

April 8, 2024

Vice President Shannon O'Bryan called the meeting for Lamar School District Re-2 Board of Education Regular meeting to order on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices. Present: Directors Jake Chamberlain, Jerrod Grice (via ZOOM), Travis Hall, Cody Laughlin, Lanie Meyers-Mireles (via ZOOM), Shannon O'Bryan, and Rick Robbins.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Also present were our student board members, Vanessa Chairez, Drew Durst, and Hallie Mackey, Superintendent Chad Krug and Terri Farmer, Secretary to the Board.

Among those in the audience that signed in were Kathleen LaCost, Kenneth Davis, Kaitlyn LaCost, Heather Whisenand, Barbara Crimond, Tammy Benabides, and Greg Eddy.

**AUDIENCE**

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

It was moved by Director Robbins, seconded by Director Hall to approve the revised agenda. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Agenda

It was moved by Director Chamberlain, seconded by Director Robbins to approve the board minutes from the March 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and March 27, 2024 Special Board Meeting. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan, and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Board Minutes

Secretary to the Board Terri Farmer read a thank you note from Bent County for use of buses during the Boggsville fire.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Krug shared the updated flier on the scoreboard with the additional panel for advertising we requested. Also with the addition of play clocks, one in each end zone.

**REPORTS**  
Stadium Project

There is a new house bill making sure websites are fully compliant to the needs of visually impaired or hearing or a plan in to be in place. A lot in the air still with budget for next year

Legislative Update

No Update

BOCES Update

Students were wondering if food truck could be used for After Prom activities.

Student Board Members

Heather Whisenand shared the recent Career Fair and LCC campus tour. The fair was held March 6, we had 19 presenters, each student had opportunity to visit 3 different presenters. The students utilized a career interest inventory and Xello to help choose what careers to visit. 5th grade students had the opportunity to visit LCC campus. They enjoyed a scavenger hunt to explore different parts of the campus.

Parkview Counselor

Mrs. Dunning informed the board that they have 45 students that attend daily. Additional 10 students for expulsion and 8 online for credit recovery. 25 students have finished or are on track to graduate on time. 31 seniors in the program that will graduate with 4 that are questionable. She shared the importance of non-traditional students that benefit from our program. Many different challenges through economic hardship, family issues, flexibility of schedule, social emotional, and breaking the cycle are just a few. The "Rose Ceremony" will be held on May 2nd.

**Principal Update**  
Rachel Dunning, LEAP

It was moved by Director Hall, seconded by Director Robbins to approve the 2nd reading of policy ICA-E, District Calendar for 2024-25 SY. Members voting aye: Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan, and Robbins. No: Chamberlain Motion Passed 6 to 1.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
MOTION**  
Approve 2nd Reading

It was moved by Director Chamberlain, seconded by Director Meyers-Mireles to approve scoreboard with additional items with more research about the play clocks. After discussion there was clarity regarding the play clocks and Director Chamberlain modified his motion to approve scoreboard with all additional items as presented. Director Hall seconded the motion. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan, and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Stadium  
Scoreboard w/Additional

It was moved by Director Robbins, seconded by Director Laughlin to approve the consent agenda including payroll and bills for March. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan, and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**NEW BUSINESS  
MOTION**  
Approve Consent Agenda

It was moved by Director Chamberlain, seconded by Director Hall to approve the following Travel Study Trip Requests: LHS Band & Noteables to Elitch Gardens in Denver on May 4, 2024; LMS students to Colorado Springs for Girls on the Run on May 11, 2024; LHS Yearbook student to Coronado High School on April 30, 2024; LHS DECA students to International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, CA on April 26-May 1, 2024; LMS 6th graders to Pueblo Zoo on May 13, 2024; LHS FFA students to Career Development Events in Fort Collins on April 28 & 29, 2024; LHS Art Club to Denver & Boulder on April 26 & 27, 2024. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Travel Study  
Trip Requests

It was moved by Director Laughlin, seconded by Director Hall to approve the following resignations: Stacey Alvarez/1st Grade Teacher/Washington (Effective 5-17-24); Jamee Bradley/Special Education Teacher/LHS (Effective 5-17-24); Whitney Hodges/1st Grade Teacher/Washington (Effective 5-17-24); Jenna Randle/Marketing Teacher/LHS (Effective 5-17-24) & DECA Sponsor/LHS (Effective 6-17-27) (Extra Duty); Sindy Zavala Pacheco/Special Education Paraprofessional/LHS (Effective 3-19-24). Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Resignations

It was moved by Director Hall, seconded by Director Robbins to approve the retirement of Bonnie Wood/Special Education Paraprofessional/LHS (Effective 5-17-24). Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Retirement

It was moved by Director Robbins, seconded by Director Chamberlain to approve the hiring of Christjan Nieschburg/Assistant Baseball Coach/LMS (Extra Duty) for 2023-24 SY. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Hiring for  
2023-24 SY

It was moved by Director Hall, seconded by Director Grice to approve the following hirings for the 2024-25 SY: Alexandria Brungardt/Certified Teacher/Washington; Zoey Gibson-Loflin/Marketing Teacher/LHS & DECA Sponsor/LHS (Extra Duty), Sarah Jaime/Certified Teacher/Washington; and Jericka Melgoza/Certified Teacher/Washington. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve Hirings for  
2024-25 SY

It was moved by Director Meyers-Mireles, seconded by Director Chamberlain to approve Non-Probationary Contracts for 2024-25 SY. Members voting aye: Chamberlain, Grice, Hall, Laughlin, Meyers-Mireles, O'Bryan and Robbins. No: None. Motion Passed.

**MOTION**  
Approve  
Non-Probationary  
Contracts for 24-25

Dr. Krug shared the summary of the board's work and has created a document that shows the board it is a work in progress. There are about 5 themes with many sub goals. Will work with the building administration to tighten the goals to make them happen. The document will be a living resource and changes will be continuous.

**STRATEGIC PLAN  
UPDATE**

Dr. Krug reported that the stadium work is in a delay with the state approving permits. We are not way off schedule, but work has been shifted while waiting on approval. Still in process of updating Phase 3 - community survey - working with financial experts. Conversations of new courses at high school for new pathway for students. Student board members provided insight into new course offerings for students. They highlighted "motivation" as well as "soft skills and career traits" as key components to student success and engagement. It was a helpful dialogue as we work to consider increasing course offerings for secondary students. Student Board member applications for 24-25 school year are due April 30. Dr. Krug shared he is working with the current student board members to present at the May meeting.

**SUPERINTENDENT  
REPORT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Monday, May 13, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

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Lanie Meyers-Mireles, President

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Jerrod Grice, Secretary