

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION - RE-4J

Regular KIND OF MEETING	High School Library MEETING PLACE	7:00 p.m. TIME	March MONTH	16 DAY	2011 YEAR
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Jason Bandy  
**PRESIDING OFFICER**

Bart O'Dwyer  
**MEMBER**

Jack Horner  
**VICE CHAIRMAN**

Chris Selle  
**SUPERINTENDENT**

Russell Lengel  
**TREASURER**

Sharon Newsom  
**SECRETARY**

**Roll Call:** The regular board meeting was called to order by President Jason Bandy at 7:00 p.m. Roll call reflected that all Board Members were present.

**Mission Statement:** Russell Lengel read the district mission statement.

**Agenda:** Sharon Newsom moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda for March 16, 2011 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**School Officials:** Chris Selle, Joel Albers, and Dirk Pedersen

**Audience:** Will Bublitz, Les Layton, Kim Trujillo, Cody Weber, Joe Frasier, Ashley Higgins, Marianne Johnson, Abby Linnebur, Madison Andersen, Andrea Andersen, and Tim Andersen

**Minutes:** Jack Horner moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

**Audience Participation:** None

**Financial Reports:** Russell Lengel moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the General Fund and Insurance Reserve expenditures for February 2011 in the amount of \$275,111.64. Russell read the breakdown. Chris stated that in February the General Fund is usually at the lowest of the year because we are waiting for property tax money to come in. Kim Trujillo stated we received a check for \$93,000 today. The motion passed unanimously. Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Capital Reserve expenditures for February of 2011 in the amount of \$198,891.00. Russell read the breakdown. Chris stated that the majority of this money was insurance money. The motion passed unanimously.

**Education Reports:**

- A. Elementary/Middle School Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)  
Mr. Albers highlighted items from his report in the packet. The attendance rate in the elementary dropped below 95% because of the flu bug that hit. The kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade were hit hard. CSAP for the elementary ends this week. Middle school will start the first week of April. Kindergarten Round-Up will be April 21<sup>st</sup>. He attached photos of the second grade 100 day projects. I-on Health has started in the fourth grade. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Mrs. Winkelman told him that there are now over 1,000 kids in Colorado working on this project. Middle school track started on Monday.
- B. High School Principal Report (stated report was in the packet)  
Mr. Selle highlighted items from his report in the packet. The high school attendance rate is still above 95%. He thanked the community for volunteering to help run the Solo and Ensemble contest on February 26<sup>th</sup>. There were 32 middle school students receiving a 1 rating and 16 earning a 2 rating. The high school had 18 students earn a 1 rating and 11 earning a 2 rating. The Spring Band Concert went well. Secondary CSAPs will start the week after Spring Break.
- C. Accountability (none given)
- D. Staff Report (none given)
- E. STUCO Report (none given)

- F. Athletic Department Report (stated report was in the packet)  
The high school boys' basketball team finished with a record of 21 wins and 3 losses. Bradey Scherrer and Trent Dohe were named to the 1<sup>st</sup> team All League. Jason Brown was named as honorable mention. Trent Dohe was also picked to play for the Colorado Coaches All State game. The high school girls finished with a record of 11 wins and 12 losses. Libbie Meier was named to the 1<sup>st</sup> team and Holly Koehn was named honorable mention. There are 25 boys out for baseball, 30 girls and 20 boys out for high school track, and 11 girls out for golf.
- G. Custodial Report  
Along with their regular duties, they worked for the 1A basketball regionals held in Limon. Roofs are being worked on. They helped setup for the funeral for Officer Sheridan.
- H. FFA Report  
Ashley Higgins, Abby Linnebur, and Madison Andersen gave the FFA report. They are getting ready for the two banquets in April. .

**Board Reports:**

Russell Lengel thanked Chris, Les and his staff, Peggy and her staff and the teachers and school staff for changing their plans so Jay's funeral could be held in the gym. Jason Bandy went through all the changes for next year due to the \$300,000 budget reduction for this year and probably for next year. Three staff positions will be reduced, high school special ed, art, and one custodian. They may eliminate one bus route. The portion that the district pays for employee insurance will be reduced. There will be on furlough day and no Christmas bonus. There won't be any elementary summer school. The high school will still have summer school because students pay for it. There will be no more overtime without the superintendent's approval. They are limiting the travel for cheerleaders, dropping the golf program and eliminating on part-time custodian position.

**Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Selle highlighted items from his board report. The school messaging system they talked about last month is not cost effective. They cannot send reports that would save on our postage. He emailed PMC to let them know that at this time we do not want to go forward with the school based clinic. Honeywell was here today to give us a proposal on any cost savings we could do. The Office of Civil Rights came on March 1<sup>st</sup>. A few items need repaired but no extremely challenging repairs. He was contacted by Agate relating to contracting to educate their secondary students. There are about 5 students which would bring in about \$23,000. They would reimburse parents for transportation.

**Audience Participation:** None

**Action Items:**

**School Calendar**

Jack Horner moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the 2011-2012 school calendar as presented. Mr. Albers gave the Board a worksheet showing the estimated numbers of next year's kindergarten through fourth grades with the benefits listed on why letting the elementary start two days later would be. The primary grades would like to test kids with a schedule the first two days that the secondary start school. Jason, Bart, and Sharon all agreed this was a good idea. Sharon asked that Joel start informing parents now. The motion passed unanimously.

**Superintendent's Contract**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the superintendent's contract for Chris Selle for the 2011-2012 Limon school year. The motion passed unanimously.

**Principal's Contract**

Sharon Newsom moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the principal's contract for Joel Albers for the 2011-2012 Limon school year. The motion passed unanimously.

**AD/Dean of Student's Contract**

Jack Horner moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Athletic Director/Dean of High School Student's contract for Dirk Pedersen for the 2011-2012 Limon school year. The motion passed unanimously.

**Spring Coaches**

Russell Lengel moved and Bart O'Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the additional Spring coaches as presented. All coaches are volunteer. The motion passed with four aye votes with Jason Bandy abstaining.

**School Closure**

Russell Lengel moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the closure of school on March 15<sup>th</sup> for the funeral of Officer Sheridan. Chris stated that the makeup day will be Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. The motion passed unanimously.

**Executive Session**

Russell Lengel moved and Jack Horner seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to go into an Executive Session in accordance with CRS24-6-402(4)(f) at 7:32pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Out of Executive Session**

Bart O'Dwyer moved and Sharon Newsom seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to come out of Executive Session at 9:05pm. The motion passed unanimously.

**Future Business:**

Work Session – Monday, April 18, 2011 at 6pm in the High School Library.

Next Regular School Board Meeting – Monday, April 18, 2011 the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library

**Adjournment:**

At 9:05pm Bart O'Dwyer moved and Jason Bandy seconded the motion to approve the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.