipients if they were selected for to received funding through their grant committee. Board member Sidman requested a press release to go out highlighting the continued community support and to thank all that are involved.

5.4 LCAP Updates-None

5.5 Facility Updates-LCSD rate increase financial impact discussed about 7% increase.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA:

The following consent ACTION items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Lewiston Elementary School Governing Board at one time unless a Board member, staff member, or a member of the public requests that an item be held for discussion. Sidman asked about the increased services received from legal counsel and requested Christensen reach out to see if a legal retainer would be a better way to move forward. Sidman moved approval of all consent agenda. Cook seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

6.1 Approved Warrants:

Dated	Numbered	Amount
4/15/2026	5263475-5263491	$14,090.51
4/22/2026	5263630-5263639	$12,688.42
5/06/2026	5263793-5263807	$36,250.70

6.2 Approved Minutes from regular meeting 4/13/2026, Special Meeting 4/9/26 and 4/23/26

6.3 Approved April Payroll $80,368.82

7.0 DISTRICT ACTION ITEMS:

7.1 Accepted Bid and Approve Contract for Walk-In Freezer/Cooler Removal and Replacement for T&L High Alps Construction Inc. Deichler moved approval. Panarra seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.2 Accepted resignation letter from Special Education Teacher employee 135 effective date 4/3/2026 Deichler moved approval. Sidman seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.3 Accepted resignation letter from 5th grade Teacher employee 147 effective 6/12/2026. Sidman moved approval. Panarra seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.4 Approved overnight stipend for 2025-26 8th grade trip chaperone. Cook moved approval for $100.00 a night for the 2025-26 8th grade trip overnight chaperone. Sidman seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.5 Approve Superintendent/Principle agreement for the 26/27 School Year - Item pulled for further discussion

7.6 Tuition Assistance agreement with S. Sharp for Administrator Credential Program - Item pulled for further discussion

7.7 Approve Fundraising event offered by Cali Rockin'Blues- Board directed Christensen to request clarity on the specifics about the donation.

7.8 Approved/Reviewed District Facts Sheet from Elections Office- Sidman moved approval. Deichler seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.9 Approved Resolution 2026-06 Resolution Ordering Board of Directors Election. Sidman moved approval. Deichler seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.10 Approved Resolution 2026-07 Resolution Order of Elections- Deichler moved motion for approval with corrections made to the resolution. Sidman seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler- Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

7.11 Approved 2026-27 Consolidated Application and Reporting System- Deichler moved approval. Sidman seconded. Roll was called: Hawkins-Aye, Deichler-Aye, Panarra-Aye, Sidman-Aye, Cook-Aye. Approved 5-0.

Time Out_____



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Suzie Hawkins, Board President