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**LIBERTY COMMUNITY UNIT #2
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*Liberty School District will equip the whole student with knowledge,
skills, and character to achieve personal success as they “Soar to
Excellence.”*

Board Meeting Agenda for March 17, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

1. Routine Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approval of the Agenda
 - B. Approval of the following Minutes:
February 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
 - C. Approval of the Bills, Payroll, Treasurer's Report, and Additional Bills
 - D. Approve the Financial Summary Report
 - E. Approve the Food Service Report
 - F. Approval of the Activity Report
 - G. Approve the Imprest Report

2. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Approve the letting of bids for a new school bus or the 2021-22 school year.
 - B. Approve purchasing of security software for our non-Chromebook devices to protect against malware/ransomware from Lakeshore IT through June 30, 2022. (free until July 1st)
 - C. Approve the Final 2020-21 School Calendar.
 - D. Approve the Proposed 2021-22 School Calendar.
 - E. Approve the Second Reading and Adoption of Policy 5:105.

3. Board Discussion and Action:
 - A. Approve the following recommendations from the Facilities/ Physical Plant Committee:
 1. Callender Company to add additional gravel to the ball diamond parking lot.
 2. West Central Electric, Heating and Air to add a heating/air unit for three rooms and increasing the electric capacity to handle the increase needed to run this unit.
 - B. Approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Liberty Community Unit School District #2 and Liberty Unit Teachers Association for August 1, 2021-August 1, 2024.
 - C. Approve the three-year lease with a \$1 buy-out for 100 Chromebooks from SHI Capital for \$9,726.34 annually, from July 1, 2021-July 1, 2024.
 - D. Approve the closing of Liberty School's Student Activity Account (named After Prom Fund) and transfer of \$956.61 to a non-school-related checking account (known as Liberty After Prom), established by the After Prom Committee.
Note: After Prom is not a school-sponsored event.

4. Reports:
 - A. Elementary Principal's Report
 - B. JH/HS Principal's Report

- C. Superintendent's Report
- D. Technology Coordinator's Report

5. Personnel Report:

i. Approve:

- Tenured Montanna Altmix, Brittany Cromie, Sara Tuter, Alex Altmix, Christina Duffy
- 4th year Laura Meyer, Sarah Farha, Rochelle Luaders, Brooke Dawson, Rob Young
- 3rd year Sharon Bearden, Rose Bergles, Alexis Obert, Lori Pool, Andrew Topel
- 2nd year Abbigail Hoener, Mattie Hoiness, Aaron Mendenall, Lindsay Myers, Laura Ohnemus, Stevi Smith

- ii. Approve the two-year extension of Adam Lee's contract until June 30, 2023.
- iii. Approve the resignation of John Sedelmeier as the full-time Night Custodian, effective March 3, 2021.
- iv. Approve Sam Harris as a part-time (40%) Night Custodian, effective March 18, 2021.
- v. Approve David Dyer as a part-time (60%) Night Custodian, effective March 22, 2021.
- vi. Approve the resignation of Sara Schmidt as Assistant High School Track Coach, effective March 5, 2021. (unfortunately, the JH & HS Track season overlap this year)
- vii. Approve Koby Craft as the Assistant High School Track Coach, effective March 18, 2021.
- viii. Approve the resignation of Kayla Thomas as the Assistant High School Volleyball Coach, effective March 8, 2021. (unfortunately, the HS Volleyball & JH Track Season overlap this year)
- ix. Approve Ashley Wolf as the Assistant High School Volleyball Coach, effective March 18, 2021.
- x. Approve Dani Buss, student teacher, as a Volunteer Assistant Coach for High School Volleyball, effective March 18, 2021.
- xi. Approve Amy Dawson as an elementary teacher at BA, Step 2, effective August 20, 2021.
- xii. Approve Amy Allen as a part-time elementary Special Education teacher at BA+ 29, Step 19, effective August 20, 2021.
- xiii. Approve the resignation of Dennis Church as the full-time Lead Custodian, effective March 26, 2021.

Superintendent's Comments:

Calendars

This is the time of year that we try to finalize the current school calendar and propose next year's school calendar. Both were presented at this board meeting and approved.

General Business

We had the second reading of Policy 5:105. The tuition amount had to be changed from \$125 to \$200 per semester hour and change the total cap from \$10,000 per year spent on tuition reimbursement to \$15,000 per year, as agreed upon in the new Collective Bargaining Agreement for 2021-2024. Every policy always has two readings before adoption. Another item was to approve the malware agreement to protect all of our software from hackers. Also, this is the time of year to seek bids for a new bus, as we purchase one per year to keep our bus fleet running efficiently and effectively.

Other Items

Two facility items were addressed, as recommended by the Facilities /Physical Plan Committee. 1.) Adding gravel to the ball diamond parking lot by Callendar Company and 2.) Installing a new heating/air conditioning unit to cover three rooms and upgrading the electrical capacity to run the unit effectively.

We have a tentative agreement made with the teacher's union for a three-year contract. The School board needed to take official action on this. How wonderful to have this task completed before summer and to know what to plan for in the next three fiscal years regarding teacher salaries and benefits!

Transfer of Funds

It was suggested that the School District should no longer oversee the After Prom Party money since this event is not a school function and the auditing rules are becoming strict. Upon consultation with the district auditor, this money will no longer be in the school district's Activity Fund but will be transferred to a Liberty After Prom Checking Account established by the After Prom Committee.

Chromebooks

We are able to use our Leasing Tax Levy money to lease Chromebooks for the next three years, with a buy-out of \$1.00. This is a great way to use this nickel levy to replenish our Chromebook inventory. Every student, at Liberty School, except Preschool, uses a Chromebook which is a necessary tool in this digital age. This was extremely helpful for remote learning during this crazy COVID time.



Let's hope that warm weather will stay!