

"Soar to Excellence." LIBERTY COMMUNITY UNIT #2 SCHOOL

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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 April 23, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

1. Routine Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of the Agenda
- B. Approval of the following Minutes: March 19, 2025 Regular Board Meeting
- C. Approval of the Bills, Payroll, and Additional Bills
- D. Approval of the Treasurer's Report
- E. Approve the Financial Summary Report
- F Approve the Food Service Report
- G. Approval of the Activity Report
- H. Approval of the Imprest Fund

2. Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve IESA Membership for 2025-26, costing \$1,415.00.
- B. Approve Letting Bids for Dairy Products.
- C. Approve the Summer Ball and T-Ball League Agreements for summer 2025.
- D. Review and set breakfast & lunch prices for 2025-26.
- E. Approve the gate prices for extra-curricular events of \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students in 2025-26.
- F. Approve the activity fee of \$50 for 2025-26.
- G. Approve the officials' payment list for 2025-26.
- H. Approve and adopt the second reading of the Wellness Policy 7:286 and the Procedures on Use of Behavioral Interventions 7:230-AP.
- I. Approve ESY 2025.
- J. Approve the Networking Agreement with Midwest Youth Services at no cost.

3. Discussion and Action:

- A. Approve the restructuring of 5/6th grade volleyball and basketball from under the school umbrella and having it be parent led.
- B. Approve administrative and support staff salaries and wages for 2025-26.
- C. Approve the lowest HVAC bid for air conditioning in the high school gym from Keck.
- D. Interest in the following:
 - After school daycare
 - Transportation to daycares in town (less than 1 and ½ miles)

4. Reports:

- A. Elementary Principal's Report
- B. Junior High/High School Principal's Report
- C. Technology Coordinator's Report
- D. Superintendent's Report
- E. Unpaid School Fees & Lunch Balance Report

5. Personnel Report:

- A. Approve the retirement of Jane Tjaden, as a regular route, Pre-K, and summer school Bus Driver, effective May 14, 2025.
- B. Approve the resignation of Amber Perrine, as a Para educator, to accept the Elementary Secretary position, effective May 29, 2025.
- C. Approve the following as volunteer captains on the Bass Fishing Team who have all certification needed:

Robin Hessling

Gerald Rose

Shawn Steckler Gavin Fessler Steve Failor

- D. Approve Jill Failor as a sub teacher for 2024-25.
- E. Approve Laura Damon as a returning summer painter for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- F. Approve Michelle Girardin as a returning summer painter for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- G. Approve Danielle Dietrich as a summer painter for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- H. Approve part-time custodian Marie Shaw as a summer worker for 15 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- I. Approve part-time custodian Christian Patterson as a summer worker for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- J. Approve Dylan Hocking as a returning summer worker for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- K. Approve Devin Funk as a returning summer worker for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- L. Approve Urijah Curry as a summer worker for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- M. Approve Lane Obert as a summer worker for 40 hrs/wk from June 2-August 7, 2025.
- O. Approve the First Amendment to the Principal's Contract for Kimberly Harrison.
- P. Approve the maternity leave for Sara Knapp, Para educator, beginning April 23-May 28, 2025. She will return next school year.
- Q. Approve the resignation of Marla Cramsey, as a 5th grade Teacher, effective May 29, 2025.
- R. Approve the resignation of Sara Dreyer, as a Pre K Teacher, effective June 4, 2025.
- S. Approve Aimee Hannel as High School Head Volleyball Coach.
- T. Approve Paul McGinty as the 6th Grade Teacher, at MA, Step 10, effective August 18, 2025.
- U. Approve moving Kristy Klingele as a Special Education Teacher to the JH/HS Special Education Coordinator, effective August 18, 2025.

Superintendent's Comments

Membership

The IESA Membership was approved at a cost of \$1,415.00 for 2025-26.

Bids

The Liberty School Board is letting bids for milk for the 2025-26 school year.

Agreements

Summer ball league agreements were approved. The Liberty School Board also agreed to network with Midwest Youth Services at no cost. This non-profit agency supports students, ages 11-17 years old, in crisis, limited counseling, case management, short-term emergency shelter, and referral and aftercare services.

Prices

The board approved the increase on lunch and breakfast prices. Lunch prices are \$3.25 for K-5, \$3.50 for 6-12, and \$4.00 for adults. Extra entrees are \$2.00 and breakfast for all is \$2.00.

Gate prices for regular season extracurricular events were approved. Adults are \$5.00 while students and

senior citizens are \$4.00. Liberty High School students do not have to pay to come to Liberty High School regular season games.

The extracurricular activity fee is going to be \$50 for 2025-26.

The officials' payment list for 2025-26 was approved.

Policies

Two policies were read for a second time and approved regarding the Wellness Policy 7:286 and Behavior Interventions 7:230-AP, which are applied procedures.

ESY Programs

The ESY summer schedule for 2025 was approved.

5/6th Grade Sports

There was lots of discussion around having 5/6th grade basketball and volleyball no longer be under the school's umbrella to run, as most schools around us do. It was suggested that it be run like the ACYL summer ball league where parents get a team together and play at WYRA, the YMCA, Travel, tournaments, and shoot outs. The AD could help to set up gym time for these groups, but the District would not be financially responsible for this level. Head coaches could help with recruiting parent coaches to try and make sure interested students get to play through one of the many opportunities that exist in the area. However, at this time, the topic has been tabled for more ideas to be generated.

Wages/Salaries

The school board discussed and approved the hourly rates and salaries for administration and support staff for the 2025-26 school year. Everyone will be notified before the school year ends. This information helps in developing a budget for the 2025-26 fiscal year.

HVAC

The school board approved the lowest bid for air in the high school gym. Three companies submitted bids. The cost is being covered by a \$50,000 Maintenance Grant from the state, and the rest coming from Tort Funds budgeted for two fiscal years. Keck was awarded the alternative bid for \$255,000. This project will be completed this summer 2025.

