

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 - LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING
April 11, 2011**

The Laramie County School District No. 2 board meeting was held at Pine Bluffs High School, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming on April 11, 2011.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing convened at 6:57 p.m. regarding Albin land. Chair Davison asked if there were any concerns from the board or public regarding the disposition of select parcels of land from the school district to the Town of Albin. There were none.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present – Jack Bomhoff, Esther Davison, Jeff Kirkbride, Lee May, Julianne Randall, Kristen Smith, Wynema Thompson and Steve Trimble

Members Absent – Tom Morgan

Superintendent: Jack Cozort

Also Present – Elaina Ilminen, Brent Bacon, Debra Hirsig, Kathy Thrush, Terri Fiorelli, Todd Bishop, Michelle Mechels, Billie Wilson, Connie Janson, Wendy Staffer, Tansie Derner, Justin Derner, Kurt Wilson, Rob Bryant and Jeaneane Parsons

GENERAL BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Lee May moved to accept the agenda.

Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Lori Trevillyan, grade school teacher in Albin, received the Newcomb Grant which is for first year teachers. She will be using the funds for a classroom library. Congratulations, Lori!

Billie Wilson, representing Burns High School parents, presented the Board with a petition that had 27 signatures on it to retain Mike Brownawell as their principal. The Board will take this under advisement and will respond within 30 days.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Lee May moved to approve the consent agenda with the change from

Tom Hirsig to Tom Morgan on a motion in the regular meeting minutes of March 14, 2011.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

FINANCES

Motion: Julianne Randall made a motion to accept the warrants as presented.

Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

A handout was given to the Board with enrollment statistics. On April 1 of this year we had 929 students, up 67 students from April 1, 2010. Student population as of April 11 was 930. Mr. Bryant reported that we are currently through April 11, 2011 and have expended/encumbered 93.7% of the budgeted amount and have expended 67.7% of the budgeted amount. This compares with the same period in April 2010 when the district had expended/encumbered 93.9% of the budgeted amount and had expended 67.5% of the budgeted amount. We are currently through April 6, 2011 and have received 90.1% of the budgeted revenues. This compares with April 6, 2010 when we had received 96.4% of the budgeted revenues.

Motion: Lee May moved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Second: Wynema Thompson seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Accept Financial Advisory Firm: Selected Projects

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to approve Kaiser and Company as the financial advisory firm to provide services for a proposed general obligation bond for enhancement to District facilities.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Amend: Jeff Kirkbride amended the motion to be contingent on the review of the financial agreement giving Mr. Cozort and Mr. Bryant the ability to proceed.

Vote: Motion carried.

Policy JICG/JICH – 2nd Reading

Chair Davison explained that this policy will now include “spice” drugs and asked if there were any comments from patrons or the board.

Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to accept Policy JICG as second reading, making it effective immediately.

Second: Lee May seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Policy GCCA (Leave Bank) – 2nd Reading

Chair Davison asked if there were any comments from patrons or the board.

Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to approve policy GCCA on 2nd reading, effective immediately.
Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Lee May moved to go in to executive session to discuss personnel at 7:20 p.m.
Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.
Motion: Wynema Thompson moved to reconvene the meeting at 8:46 p.m.
Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Hire Recommendations for Certified Staff for 2011-2012:

The Board welcomed back Continuing Contract Teachers.

Motion: Wynema Thompson moved to approve the following teachers as initial moving to continuing: Brian Cox, Emily Cuin, Andrew Davis, Sharon Duffey, Jenna Enevoldsen, Christina Gorman, Nicole Horrocks, Sean Patterson, Nikki Poelma, Kristen Prager, LeAnn Smith and Carisa Will.

Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Lee May moved to approve the following teachers as initial contract teachers: Heather Goodwine, Amber Imel, Kayla Newman, Alexis Nikirk, Allen Merrill, Tamra Peden, Drew Severen, Kaycee Tidyman and Lori Trevillyan.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to approve the following as certificated support staff: David Briggs, Andria Cassel and Jerry Becking.

Second: Lee May seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Accept Extra Duty Positions 2011-2012:

Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to accept the extra duty listing with the exception of the assistant football coach at Burns.

Chair Davison explained that they want to wait with the assistant football coaches until a head football coach has been named.

Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Accept Proposed Calendar 2011-2012:

Mr. Cozort explained that the staff had received 4 drafts (options 1,2,3 and 4) of the calendar for consideration.

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to give Mr. Cozort the authority to give the beginning and ending dates, for the school year 2011-2012, to the school counselors and that the actual calendar will be approved at the next board meeting.
- Second: Jack Bomhoff seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

Approval of Conveyance of Albin Property:

The plat was approved by the Board on November 8, 2010 and the Town Council that same month. It has been recorded with the county and a preliminary title commitment on the lots in question has been ordered and performed by First American Title. The School Facilities commission has been notified of the proposed conveyance.

- Motion: Jack Bomhoff moved to approve the transfer of Albin School First Filing Block 1, Lots 1 and 4 to the Town of Albin and for authorization to Business Manager, Rob Bryant, to finalize the agreement and conveyance of those properties.
- Second: Lee May seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

Approve Designated Depositories:

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved that Wyoming Bank and Trust and Points West Community Bank be approved as designated depositories for the school district through April, 2012.
- Second: Steve Trimble seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

HIRE, TRANSFERS AND RESIGNATIONS

- Motion: Wynema Thompson moved to accept the resignations of the head Jr. High Football Coach in Burns and the Assistant Jr. High Football Coach in Burns.
- Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

- Motion: Lee May moved to accept the retirement of William Fullmer and Brenda Anderson.

Chair Davison stated that she has taught with both these individuals and appreciates what they have done for students. They will be missed.

- Second: Wynema Thompson seconded the motion.

Lee May expressed his thanks also.

- Vote: Motion carried.

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to hire Deb Carpenter-Nolting and Justin Earnshaw as English teachers in Burns for the 2011-2012 school year.
- Second: Kristin Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to hire Sean Patterson Jr.High Track and Drew Severn High School track in Burns (due to additional numbers); Will Gray, Alexis Nikirk and Catherine Reeves for Pine Bluffs track.

Second: Wynema Thompson seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to accept John Wendling, Angela Wendling and Sarah Skinner as sub teachers; Claire Jividen as a sub para and Roger Ashworth as a sub bus driver.

Second: Lee May seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to hire Jennifer Mittl for the Special Ed Department at Burns Elementary.

Second: Lee May seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Wynema Thompson moved to accept the transfer of Mindy Parmenter to the para position in the behavior lab at Burns Elementary and the transfer of Jennifer Mittl to the speech and language para position at BEL, BHS and CEL, which is considered a dual transfer.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to accept the summer groundskeeper/custodial and summer technology list for the summer of 2011.

Second: Jack Bomhoff seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Calendar Dates and Information for the Board:

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| May 4, 2011 | COW Mtg. @ Pine Bluffs |
| May 9, 2011 | Regular Meeting @ Albin |
| June 8, 2011 | COW Mtg. @ Burns |
| June 13, 2011 | Regular Meeting @ Burns |
| June 27, 2011 | Special Mtg. End of Year @ Pine Bluffs |

(Additional dates were given through August at the Board meeting, with a reminder that the July meeting is combined with the budget meeting on July 20th.)

The minutes of the April COW meeting were included in the packet.

The ARRA Fund Expenditures were reported by Mr. Bacon in the board packet.

The Vision/Mission/Goals statement is being worked on and will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

Jack Bomhoff proposed a Residency Requirement Policy and asked if anyone wanted to pursue this. It will be discussed at the next COW meeting and put on the agenda for the next board meeting.

PLA was briefly discussed. Two of our schools are in the top ten in the state of Wyoming. Work needs to be done for other schools.

An invitation was given to the Board for the Carpenter Elementary Literacy Night on Monday, April 18.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davison adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk