

LAME DEER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6
ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMBINED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011

The School Board of Trustees of School District No. 6 met in the district board room on Tuesday, March 8, 2011.

CALL TO The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. by Board Chair Bertha Other Bull.

PRESENT: Bertha Other Bull, June Beartusk, Waymon Mitchell, Bryan Anderson, Kim Knobloch, George Scalpcane and Winslow White Crane.

ABSENT: Bertha Limberhand – excused, Rosanne Headswift,

OTHERS Bryan Kott, Lana Robinson, Frank No Runner, John Bole, Nancy Coleman, Ronetta Horse, Serena, Sid Eastman, Veronica Small-Eastman, Paul Burckhard, Angie Bell, Vangie Hajisk, Claudine Cano, Clementine Seminole, Lupe Cano, Maryann Farris-Sattler, Johnny Talawyma, Robert Simpson, Aundre Bell, Joletta Spang,

DELEG. Claudine Cano addressed the board regarding a letter by Lupe Cano. Lupe is requesting financial assistant to attend the Montana All Star Football Camp in Billings as well as assistance to attend the Australian Football Sports Camp in Sidney Australia in August of 2011.

CONSENT AGENDA Nancy Coleman, SIG Board Coach addressed the board regarding the consent agenda and the reason for it. She stated that it helps the board meeting run smoothly, quickly and also stated the process of this agenda. Knobloch stated that it would help to get the agenda sooner which would help with the process in which we would Bryan and Lana will get the agenda out Thursday morning prior to board meeting.

Mitchell moved and Anderson seconded to approve of the consent agenda which included the payroll, district and activity warrants, rehire Frank No Runner for HS Principal, Aundre Bell as HS/JH Principal and Ben Lonebear for the HS Boys Basketball Coach for the 2011-12 school year. All voted in favor.

Beartusk moved and Other Bull seconded to approve of the consent agenda regarding the rehiring of Sherry Foote as Elementary Principal for the 2011-12 school year. All voted in favor.

STDNT ENR. Board Chair asked Kott to comment on this item, he stated the student was available and she would speak on her behalf. RH addressed the board her reason she wanted to be considered to enroll the Lame Deer High School. Knobloch asked her questions regarding her attendance at the previous school she attended. RH stated that she was in treatment and got behind

on her school work due to the teachers not sending her school work plus her absences were considered unexcused.

Kott listed two possible options for this student, he stated if she was enrolled she understands that she will not get credit for any courses through credit recovery or not enroll her until summer to attend summer school.

Scalpcane asked RH what her preference was and why she wanted to enroll here.

Knobloch asked RH how her grades were, RH stated her grades were pretty good.

Anderson asked her if she understood that if she were to enroll here with this district she would not be eligible for credit until the summer. RH stated she did understand. Anderson asked her why she wanted to enroll knowing she would not receive credit. RH stated that she had nothing to do during the day she had a job but on weekends only.

Nancy Coleman asked her where she lived. RH stated she lived in Lane Deer with her sister.

Scalpcane moved Anderson seconded to enroll her since she is willing to be in school rather than stay home with nothing to do. Knobloch suggested a attendance contract be provided for her from the High School Principal. All voted in favor with the exception of Knobloch who opposed.

SIG REPORT Board Chair recognized Nancy Coleman to present the SIG report. Nancy spoke on Transformation News, School Board Involvement, School Community News, Grant Requirements, Statewide Youth and Community Outreach. She also stated that Lodge Grass Schools will be conducting a Board Financial workshop for any board members interested.

PERSONNEL Anderson moved and Beartusk seconded to hire Byron Woods for the **HIRE TRCK** JH/HS Combine Assistant Track Coach. All voted in favor.

HIRE SUBS Beartusk moved and Anderson seconded to hire Austin Two Moons III as a teacher sub, Tamara Morgan as teacher and cook sub, Harold Littlebird and Maureen Limberhand as 21st Century Instructors. All voted in favor.

REHIRE IEA Anderson moved and Beartusk seconded to hire Veronica Small-Eastman as Indian Ed. For All K-12 with other duties as assigned to put her in as the counselor position. All voted in favor with the exception of Mitchell who opposed.

A.D.RPT. Board Chair recognized Frank No Runner he presented the Activities Report to the board with regard to upcoming events and activities, activities update. They would like to petition MHSA for HS Wrestling and Girls Softball for next school year.

No Runner suggested that the HS Girls Basketball and HS Boys Football Coaching Positions be considered for advertisement. Knobloch moved and Scalpcane seconded to advertise the HS Girls Basketball and HS Boys Football Position's for the 2011-12 school year. All voted in favor.

Robert Simpson addressed the board asking them to approve of starting a Rodeo Club, he that there were at least 8 students currently interested. There are only 5 rodeos the students would have to attend but need to purchase their cards by March 28, 2011. They do get insurance through the High School Association once they purchase this enrollment card. Knobloch asked if this is already a approved club and what liabilities they are sitting on. Bryan Kott stated it was not an approved club but due to insurance issues he would like to hold off on this issue until he spoke with insurance issues. Knobloch asked to table it until Kott asked other school district's how they go about their rodeo clubs. Simpson asked if they paid the cards on there own if they could still use the school facilities for meetings and Kott stated it would not be a problem.

Knobloch moved and Mitchell seconded to table the approval of the Rodeo Club. All voted in favor.

ELE.PRINC. Kott stated that Sherry Foote had planned on attending a meeting but got sick and wasn't able to make it. Kott stated that her report was passed out and she completed a big chunk of evaluations with the teachers and was going through post conferences.

HS PRINC. Frank No Runner spoke regarding his report: He spoke on attendance, enrollment, reorganization of self-contained Junior High for next school year; third party evaluator has resigned and now have a new evaluator who is Nancy Crans. He spoke on S.O.A.R; MontCAS; Testing schedules; Digital Video Systems available at the high school; BIA Law Enforcement K-9 unit; Camfel Productions Assembly will be here on 3/3/11; Parent Teacher Conference scheduled for 3/30/11; Athletic Sports Banquet is scheduled for 3/21/11; Academic Olympics; JROTC and Trips scheduled for students.

Other Bull asked No Runner on the student absenteeism which they were concerned about it. No Runner stated that they were working on this issue with the tribal courts and all is falling into place.

SR. TRIP Board Chair recognized Johnny Talawyma who needed board approval for the senior trip scheduled to go to Denver on May 13-15, 2011. He requested a bus for 20 students and 4 chaperones, fuel and a driver.

Anderson moved and Other Bull seconded to approve of the Senior Trip to Denver, the district will provide a bus, fuel and a Driver. All voted in favor.

PROMISE
NBRHOOD Board Chair recognized Marissa Spang from Promise Neighborhood. Marissa stated that they are planning a trip to visit with SEED Foundation partners in Washington DC then go on to New York City to visit the Harlem Children's Zone to participate in a 3-day Practitioner's Institute on March 21 – 26, 2011. This trip will not cost the school district anything they would like Bryan Kott to attend.

Anderson asked Marissa Spang to clarify that this would not cost the district any funds but will take Bryan Kott away from his job for a week. Marissa Spang stated that was accurate.

Scalpcane moved and Anderson seconded for Bryan Kott to attend this trip for Promise Neighborhood Planning. All voted in favor.

CURR.DIR. Jill Henzie was not available. Kott stated that in this report one of the things on the report with the grant Gary Hopkins was working on the Indian Ed. Demonstration Grant will not be funded through the federal government this year. One of the other grants Gary Hopkins was looking into which is the Library Grant that will cover technology and books which was a suggestion to us as well from SIG. The deadline is the 28th which we can have Gary start working on it now and approve later. The other one is Striving Readers Grant which is open to every school and is more competitive due to fewer restrictions on who can apply for the grant. He also is looking for other funding opportunities which cover salaries.

Mitchell asked if Gary Hopkins is writing the grants, he asked if we had somebody else working on grants here in the school. Kott stated that the current Federal Programs Director has been searching but is more focused on CRT's right now which is one of the things that have been coming up. We will be getting back Carl Perkins which supports our supplies for VoAg., FACS, and Business Classes. Everything is looking tight in the funding area which we will not get the full funding of Impact Aid Funds also.

Mitchell thought that the responsibility for the grants is relied on the Superintendent and the Federal Programs Director. Kott stated the current Federal Programs Director is monitoring the use of the grants and making sure the funds are spent and spent right. We did hire Gary Hopkins to write a couple of grants this year on a retainer.

Knobloch stated that right now we are not getting a lot out of our Federal Programs Person, if this person is just monitoring grants. Kott stated that we are getting a lot out of our Federal Programs Director who is monitoring the expense of Title 1, LEP grant, Carl Perkins and is also

working with Curriculum and implementation. At the teacher level they should know what Carl Perkins should be spent on.

Mitchell asked if they can get some information on all of these funds and what and where the funds are being channeled to.

Kott stated he is working on finding funding sources currently and should have it done tomorrow or the next day where we can actually see where the moneys are streaming to as for salaries and what not.

Anderson stated that it should be something the Federal Programs Director should be reporting to the board monthly since there is an item on the agenda.

Knobloch stated she thought otherwise it seems like we are wasting a lot of money on that position when it could be delegated somewhere else.

Mitchell asked if this was a full-time position. Kott stated that it is due to the position being tied to the Curriculum.

Knobloch stated that we are paying for one person to do this job now were paying two people to do it.

Other Bull asked what big grants Gary Hopkins was going to apply for. Kott stated it was the Indian Ed. Demonstration and Construction Grant.

Anderson thought that grant writing should be a part of the Federal Programs Directors job. Kott stated that it can be something included in the Federal Program Directors job description for the next school year.

Other Bull stated Gary Hopkins wrote the first grant the board decided to keep him to write the next grant. Since we got the SIG grants coming in Gary thought we could wait until the next year to apply for the big grants.

Mitchell stated that he thought the current Federal Programs Director was job shadowing with the previous Federal Programs Director so that they would learn how to pursue some of these grants.

White Crane stressed on grant writing and how much work is included in writing a grant and there is a lot of learning involved. He didn't think he would be able to write one himself if he had to. He had respect for Gary Hopkins whom he thought was a very good grant writer.

Beartusk stated that she wrote grants in Indian Country for five years and it is very time consuming. She commended Gary Hopkins for writing his grant and thought that he is a very gifted grant writer.

Mitchell stated that he wasn't saying the previous grant writer wasn't a good grant writer, he just thought the current Federal Programs Director should be able to write grants also.

IEC No one was available to present

P/T Kott included in the agenda a Contract for Physical Therapy Services AGREEMNT. Agreement (for our Special Education Students) with the Colstrip Medical Center which needed board approval. This agreement is for three years which is completely identical from the previous contract except for the length. This is mandatory for some of our Special Ed. Students who need Physical Therapy.

Knobloch asked why we were not utilizing the Indian Health Center in Lame Deer. Kott stated they have been utilizing Colstrip Medical Center for quite a while now.

Beartusk moved and Anderson seconded to approve of the three year contract with Colstrip Medical Center for Physical Therapy Services. All voted in favor with the exception of Knobloch who opposed.

AR GYM Mitchell moved and Beartusk seconded to approve of the GONA request to use the AR Gym on April 4-7 & 25-28, 2011 and April 1, form 5-11 pm. All voted in favor.

1ST READNG Kott addressed the board regarding this Policy which is for employees BD POLICY who check out equipment who will sign a check out sheet each time something is checked out.

Anderson asked how # 4 is going to be enforced. Kott stated that it would be through payroll deduction.

Beartusk moved and Mitchell seconded to approve of the First reading for Board policy # 5330 School District Equipment after changing # 6 from may to will. All voted in favor.

JH/HS Kott explained on the final change order for the JH/HS Addition Contract. CONST.C/O Anderson moved and Mitchell seconded to approve of the Change Order for the JH/HS Construction in the amount of \$7281.19 which is the final for this contract. All voted in favor.

BOARD RPT. Nancy Coleman will let everyone know about the Lodge Grass meeting when it is finalized.

BOARD RPT. No action taken.


SUPT. RPT. Bryan Kott addressed the board regarding the Elementary Emergency Construction, stating we finally got word from DC that we can use the

Alternative Bidding Process. Kott stated that this process would be going with a Construction Manager/Contractor so we can hire out for the full project. This way we don't have to change contractors in the middle through bidding process through the phases. Basically we would be following the same type of steps that we did for the HS Construction forming a committee. Gary Levine has given rough drafts of advertisement and has suggested we give it to Jeff Weldon to approve to make sure we cover all of the legal entities of doing a project this way. That way we can show proof that we can go this route due to time restraints with funding. Also the complexity of the project in which it will be a three step project would qualify us to go this route. Gary Levine feels it is the best way to go about this type of project that way he will not be the one doing the bidding out for the equipment and what not which will save time and costs. Kott stated that he has the preliminary design of the building at his office and the main lay out of this project. Kott informed the board that once construction starts we will be losing three apartment buildings. The Day Care and Frank No Runner's home will be fine but the homes and apartments in between will have to be removed but once city water is added toward the high school we can plan on putting housing up there for staff.

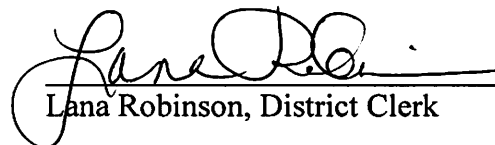
Discussion on housing needs and issues.

SUPT. CONT. No action taken.

ADJ. Scalpcane moved and Beartusk seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. At 7:19 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.



Bertha Other Bull, Board Chair



Lana Robinson, District Clerk