

**LIBERTY COMMON SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
BUSINESS MEETING**

November 18, 2021

Liberty Common High School

2745 Minnesota Drive, Fort Collins, CO

ATTENDANCE

- BOD:
 - Kelly Notarfrancesco, Chair
 - Tricia Diehl, Vice-Chair
 - Charles Grant, Treasurer
 - Todd Arndorfer, Secretary
 - Ben Friesen
 - Elizabeth Barber
 - Cindy Skalicky
 - Administration:
 - Bob Schaffer
 - Sarah Hunt
 - Torgun Lovely
 - Kathleen Kearney
 - Robert Robinson
 - Casey Churchill
 - Sandy Stoltzfus
 - Bev Hanawalt
 - Bill Kranz
 - Brett Harkey
 - Rick Wrona
 - Chris Reynolds
- Guests: Dan Siegrest – Abacus. Ms. McAllister, Mr. Huey and Ms. James for the Math Department. Mr. Russel, Mr. Reeves and Mr. Wilcox for the Physical Education Department. Joel Goeltl. CJ Smith and FLL robotics teams.

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by Ms. Notarfrancesco at 6:01pm.

STAFF AND COMMUNITY COMMENT

- Joel Goeltl thanked the school for the great education his sons received that prepared them well for college. He suggested to keep doing what we are doing and don't succumb to outside forces.
- The Brickiacs and the Robot Rebels FLL teams each gave a brief presentation about their recent success at the northern Colorado regional tournament. Two teams qualified for the state tournament on Dec 11.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

- Approved Board Meeting Minutes – October 28, 2021 as presented.
- Approved Strategic Planning Session Meeting Minutes – November 4, 2021 as presented.

ADMINISTRATION AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Math Department Report – Ms. McAllister
 - All LCS grades have implemented the transition from Singapore Math US to Standards edition. It is much more rigorous, so still optimizing how we teach it.
 - Already seeing some strong growth that we believe comes from this transition.
 - Liberty's math scores continue to improve while most PSD schools have declined the past two years.
- Physical Education Department Report – Mr. Russel

- Shared how the PE department ties in topics from other subjects into their curriculum.
- Liberty had 10 of 16 district champions in grade school track last year.
- Presidential fitness results still better than the national average but trending downward the past two years – maybe due to less outside school physical activity due to Covid.
- Headmaster Report – Mr. Churchill, Mr. Wrona and Mr. Lovely for Mr. Schaffer
 - Topics included:
 - Received notice that Liberty along with many other PSD school reading programs are not approved by CDE. Admin is in touch with relevant regulators working toward a workaround in light of our very good reading test scores.
 - Long term subs arranged to cover for second semester LCHS teacher gaps.
 - State budget projects 6.2% PPR increase for next year
 - Hosted Daniels fund and WY education reps as they progress on their charter journey

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Fund 43 Recommitment Approval – Vote – Mr. Arndorfer for Mr. Grant
 - Moved by Mr. Arndorfer. Seconded by Ms. Skalicky. All in favor- approved.
- 2021-22 Amended Budget Review – Ms. Notarfrancesco for Mr. Grant
 - Reflects actual October pupil count, 14 less than original budget
 - ESSER funds not yet included, will be added to final amended budget next year if realizes

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Academic Advisory Committee – Ms. Barber
 - No report this month
- Financial Advisory Committee – Mr. Grant
 - Received ESSER II reimbursement.
 - Closed Fund 41 bond revenue for technology.
 - Audit report still not complete now in the hands of auditor after all questions final answered today. PSD requested an extension with the state unrelated to our delay.
- Development Committee – Ms. Skalicky
 - Beginning to explore website design update
 - Working on final letter edits to Annual Campaign "Let Them Play".
 - Grant exploration underway. Writing team being formed.
- Political Committee – Mr. Friesen
 - Updates about CAC work.
 - Discussion about other decisions to be made as we proceed to already approved move to 501c3 status.
- Governance Committee – Ms. Notarfrancesco
 - Second strategic planning session held Nov 4. Third planned for Jan 29.

- Student Data Privacy Committee – Mr. Arndorfer
 - Powerschool/Naviance concern referred by the CO State Attorney General’s office to the Consumer Protection suboffice.
 - Decision tree flowcharts
- Parent Education Committee – Ms. Diehl
 - Successful parent philosophy night Nov 6.
 - Feb 7 Junta detailed planning underway.
 - Reviewing What Every Parent Need to know for potential edits prior to reprinting.
- Building Corporation Liaison – Ms. Diehl
 - Nothing to report.

TOP THREE ITEMS FOR COMMON SENSE NEWSLETTER – None

- Next update after the December meeting.

ADJOURN – The meeting adjourned at 8:57pm