

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 14, 2019

President Mitch Feldman called the regular meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Howard, Marie Sweley, Jim Holm, Steve Heapy, April Gross and Mitch Feldman.

Visitors: Susan Poland.

President Mitch Feldman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room, and also indicated the instructions for those who wish to speak during the public forum.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Bill Howard made a motion to approve as read the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Steve Heapy. Motion carried 6-0.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$971,597.77 in the district treasury. Payroll and claims in the amount of \$213,370.15 were presented for payment. Jim Holm made a motion to pay the claims. Second by April Gross. Motion carried 6-0.

Matt Drew reported on the Individual NSCAS Scores and report cards have been mailed out, ELA Alignment, MTSS Installation, Have contacted ESU to email down lists automatically, and Mrs. Varah getting NTV Teacher of the Month. He also did a slide presentation to show us the data and breakdown of the results of the NSCAS scores.

In the Superintendent's Report Wade Finley discussed election of officers, federal programs administrator, personnel resignation, Fort Kearney Conference, school calendar, building and grounds, and Superintendent and Board Evaluations.

Marie Sweley made a motion to recommend that all current officers retain their positions. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill Howard made a motion to recommend that Wade Finley be assigned as the Litchfield Public Schools Federal Programs Administrator for 2019. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board discussed the resignation of Mariah Sekutera with regrets but totally understands why she needs to move on. Jenny Ritchie will be moved up to the elementary para position. The progression of moving into the Fort Kearney Conference is progressing faster than Finley thought would and just waiting on a formality of second vote to be a done deal, also discussed the 2019-2020 school calendar.

Jim Holm made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Superintendent Evaluations and the Board evaluations will be discussed next month as Mitch wasn't able to go over all of them. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 6-0.

President Mitch Feldman reinstated the intent of entering executive session was to discuss Superintendent Evaluations.

The Board entered Executive session at 8:11 p.m.

Marie Sweley made a motion to exit executive session. Second by April Gross. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:46 p.m.

Jim Holm made a motion to approve 2019-2020 Superintendent contract with an automatic renewal clause and an additional \$2000.00 increase in pay. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 6-0.

Jim Holm made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 6-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be at 7:30 p.m. on February 18, 2017. The agenda is a continuous agenda and is available for examination during regular hours at the office of the Superintendent. Public notice of the meeting will be given in the Small Town Times Newsletter and in the Sherman County Times.

Marie Sweley  
Board Secretary