

MINUTES OF THE LEWISTON-ALTURA SCHOOL BOARD

ISD #857

August 10, 2020

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District #857 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on August 13, 2020 via MS Teams, due to COVID-19 Pandemic restrictions. Members Bronk, Brummer, Maki, Meisch, Koverman, Meyer, and Sommer were present. Also present were Superintendent Gwen Carman, Business Manager Teresa Grossell, Elementary/Intermediate School Principal Dave Riebel, HS Principal Dr. Cory Hanson, Activities Director Brian Menk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Bronk moved and Brummer seconded to approve the August 10, 2020 Meeting Agenda. MCU

Matthew Wilmes read a letter in the Open Forum regarding the 2020-21 School Year.

Board Chair Meyer reviewed Good Things Happening in the district:

-Congratulations to Annie Chick, Paul Fox and Pat Buckbee who are our Elementary Food Service Staff members for receiving the 2020 MN School Nutrition Association “E” Team Award which showcases excellence in teamwork, creativity and customer service. Thank you to Food Service Director Vickie Speltz for her leadership and for her work as President of the MSNA.

-Allison Schumacher sent the School Board a ‘thank you’ note for the Minnie Wright “Rewards for Excellence” Scholarship. She will be using it towards her WSU tuition.

-Olivia Spitzer sent the School Board a ‘thank you’ for the Minnie Wright “Rewards for Excellence” Scholarship. Olivia will be using it to help with expenses incurred while attending Minnesota State University, Mankato this fall.

-Thank you to the City of Lewiston for providing equipment to assist with additional cleaning for our buses.

Sommer moved and Brummer seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. MCU

- Approval of [Minutes](#) of Board Meeting July 13, 2020
- Approval of Financial Reports:
 - [Student Activities](#) Financial report
 - [Board Bills](#) \$99,778.41
 - [Miscellaneous Payments](#) \$88,557.54
 - [Wire Payments](#) \$24,255.49
- Accept the monetary donation of \$699.99 from MinnWest Bank for a speaker/microphone set for the Music Department.
- Approve [Contract](#) with Chileda Institute, Inc. for 2020-21 special education services.

Moved by Meisch and seconded by Koverman to hire Tony Johanson at a 1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher at BA/Step 5 of the 20190 – 2021 Education MN- Lewiston – Altura Master Agreement. MCU

Moved by Maki and seconded by Bronk to hire Leah Faupel as Food Service Helper/Assistant Cook for 4.5 hours per day in accordance with 2020-21 Support Staff Handbook. MCU

Moved by Sommer and seconded by Meyer to hire Michelle MacPherson as 0.6 FTE School Nurse at BA/Step 16 of the 2019 – 2021 Education MN - Lewiston – Altura Master Agreement. MCU

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Brummer to hire Michelle MacPherson as 2020-21 Safe and Healthy Schools Coordinator for the equivalent of 84 days for \$28,220. MCU

Moved by Koverman and seconded by Sommer to approve Erin Spencer's change from Step 16/MA to Step 16/MA+10 in accordance with Education Minnesota – Lewiston – Altura Master Agreement. MCU

Moved by Koverman and seconded by Sommer to approve the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) with Education Minnesota Lewiston – Altura regarding 2020-2022 Master Agreement correction. MCU

Moved by Meisch and seconded by Maki to approve the [Memorandum of Understanding](#) with Education Minnesota Lewiston – Altura regarding a one year only Agreement the compensation for the Fall Play. MCU

Moved by Sommer and seconded by Meyer to hire Matthew Wilmes as Lead Director, Scott Kinstler as 1st Assistant Director and Laura Nusbaum as 2nd Assistant Director for the 2020-21 Fall Play in accordance with the August 10, 2020 Memorandum of Understanding with Education Minnesota Lewiston – Altura. MCU

Moved by Bronk and seconded by Koverman to hire the following 2020-21 Co-Curricular Advisors Yearbook: Kim Moe; FFA Advisor: Kaleb Stoppelmoo; National Honor Society: Ellie Ledger, Laura Noll (Co-Advisors); HS Student Council: Erin Spencer; JH Student Council: Emily Maakestad in accordance with the 2019-2021 Education MN Lewiston – Altura Master Agreement. MCU

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Meish to approve the 2020-2022 [Lewiston – Altura Bus Driver Handbook](#) with the additional change to Section 1, Part C for the supplemental drivers to receive \$12.36 per hour in 2020-21 and \$12.61 in 2021-22. MCU

Moved by Sommer and seconded by Koverman to approve the 2020-2021 [Lewiston – Altura Support Staff Handbook](#) with the correction on the cover page to 2020-21. MCU

Moved by Meyer and seconded by Koverman to approve a 3% hourly wage increase from the 2019-2020 hourly base rate for the Support Staff included in the Support Staff Handbook (except for temporary 2020 summer staff). MCU

Carman, Riebel, Hanson and Menk presented information about the 2020-21 Safe Learning Plan.

Motion by Koverman and seconded by Maki to approve [Resolution](#) for Adoption of Base Learning Model for 2020-21 School Year and Other COVID-19 Related Matters. A roll call vote was called. AYES: Meyer, Koverman, Maki, Meish, Bronk, Brummer, Sommer. Nays: None. MCU

Staff Reports were presented by Riebel, Hanson and Carman.

A goal setting/superintendent evaluation session will be scheduled with MSBA for September 28th or 29th.

Moved by Meisch and seconded by Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm. MCU

Greg Bronk, Clerk