SPECIAL MINUTES
LEWISTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
685 LEWISTON RD. LEWISTON CA 96052
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.

Thursday, March 26, 2026

Room 7

Open Session 3:30 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) Sarah Sharp from Junction City introduced herself to the board. Sharp is a teacher at Junction City Elementary School and is currently going through the Administrator program and will be applying for the open Superintendent position at Lewiston Elementary. Amber Knight introduced herself as a parent of two students at Lewiston. Knight expressed concern for student and staff safety due to the violent outbursts from a student on campus. Knight has witnessed several uncontrollable, violent outbursts from this student and wants the board to be aware of the behaviors and the disruption it creates for other students.

4.0 BOARD/ADMINISTRATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 Discuss classroom breakdowns and teaching staff concerns for the 26/27 School Year- Zimmerman, Morris, Farrell, Shlager and Fielding shared thoughts and ideas on a variety of scenarios for class/staff breakdowns for the 26/27 school year.

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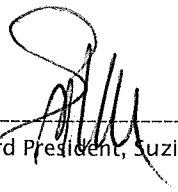
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5.0 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: Time in: 5:01 pm

5.1 Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline or Dismissal of a Public Employee, Superintendent/Principal and Teacher Government Code 54956.9(d)(1)(2)

5.2 Time out: 6:15 pm

5.3 Report any action taken in Closed Session- The Board voted 4-0 with Panarra being absent from closed session to accept the resignation of the District's Superintendent Daina Seale, effective June 30, 2026.



Board President, Suzie Hawkins