

**LEWIS CENTRAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025
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: Mrs. McDaniel, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Scheffel, Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Sturm, and Mr. Wright.

Members Absent: Ms. Adkins

Administrators: Dr. Brent Hoelsing, Andrea Raes, Dr. Lisa Hartman, Jim Dermody, Michelle Hoffman

Approve Agenda:

Motion: Mrs. McDaniel

Second: Mr. Sorensen

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

Public Hearing: High School Fire Alarm

Opened at 6:31pm and Closed at 6:32pm

Commendations/Good News/Visitors:

- Winter Sports State Participants Presentation
- Titan Hill Literacy Coaches Presentation
- STEM Teacher of the Year for Region – Dustin Kern

Comments & Suggestions: None

Sorensen exited the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Consent Agenda: Mrs. Peterson moved, seconded by Mrs. McDaniel, that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Discussion: The Consent Agenda included approval of minutes – January 13th board meeting. Bills recommended for payment. Personnel – Administrative Recommendations: Licensed Approval to Employ – Ryan Linke, MS Secondary Instrumental Music Teacher; Adara Chilcoat, HS Secondary Science Teacher. Classified Approval to Employ – Eugene Lang, TRN Bus Monitor; Melissa McClean, TH Paraeducator. Coaches & Sponsors – Approval to Employ – Ryan Koch, Asst Softball Coach. Coaches & Sponsors Resignations/Terminations/Rescinded offers – Tony Duffek, HS Asst Baseball Coach; Coleman Mullenix, HS Asst Track Coach. Licensed Transfers – Kellie Vinchattle, Kreft Primary Associate Principal; Jennifer Johnson – MS Special Education Teacher. Miscellaneous Contracts. Gifts/Grafts. Fundraisers.

Carried: 5-0

Sorensen re-entered the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Reports

- Dr. Hoelsing presented the superintendent update including negotiations, updated calendar, Iowa Assessments, Board strategic workshop along with public survey, and weight room update.
- Dr. Hoelsing presented the Bond Facility Update including an updated timeline for the summer of 2025 projects.

Discussion Items

8.01 High School Fire Alarm

Dr. Hoelsing presented the plans and estimated cost of \$250,000 for the high school fire alarm project.

8.02 Weight Room Equipment

Dr. Hoelsing presented the bid through Sourcewell from Push-Pedal-Pull in the amount of \$168,007 for weight room equipment.

8.03 Weight Room Flooring

Dr. Hoelsing presented the bids from Push-Pedal-Pull in the amount of \$42,802.56 and Kelly's in the amount of \$35,842.05 for removing and replacing the weight room flooring.

8.04 Budget Guarantee Resolution

Andrea Raes presented the Budget Guarantee Resolution. If the legislature sets a low Supplement State Aid coupled with Our resident enrollment decline, we will be eligible for the Budget Guarantee.

8.05 Van Purchase

Dr. Hoelsing presented the purchase agreement for a used 12 passenger van in the amount of \$37,490 including a trade of an old van.

8.06 Setting the date, time, and location of the First Public Hearing and setting the Initial Maximum Property Tax

Andrea Raes presented the proposed first public hearing of April 7, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Education Resource Center and setting the Initial Maximum Property Tax of \$20,785,821. This is an estimated amount as the legislature has not set SSA.

8.07 Employee Requests for Other Paid or Unpaid Leave (Closed Session)

Closed Session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1) (i), closed session is appropriate to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

Motion: Mr. Sturm

Second: Mr. Sorensen

Discussion: None

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

The board entered closed session at 7:42 p.m.

The board exited closed session at 7:50 p.m.

Comments & Suggestions: None

Action Items

10.01 High School Fire Alarm

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the High School Fire Alarm specs and RFP as presented.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.02 Weight Room Equipment

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the purchase of the Weight Room Equipment from Push Pedal Pull for \$168,007.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.03 Weight Room Flooring

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the Weight Room Flooring bid to Kelly's Carpet for \$35,842.05.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.04 Budget Guarantee Resolution

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve authorizing the Board of Directors of the Lewis Central Community School District to levy property tax for fiscal year 2025-2026 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14 of the Code of Iowa.

Seconded: Mrs. McDaniel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.05 Van Purchase

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve the van purchase from Edwards Auto for \$37,490.

Seconded: Mrs. Scheffel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.06 Setting the date, time, and location of the First Public Hearing and setting the Initial Maximum Property Tax

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve setting the first budget public hearing on April 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Education Resource Center and setting the initial maximum property tax at \$20,785,821.

Seconded: Mrs. Scheffel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

10.07 Employee Requests for Leave

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve unpaid leave for Employee A.

Seconded: Mrs. Scheffel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

Motion by Mr. Sorensen to approve other paid leave for Employee B.

Seconded: Mrs. Scheffel

Discussion: None

Carried: 6-0

Information/Future Items

*Regular Board Meeting – March 17th at 6:30 p.m.

With no further business before them, at 7:57 p.m. Mr. Sturm motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. McDaniel. 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