

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2017

President Mitch Feldman called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Howard, Marie Sweley, Jim Holm, Steve Heapy, and Mitch Feldman. Todd Wardyn was absent and excused.

Visitors: Rebecca Vega, Sherrie Klein and Husband.

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 5-0.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$607,533.87 in the district treasury. Payroll and claims in the amount of \$215,627.99 (this amount includes claims from Trane and State Glass for coil replacement and State Glass) were presented for payment. Steve Heapy made a motion to pay the claims. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Wade Finley reported on the 4-12th grades attending a Digital Citizenship/Online Safety assemblies in Loup City. The donation of beef to the school through the Farm to School program and the presentations by different organization that Mr. Johnson lined up. The agenda for the teacher in-service to be held on the 25th and the upcoming external visitation and staff renewing CPR and Epi-Pen training, and then finishing up MAPS testing this last week.

In the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Maline discussed swearing in of new board members, election of officers, personnel, open teaching positions, federal programs administrator, school calendar, long range planning, NASB legislative issues conference, and transition of the new superintendent.

President Mitch Feldman read the oath of office and Jim Holm, Steve Heapy, and Mitch Feldman said I do.

Bill Howard made a motion to recommend that all current officers retain their positions. Second by Steve Heapy. Motion carried 5-0.

In the Open Teaching Positions discussion the board discussed the need to hire a Para if our preschool enrollment is over 10 students, and applications to date are 21 for the principal position and 13 for the Kindergarten position.

Marie Sweley made a motion to recommend that Wade Finley be assigned as the Litchfield Public Schools Federal Programs Administrator for 2017. Second by Jim Holm. Motion carried 5-0.

Marie Sweley made the motion to accept the proposed school calendar for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. Second by Steve Heapy. Motion carried 5-0.

Steve Heapy made a motion to add 100 hours to The Superintendent's current contract to help with aiding in the transition of the new superintendent. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Jim Holm made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 5-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be at 7:30 p.m. on February 20, 2017. The agenda is a continuous agenda and is available for examination during regular school 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