

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 - LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING
March 12, 2012**

The Laramie County School District No. 2 board meeting was held at Pine Bluffs High School, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming on March 12, 2012.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair May called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present –Jeff Kirkbride, Lee May, Tom Morgan, Julianne Randall, Kristen Smith, Steve Trimble

Members Absent – Jack Bomhoff, Esther Davison, Wynema Engstrom

Superintendent - Jack Cozort

Also Present – Laurie Bahl, Brent Bacon, Jerry Becking, LeAnn Smith, Todd Sweeter, Jerry Burkett, Alice Krakow, Elaina Ilminen, Jerry & Lori Bowman, Rob Bryant and Jeaneane Parsons

GENERAL BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Cozort informed the board that he inserted a new agenda in their handbooks since there were a couple of things added to the agenda.

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to accept the agenda as presented.

Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Patron Comments: Alice Krakow presented the Board with a letter which had questions for consideration.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to approve the consent agenda (a,b & c).

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

FINANCES

Motion: Tom Morgan moved to accept the warrants as presented.

Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Mr. Bryant reported that we are currently through March 6, 2012 and have received 78.0% of the budgeted revenues. This compares with March 6, 2011 when we had received 89.7% of the budgeted revenues. We have currently expended/encumbered 93.8% of the budgeted amount and have expended

60.6% of the budgeted amount. This compares with the same time period in March 2011 when the district had expended/encumbered 92.1% of the budgeted amount and had expended 57.8% of the budgeted amount. Enrollment as of March 1 is 927, up two students from a month ago and down one student a year ago.

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to accept the financial report as presented.
Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Bid for Broadband Connection/Grant Funds

The grant for school improvement has allowed the District to seek bids and approve costs that will substantially increase the bandwidth speed for Pine Bluffs High School and the overall connections within the District. We received two responses, one from Collins Communication and the other from RT Communications. A bid tabulation sheet was included in the Board packet.

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to accept RT Communications to install Broadband Connection to Pine Bluffs and overall connections within the District for the amount of \$71,194.00. In addition the district (using grant funds) will purchase the material and equipment needed on their side of the connection process.
Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

Removal of Policy DFF: Student Activity Funds

New policies concerning student activity funds have been completed and approved. Therefore, there is no need for policy DFF.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved that the District remove policy DFF.
Second: Steve Trimble seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy KIB and KIB-E: Sex Offenders on School Property

Vice Chair May asked if there were any comments from the public or board on this policy. There were none.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to approve KIB on first reading.
Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.
Motion: Tom Morgan moved to approve KIB-E on first reading.
Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
Vote: Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Julianne Randall moved to go in to executive session at 7:22 to discuss personnel.
Second: Kristen Smith seconded the motion.

The meeting reconvened at 8:13 p.m.

Hire Recommendations for 2012-2013:

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to offer a contract to Rob Bryant as the Director of Business Operations, and other duties assigned, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.
- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to offer a contract to Dr. LeAnn Smith as part-time Principal, and other duties assigned, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.
- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to offer a contract to Laurie Bahl, Sue Stevens, Jerry Becking, Jerry Burkett and Todd Sweeter as principals, and other duties as assigned, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.
- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to offer a contract to Brent Bacon, Director of Special Services, and other duties as assigned, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

Request from Burns High School – Additional Track Coach

A 6th track coach was requested because additional students will be participating in track bumping the number to around 68. Mr. Becking confirmed that this is a needed request for student safety, etc.

- Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to approve the 6th Track Coach at Burns High School.
- Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

Julianne Randall stated that she would like to see extra support for vocational teachers, music teachers because of the need for extra supervision, especially at contest time. She asked the principals for data on the need in those areas so hopefully something could be done for next year.

HIRE, TRANSFERS AND RESIGNATIONS

The Board acknowledged the resignations of Paul Gibson (PBHS), Kristin Prager (PBEL), Jenna Enevoldsen (BHS), Leland Ostrander (PBHS), Ronnie Olson (Transportation) and Susan Mills (Transportation Para).

- Motion: Tom Morgan moved to find a replacement for Mrs. Mills as soon as possible.
- Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.
- Motion: Julianne Randall moved to hire Allen Merrill (JH Assistant Track Coach) and Lori Trevillyan (HS Assistant Track Coach) for the 2012 track season.
- Second: Tom Morgan seconded the motion.
- Vote: Motion carried.

Jeff Kirkbride stated that the positions were approved at a prior meeting. The Board is approving personnel for these positions this evening.

Motion: Tom Morgan moved to start advertizing for job positions that need to be filled.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

Motion: Jeff Kirkbride moved to approve Rhonda Morrison and Michael Skinner as subs for the District.

Second: Julianne Randall seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Calendar Dates and Information for the Board:

April 4, 2012	COW Meeting – Burns
April 10, 2012	Regular Meeting – Albin
May 9, 2012	COW Meeting – Pine Bluffs
May 14, 2012	Regular Meeting – Burns
May 20, 2012	Graduation

(Burns has changed their time of graduation to 1:30.p.m.)

(June, July, August and September dates were also shared.)

Mr. Cozort shared a breakdown of the legislature bills and the impact they could/will have on the District.

Laurie Bahl gave a short report on the PEBC who worked with pilot teachers in the classroom. She is encouraged with the progress that has been made.

Todd Sweeter reported that on Monday and Wednesday Chris Olson is working with about 12 employees in the Quantum area. He is very encouraged to see how Quantum is working in the District.

Jack Cozort reported that representatives from CLI are here and it is a wrap-up of 3 major sessions. They are preparing for 2 years away.

EGAD and EGAD-R (copyright policy and duplicating copyrighted materials) may come up next month at the Board meeting.

Mr. Cozort reported that the latest audit report was clean. There were “no findings of exchange.” He congratulated Rob Bryant and his staff for a job well done.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair May adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk