

**LEWIS CENTRAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024
EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER
Un-Official Minutes**

Call to Order: Board President Tim Wright called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm. At roll call, the following board members responded as present: Ms. Adkins, Mrs. McDaniel, Mrs. Scheffel, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Sturm, and Mr. Wright.

Administrators: Dr. Brent Hoelsing, Andrea Raes, Dr. Lisa Hartman, Jamie Justesen, Jim Haver, Joe Vinchattle

Mrs. Peterson entered the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Approve Agenda:

Motion: Mr. Sturm

Second: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

2025-2026 District School Calendar Public Hearing

Commendations/Good News/Visitors:

- 5th Grade Musical
- Winter Activities

Comments & Suggestions: None

Consent Agenda: Mrs. Scheffel moved, seconded by Ms. Adkins, that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Discussion: The Consent Agenda included approval of minutes – December 2nd board meeting. Bills recommended for payment. Personnel – Administrative Recommendations: Classified Approval to Employ – Rhawnie Merz, KR NS Associate; Crystal Death, HS NS Associate. Licensed – Resignations/Terminations/Rescinded Offers – Jill Bierbaum, KR Sped Strat II Teacher; Denise Johnson, TH School Counselor. Classified Resignations/Terminations/Rescinded – Scott Price, TH FT Custodian; Joshua Death, TRN Bus Driver. Misc. Assignments – Robert Johnson, officiating; Pet Nepple, services; Peyton Banks, show choir choreography. Miscellaneous Contracts. Gifts/Grafts. Fundraisers. Carried: 7-0

Reports

- Dr. Hoelsing and Project Advocates presented the facility project update including the school performance profile, updated attendance laws, and bond next steps.

Discussion Items

8.01 2025-26 District School Calendar

Dr. Hoelsing presented the 2025-26 District School Calendar.

8.02 LC Board Initial Bargaining Proposal

The Board HR Committee presented its initial bargaining proposal to the LCEA.

8.03 High School Program of Studies

High School Administrators, Jamie Justesen and Jim Haver, presented the changes to the High School Program of Studies.

8.04 900 Series Policy Review – 1st Reading

Dr. Hoelsing presented the 900 Series Policy for first reading.

8.05 Board Policy 203 – Conflict of Interest – 2nd Reading

Dr. Hoelsing presented 4 versions of Board Policy 203 Conflict of Interest on the second reading.

8.06 Go Guardian Renewal

Dr. Hoelsing presented the Go Guardian 3-year renewal in the amount of \$71,122.05.

8.07 Kreft Sewer Repair

Dr. Hoelsing presented the quotes from Viper in the amount of \$40,000 and Burton in the amount of \$45,166.67 to replace 150' of sewer at Kreft. The work will be completed over winter break.

8.08 Professional Services Contract – Lamp Rynearson

Dr. Hoelsing presented the contract with Lamp Rynearson for exploration and soil borings for the High School, Middle School, and Titan Hill parking lots and drives.

8.09 Professional Services Contract – Vestibule Architect

Dr. Hoelsing presented the contracts from BVH in the amount of \$2,500 and BCDM in the amount of \$0.00 for initial design and exploration work for the Kreft and High School vestibule projects.

8.10 Personnel Matter Regarding Employee Resignation (Closed Session)

Closed Session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (a), closed session is appropriate to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for that governmental body's possession or continued receipt of federal funds.

Motion: Mrs. Peterson

Second: Mr. Sorensen

Discussion: None

Carried via Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Peterson, aye; Mrs. Scheffel, aye; Mr. Sorensen, aye; Mr. Sturm, aye; Ms. Adkins, aye; Mrs. McDaniel, aye; and Mr. Wright, aye.

The board entered closed session at 8:35 p.m.

The board exited closed session at 8:41 p.m.

Comments & Suggestions: None

Action Items

10.01 2025-26 District School Calendar

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the calendar as presented for the 2025-26 school year.

Seconded: Ms. Adkins

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.02 High School Program of Studies

Motion by Mr. Sturm to approve the High School Program of Studies for the 2025-26 school year as presented.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.03 Board Policy 203 – Conflict of Interest – 2nd Reading

Motion by Mrs. McDaniel to approve the review and revisions to policy 203 – Conflict of Interest, to include allowing spouses to be hired by the Board but Board Member are not allowed to be employed by the District.

Seconded: Mr. Sorensen

Discussion: None

Failed: 2-5, with Mr. Sturm, Ms. Adkins, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Scheffel, and Mr. Wright opposing

Motion by Ms. Adkins to approve the review and revisions to policy 203 – Conflict of Interest, to include allowing Board Members to be employed by the District and make up to \$2,500 and spouses to be hired by the Board.

Seconded: Mrs. PetersOn

Discussion: None

Carried: 4-3, with Mr. Sturm, Mrs. Scheffel, and Mr. Wright opposing

10.04 Go Guardian Renewal

Motion by Mrs. Scheffel to approve the 3-year Go Guardian Renewal for \$71,122.05.

Seconded: Ms. Adkins

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.05 Kreft Sewer Repair

Motion by Mrs. Scheffel to approve the contract for Kreft Sewer Replacement to Viper Drain and Plumbing for \$40,000.

Seconded: Ms. Adkins

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.06 Professional Services Contract – Lamp Rynearson

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the professional services contract with Lamp Rynearson for a total cost of \$56,300.

Seconded: Mrs. Scheffel

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.07 Professional Services Contract – Vestibule Architect

Motion by Mrs. Scheffel to approve the professional services contract with BCDM for the initial review of the High School and Kreft Vestibule project as presented.

Seconded: Ms. Adkins

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

10.08 Personnel Matter Regarding Employee Resignation

Motion by Mrs. Sorensen to deny a mid-year resignation request.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 7-0

Information/Future Items

*Regular Board Meeting – January 13th at 6:30 p.m.

With no further business before them, at 8:50 p.m. Mrs. Scheffel motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Adkins. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Approved – Tim Wright
President, Lewis Central Board of Education

Andrea Raes
Board Secretary, Lewis Central Board of Education