

# Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, February 14, 2022 7:00 PM

Lexington City Council Chambers, 406 E. 7th St., Lexington, NE 68850

Cindy Benjamin: Present  
Travis Maloley: Absent  
Garth Mins: Present  
Roger Reutlinger: Present  
Carlos Saiz: Present  
Larry Steinberger: Present

## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTICE OF MEETING

## 2. FLAG SALUTE

## 3. OPEN MEETINGS ACT

## 4. ROLL CALL

### Action(s):

Motion to excuse Travis Maloley. Travis Maloley joined the meeting at 7:05 pm. Passed with a motion by Carlos Saiz and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

### Voting Detail:

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Absent  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

## 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

### Action(s):

Any Board Member: "Motion to approve the consent agenda." Passed with a motion by Carlos Saiz and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

### Voting Detail:

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

### 6.1. Approve Minutes

6.2. Approve Payment of Invoices

6.3. Approve Financial Reports

6.4. Personnel Actions

6.4.1. Approve Resignations

6.4.1.1. Roaxanne Bellamy--Pershing 5th grade teacher

6.4.1.2. Janet Bendler--Bryan media specialist

6.4.1.3. Mary (Annie) Chrisman--School psychologist

6.4.1.4. Malarie Graham--Pershing 4th grade teacher

6.4.1.4.1. Amanda Carter--LMS science teacher

6.4.1.5. Patti McGuire--LMS information technology teacher

6.4.1.6. Emma O'Brien--School psychologist

6.4.1.6.1. Joshua O'Brien--LHS social studies teacher

6.4.1.7. Kathryn Peterson--LHS special education teacher

6.4.2. Approve Hiring Recommendations

6.4.2.1. Josey Blessin--School psychologist intern--Regular contract and 5-day contract extension addendum

6.4.2.2. Amberlyn Cullers--Pershing 4th grade teacher

6.4.2.3. Emma Krysl--LHS family & consumer science teacher

6.4.2.4. Mariah Neill--Elementary special education teacher

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1. Buildings & Grounds

7.1.1. Consider purchase of intercom systems for Pershing and Bryan.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve purchase of intercom systems for Bryan and Pershing elementary schools from Electronic Systems for a total cost of \$41,072.00, as presented. Passed with a motion by Cindy Benjamin and a second by Larry Steinberger.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea

Travis Maloley: Yea

Garth Mins: Yea

Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea

Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

## 7.2. Curriculum & Americanism

7.2.1. Consider purchase of materials for LHS personal finance course.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve personal finance course materials from Ramsey Education in the amount of \$15,649.98, as presented. Passed with a motion by Larry Steinberger and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.2.2. Consider purchase of LHS geography materials.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve purchase of high school geography materials from Cengage Learning in the amount of \$27,516.04, as presented. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.2.3. Consider purchase of PK-5 math materials.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve purchase of PK-5 math materials from Great Minds PBC in the amount of \$57,877.40, as presented. Passed with a motion by Carlos Saiz and a second by Travis Maloley.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

Steinberger:

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.2.4. Consider approval of purchase of English and Spanish K-5 language arts materials.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve purchase of English and Spanish language arts materials from Amplify in the amount of \$419,875.84, as presented. Passed with a motion by Cindy Benjamin and a second by Travis Maloley.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.3. Technology

7.3.1. Consider purchase of Apple computers using federal ESSER III funds.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve purchase of 337 various Apple computers, as presented, in the amount of \$323,763.00. Passed with a motion by Cindy Benjamin and a second by Travis Maloley.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.3.2. Consider purchase of computer adapters.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve the purchase of 400 computer adapters from Connection in the amount of \$17,528.00, as presented. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.3.3. Consider purchase of classroom projectors.

**Action(s):**

Consider purchase of 75 classroom projectors from CDW-G in the amount of \$38,925.00, as presented. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Carlos Saiz.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.4. Legislative & Finance

7.4.1. Consider approval of the 2022-2023 Negotiated Agreement with the Lexington Education Association.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve the 2022-2023 negotiated agreement with the Lexington Education Association, as presented, reflecting a 3.5% total package increase. Passed with a motion by Larry Steinberger and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.4.2. Consider approval of 2022-2023 contract and cooperative program agreements with ESU 10 for special education services.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve contract for special education services and audiology, deaf education, vision, and supplemental supervision cooperative program agreements with ESU 10 for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Carlos Saiz.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 7.5. Policy & Transportation

7.5.1. Consider approval of an out of state travel request.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve LHS Jazz Band travel request, as presented. Passed with a motion by Carlos Saiz and a second by Roger Reutlinger.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.5.2. Consider approval of transportation request for community service need.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve transportation request as presented. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 7.6. Other

7.6.1. Consider calendar change for April 22, 2022.

**Action(s):**

Motion to approve districtwide 11 AM school dismissal on April 22, the day of the Bader Track Meet. Passed with a motion by Roger Reutlinger and a second by Carlos Saiz.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea

Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- 7.6.2. Consider return of donated funds to Pierce Public Schools as memorial fund contributions to the three Pierce students who recently passed away.

**Action(s):**

Motion to return \$1007.50 in donated funds to Pierce Public Schools to be used as memorial fund contributions for the Pierce students who died in the January 29 house fire. Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Cindy Benjamin.

**Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry  
Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8. **REPORTS & COMMENTS**

8.1. Principals, Administrators, and Directors

8.2. Superintendent

- 8.2.1. Twelve LHS powerlifters qualified for Nationals at the Capitol City Clash held on January 15, a USAPL National Qualifying meet. Nationals will be held in Lombard (Chicago), Illinois, on March 25-26. Congratulations to these 12 students and their coaches! Qualifiers are Sarahi Giron, Leticia Virgilio, Megan Dang, Yasmin Monroy, Brooke Draskovic, Kevin Parada, Angel Perez, Logan Dowling, Morgan Bailey, Cesar Chavez, Cesar Garcia & Gabriel Alvarez.

- 8.2.2. Congratulations to the LHS girls bowling team for finishing as district champs and qualifying for state! Taya Berry, Cordelia Harbison, McKenna Moats, and Daisy Gomez all qualified individually. Also congrats to the LHS boys bowling team for finishing runner-up in districts. Two boys, Alex Gomez and Ethan Mins, individually qualified for state.

- 8.2.3. Congratulations to the LHS Cheer Team for placing first in the nontumbling/nonbuilding and gameday categories at the LHS Cheer and Dance Competition on January 29.

- 8.2.4. Congratulations to the 5 LHS girls wrestlers who are first in school history to qualify for the girls state wrestling tournament. They are freshman Andrea Melendez; sophomore Sara Anaya; and juniors Elsa Garcia, Karen Santoyo,

and Fransisca Walsh (District champ).

8.2.5. Congratulations to LHS wrestlers Daylen Naylor, Davin Naylor, Cesar Cano, and Jackson Konrad for qualifying for the state wrestling tournament at districts on Saturday!

8.2.6. Congratulations to the LHS girls powerlifting team for winning and to the boys team for finishing runner-up at the Omaha Creighton Prep All Class RAW State Powerlifting Meet this past Saturday. Individual champions include Crystal Serrano, Yenifer Lopez, Emilee Martinez, McKinna Moats, and Brooke Draskovic.

8.2.7. Thank you to retiring teachers Roxanne Bellamy, Jan Bendler, and Patti McGuire for their many years of service to the District and LPS students. They will all be greatly missed.

8.2.8. Mark Burson will be replacing Kristi Jergensen as Technology Director in July. Congratulations to Mark. He will do a great job filling Kristi's very large shoes.

8.2.9. Congratulations to Sam Jilka for being selected by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association as the Nebraska cross-country coach of the year, and Amber Burson for being selected by the National High School Strength and Conditioning Association as the 2022 Region 6 Coach of the Year. They make us proud.

8.2.10. Lex alumnus and professional artist Craig Pursley will be coming in April to work with Cole Brockmoller and his advanced art students on a Minuteman wall mural just inside the LHS west entrance. It should be a great opportunity for our students.

8.2.11. Lex alumnus and professional filmmaker Chuck Fairbanks is doing a documentary on this year's--and LHS's first ever--girls wrestling team.

8.2.12. March board meeting date and time: March 21 at 7 PM. One week later than normal to accommodate field turf bid timeline.

8.3. Board members

## 9. **ADJOURNMENT**

### **Action(s):**

Any Board Member: "Motion to adjourn this meeting." Passed with a motion by Travis Maloley and a second by Carlos Saiz.

### **Voting Detail:**

Cindy Benjamin: Yea  
Travis Maloley: Yea  
Garth Mins: Yea  
Roger Reutlinger: Yea

Carlos Saiz: Yea  
Larry Steinberger: Yea

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0

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Board Secretary