

Lewiston Consolidated Schools
School Board Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2025

A regular meeting of the District 69 Board of Education, Pawnee County, was held on Tuesday, July 15th, at 7:30 p.m., the meeting being open to the public and proceeded in notice as required by law. Notice of this meeting was given to the President and all members of the Board and a copy of the acknowledgement of notice and the agenda is noted in the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the public in advanced notice and to the President of the Board and all Board members.

The meeting was called to order, the Open Meetings Law poster recognized, and verbal notice that the meeting was recorded was given by the President and on a roll call vote, the following members were present: Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Stake, and Wehrbein. Excused Absence: none. Also present: Todd Halverson, Emily Bohling and several visitors.

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Bredemeier “to approve the agenda as presented.” Those voting in favor of said motion: Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Stake, Wehrbein, and Bredemeier. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Visitor comments. There were no comments.

Moved by Stake and seconded by Mencl “to approve Consent Agenda items 4.1, June 16th meeting minutes, 4.2, June Treasurers Report with an ending balance of \$1,682,365.14, 4.3, General Fund Claims in the amount of \$70,207.48, payroll in the amount of \$241,104.67, 4.4, Isabella Jimenez employment agreement, 4.5, and Nicole Haack employment agreement, as presented. Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Searcey, Stake, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, and Mencl. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Discussion was held regarding the Ag Building. No formal action was taken.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Bredemeier “to approve the annual NRCSA dues as presented”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Stake, and Wehrbein. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Stake “to appoint Todd Halverson, Superintendent of Schools, as the district representative for all State and Federal programs including REAP, Title I, Title IX, Homeless Liaison, serve as the district’s nondiscrimination coordinator, suicide prevention coordinator, and board secretary for the 2025-2026 school year and to approve the designation of duties for Todd Halvorsen as presented, including banking privileges at Pinnacle Bank with full authority”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Stake, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule and Searcey. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Stake and seconded by Mencl “to appoint Juli Smith, Principal, as Tech Prep Advisory Representative, Drug & Alcohol Advisory Representative, and Multicultural Liaison for the 2025-2026 school year”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Stake, and Wehrbein. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Wehrbein and seconded by Stake “to approve the 25-26 fees and rates as presented”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule, Bredemeier, Mencl, Searcey, Stake, and Wehrbein. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Wehrbein and seconded by Bredemeier “to approve the Activity Bus rates at \$20.00 per hour”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule, Searcey, Stake, and Wehrbein. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Bredemeier and seconded by Rule “to approve the Additional Base Growth % Allowed at 7% with Board Approval with the stipulation that the public be able to make comment as presented”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Stake, Bredemeier, Mencl, Rule and Searcey. Those opposed: Wehrbein. Motion carried, 5-1.

Discussion was held regarding the 25-26 handbooks. No formal action was taken.

There was no Principal’s report.

Todd Halvorsen, Superintendent, updated the board on upcoming workshops, and additional ongoing projects.

Moved by Stake and seconded by Bredemeier “to adjourn at 8:43p.m.”. Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Stake, Wehrbein, Bredemeier, Rule, and Mencl. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, August 13th, at 7:30 p.m. A board workshop was scheduled for Monday, July 21st, 2025.

Todd Halvorsen
Board Secretary