

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
January 21, 2025

The Board of Trustees of School District #341 met in regular session in the Board Room of the District Office. Trustee Samuels-Allen called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

The board then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Johnson, Kipp, Spaulding, and Garcia. Also attending was Superintendent Aiken, Clerk Weeks, Teri Wagner, Lori Ravet, D’Lisa Penney and several others in the audience.

Clerk Weeks made a call for nominations for Board Chair. Trustee Spaulding moved and Trustee Garcia seconded to keep the slate of officers the same for the coming year as follows.

Board Chair - Sonya Samuels-Allen
Board Vice Chair - Lori Johnson
Clerk/Treasurer – Nathan Weeks

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Board Chair Samuels-Allen then began to preside over the meeting.

The schedule of board meetings for the coming year was discussed.

- The Third Monday of each month at 5:00pm in the District Office for March through December
- The Tuesday following the Holiday on the Third Monday of each month at 5:00 pm in the District Office for February and January

The places for public postings of board meetings was discussed. It has been the District Website and the District Office.

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to approve the regular meeting schedule and keep the places for public postings the same for the coming year. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Trustees reviewed and signed the Code of Ethics.

Trustee Spaulding moved and Trustee Kipp seconded that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The consent agenda included meeting minutes, payment of bills as presented, budget report, balance sheet, and ASB accounts. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Four members of the Student Cabinet were present and introduced.

The new Student Resource Officer, Camille Bourgeau, was introduced.

Elementary Principal Wagner celebrated the improvement in reading scores this fall.

Middle/High School Principal Penney along with Guidance Counselor Josh Nellesen celebrated

a student graduating early, Saei George. She then continued to review her report.

Special Education Director Ravet talked about challenges this year. Among them include increased behavior intervention, funding, and pressures on staff.

Superintendent Aiken introduced Delaney Paris, First Grade Teacher, who was in the audience. He also talked about a McKinney Vento training, the recent PowerSchool data breach, and

He presented his annual portfolio in advance of the evaluation to be completed at the next meeting.

The Second Reading of the following policy was held.

– Policy 503.14 – Student Owned Electronic Devices

Adopt State Protocols for Foster Care Liaison

Alternative Authorization – Josh Nellesen

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve all three of the noted items as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Garcia seconded to enter into executive session as provided under Idaho Code Section 74-206 (1) (b) by a simple majority of current board members present as per Idaho Code Section 74-206(4). A roll call vote was taken with all five board members present voting aye at 6:14 pm. The general tenor of the executive session was discussion of a personnel issue.

Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Garcia seconded that the board leave executive session and reconvene in regular session. A vote was taken and the motion passed at 6:55 pm.

The following personnel action item was presented to the board.

New Hire – Transportation Supervisor – Greg Hansen

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Spaulding seconded to approve the personnel item as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Board Training topic was Effect Size Research on Student Achievement.

Trustee Spaulding moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to adjourn. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.

Board Chair

Clerk

Date