

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 - LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING
July 15, 2009**

The Laramie County School District No. 2 board meeting was held at Albin Elementary School, Albin, Wyoming on July 15, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Esther Davison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Jack Bomhoff, Esther Davison, Patty Epler,
Jeff Kirkbride, Julianne Randall, Steve Trimble and Jack Cozort

Members Absent – Wynema Thompson, Tom Morgan, Sue Anderson

Also Present – Ben Cossel, Brent Bacon, Sue Stevens, Mark Basham,
Rob Bryant, Jeaneane Parsons

CONSENT AGENDA

The Old Business items were moved to the end of the agenda at 9.1. COW meeting minutes at 2.1.5.1 and 2.12 amendment of the 2008–’09 budget.

Motion: Patty Epler moved to approve the consent agenda as amended.

Second: Jeff Kirkbride seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Jack Bomhoff explained to the patrons that the executive session could be a lengthy discussion and no action would be taken after the executive session and that is why it was put at the end of the meeting in case patrons wanted to leave. Everyone is welcome to stay for the completion of the meeting if they so desire.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED GRANT APPLICATION

Mr. Bacon gave a short report on the federal grants (see page 28 of board packet). The total allocation is a ball park figure.

Motion: Patty Epler moved to allow Mr. Bacon to pursue the allocations for LCSD #2 by submitting the application for the Consolidated Grant for the 2009-2010 school year.

Second: Steve Trimble seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved that LCSD #2 advertise and complete the process to dispose of the surplus buses in the district according to the procedures required under Wyoming Statue and WDE rules.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR CLERICAL POSITION AT CENTRAL OFFICE

A request has been made from the central office to change the 1.0 clerical position to a .5 position to handle the workload after an employee retired.

Motion: Patty Epler moved to approve the request to change a 1.0FTE position in the central office to a .50FTE position and that advertisements for the reduced position be started and, if possible, return with the name of a candidate by the August 10th board meeting.

Second: Steve Trimble seconded the motion.

Patty Epler stated that the understanding is if it is decided that a full-time position is needed, it will be brought back to the Board.

Vote: Motion carried

APPROVE REQUEST FOR STUDENT TO ATTEND VIRTUAL ACADEMY

Mr. Cozort explained that The Wyoming Virtual Academy is a public school distance learning program offered by Niobrara County School District #1 which is authorized by the WDE. The Distance Education Program Rules and Regulations require that each student enrolled have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Niobrara School District and the resident district on file prior to their course start date.

Motion: Steve Trimble moved that the Board table this item (2.11) until the August Meeting when actual MOU's are received from the Wyoming Virtual Academy with dollar estimates.

Second: Jack Bomhoff seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried

AMENDMENT TO THE 2008-2009 BUDGET

Mr. Bryant explained that there were some minor changes to the budget due to accounting code cleanup which will help in reporting to the state correctly.

Motion: Patty Epler moved that the Board accept and approve the final amendment to the 2008-2009 budget as presented by Mr. Bryant.

Second: Juliann Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION

Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to accept the resignation of Joel Hayano as junior high football coach at Burns High School and that this position be advertized.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Amendment: Mr. Bomhoff amended the motion to accept the resignation of Joel Hayano as junior high football coach at Burns High School and that the Board declare the position open for applications if number of players warrant an additional coach.

Second: Jeff Kirkbride seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Mr. Hayano was thanked for his coaching work with the kids at Burns.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The school district has received one check from the county treasurer for \$35,000 which makes up about 0.2% of the budgeted revenues. Excluding encumbrances we have expended 2.2%; including encumbrances 68.8% of the budget.

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to accept the financial report as submitted by Mr. Bryant.
Second: Jack Bomhoff seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

PATRON COMMENTS

Mark Basham reported that the Virtual Academy is planning to have a booth at Frontier Days.

POLICY UPDATES/DISCUSSION/ACTIONS

Discussion ensued regarding the 2nd reading of Policy GCA/GDA and Policy GCI/GDI

- Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to approve Policy Code GCA/GDA as second reading concerning staff positions.
Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried with one opposed vote from Jeff Kirkbride.
Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to approve policy GCI/GDI as second reading with the third paragraph reading: All employee transfers must be approved by the Board. Classified/Certified transfers will be presented at least the month prior to any such transfer. Emergency transfers may be completed immediately with follow up approval from the Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting.
Second: Steve Trimble seconded the motion.
Jeff Kirkbride voiced his concern with the policy changes and would like to debate it more at the August meeting.
Vote: Carried with one opposed vote from Jeff Kirkbride.

IMPORTANT DATES

- August 5, 2009 COW Meeting
August 10, 2009 Board Meeting at Burns High School
August 13, 2009 Board Retreat in Cheyenne
August 20, 2009 Board Construction Tour
August 18-25, 2009 Back to School Staff Development Activities
August 26, 2009 Students First Day

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Mr. Cozort reported that the substitute policy may need to be updated. He will address this at a later date.

The K-12 Foreign Language Program will be facing a reduction in funding which could be around \$500,000. Linda Carter, curriculum coordinator, has not yet heard from the

State regarding this. Mr. Cozort will come back to the Board when there is additional information to share.

Motion: Jack Bomhoff made a motion to recess at 8:00 to go in to the Budget Hearing meeting.
The Board reconvened the regular meeting at 8:41 p.m.

A dedication plaque for Burns Elementary was discussed. It was decided to include the names of previous board members who worked on this project, but no titles would be included on the plaque.

Motion: Jack Bomhoff made a motion to go in to executive session to discuss personnel at 8:45 p.m.
Second: Patty Epler seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.
Motion: Julianne Randall moved to reconvene the meeting at 9:50 p.m.
Second: Jeff Kirkbride seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Steve Trimble moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m.
Second: Jack Bomhoff seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Clerk