

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2016

President Todd Wardyn called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members present: Steve Heapy, Bill Howard, Marie Sweley, Todd Wardyn, Mitch Feldman, and Jim Holm came in late.

Visitors: Cannon Blauvelt, Susan Poland, Jeralynn and Brian Moser.

President Todd Wardyn 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. Mitch Feldman made a motion to approve as read the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Todd Wardyn. Motion carried 5-0.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$1,182,425.13 in the district treasury. Payroll and claims in the amount of \$191,739.87 were presented for payment. Mitch Feldman made a motion to pay the claims. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Kjar reported on Christmas Concert, End of quarter/semester rewards assembly, Next round of MAPS testing, NESAs writing tests, Parent-Teacher conference, resignation of Mr. Kirby as our 7-12 Agriculture/Industrial Tech Teacher, posting of weekly schedule on the homepage, hosting a dual with Arcadia/Loup City for wrestling and release of 16/17 football schedule on February 10th; Mrs. Kluender reported on End of Second Quarter Assembly, Video game station that our Game Design class created, Using the Cube for the Christmas Program, and 2nd Quarter rewards program, Five Elementary teachers attended the Adolescent Literacy Project training, and Testing session starting for MAPS

In the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Maline discussed: Election of Board Officers, Approval of District Federal Programs Administrator, Technology Survey Results for Students and Staff, Technology Proposal, Long Range Planning, Van Purchase, Policies Review and Approval, Facility Management and Meeting Notes, School calendar, Co-op Meeting will be held Friday, January 29th at 11:30 a.m. at Ansley School, Board and Superintendent Evaluation, and Teacher Negotiations.

Todd Wardyn nominated Mitch Feldman for President. Second by Steve Heapy. Todd Wardyn ceased the nominations. Mitch Feldman was elected President. Motion carried 5-0 with one abstention, Holm.

Todd Wardyn nominated Jim Holm for Vice President. Second by Steve Heapy. Marie Sweley ceased nominations. Jim Holm was elected Vice President. Motion carried 5-0 with one abstention, Holm.

Todd Wardyn nominated to reelect the following officers to their positions. Second by Bill Howard. Steve Heapy was reelected Treasurer. Motion carried 5-0 with one abstention, Heapy. Marie Sweley was reelected Secretary. Motion carried 5-0 with one abstention, Sweley.

Todd Wardyn recommended that the superintendent of Litchfield Public School be approved as the district's federal programs administrator for 2016. Second by Steve Heapy. Motion carried 6-0.

Todd Wardyn recommended the policies 905.07, 412.02, 508.05, 410.03, and 410.03.1 for 2nd reading approval. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 6-0.

Todd Wardyn made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Teacher Negotiations. Second by Jim Holm. Motion carried 6-0.

President Mitch Feldman restated the intent for Executive Session was to discuss Teacher Negotiations.

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:43 p.m.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:09 p.m.

The Board passed the negotiated agreement to set the teacher base at \$32,800 for 2016-2017 and \$33,400 for 2017-2018. Other items approved in the formal contract included movement of several extra duty positions and approval of the \$750 deductible plan for health insurance for the next two years.

Marie Sweley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m. Second by Jim Holm. Motion carried 6-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be at 7:30 p.m. on February 15, 2016. 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