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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 March 18, 2026 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 23, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
March 2, 2026 Special 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 the Final 2025-26 School Calendar.
 - B. Approve the IHSA membership for 2026-27.
 - C. Approve Title I School-wide Waiver.
 - D. Approve the Consolidated District Plan for 2026-27.
 - E. Approve the annual transfer of Lease Levy proceeds from the Ed Fund to Debt Service for the copy machines with Digital Copy Systems, LLC.
 - F. Approve the second reading and adoption of Policies 7:286 (Anaphylactic Response), 7:287 (Wellness) renumbered, and 7:61 (Non-resident Tuition).
 - G. Approve the 3-yr. Agreement with Wizer for cyber bullying training to lock in the annual fee of \$656.25 for April 4, 2026-April 3, 2029.

3. Discussion and Action:
 - A. Discuss and approve the track refinishing bid from Fisher Tracks.
 - B. Discuss and approve the fuel bid from FS.
 - C. Discuss and approve leasing two buses.
 - D. Discuss and approve having the students pay the fee for the officiating licenses.

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:

Tenured	Christopher Barrett, Lisa Lawler, Adam Lee, Kendra Meier, Laura Meyer, Melissa Obert, Mariana Roberts,
3rd year	Joanna Hoskins, Travis Ruppel
2nd year	Paul McGinty, Abigail Rice, Rose Schoonover
 - B. Approve the resignation of Justin Edgar as JH Baseball Assistant Coach, effective February 25, 2026.
 - C. Approve the resignation of Aimee Hannel as the JH Volleyball coach, effective at the end of the season.
 - D. Approve the resignation of Lucas Booher as the HS Cross Country Coach, effective March 2, 2026.

- E. Approve the resignation of Mercedes Wittenbrink as the K-12 Art Teacher, effective August 14, 2026.
- F. Approve the resignation of Danielle Dietrich as a Special Education Teacher, effective May 29, 2026.
- G. Approve Patrick Clark as a First Grade Teacher with MA, Step 3, effective August 17, 2026.
- H. Approve the maternity leave of Amy Folkenroth, 5th Grade teacher, for 60 days per FMLA, effective August 31-November 23, 2026.
- I. Approve Jill Failor as the part-time Personal Care Assistant, effective April 2-May 28, 2026.
- J. Approve Ryan Hedrick as the JH Assistant Baseball Coach, effective March 18, 2026.
- K. Approve Dave Obert as a Volunteer Helper for JH Track & Field, effective March 18, 2026.

Superintendent's Comments

Final Calendar

The Liberty School Board approved the final calendar for 2025-26. The last day for students is May 28 with Teacher Institute on May 29. Eighth Grade Recognition is May 21 at 7:00 PM.

Annual Tasks

The school board approved the IHSA membership for the next school year. They also approved our annual Consolidated District Plan, which allows us to apply for state and federal grants for 2026-27. Finally, the Title I School-wide Waiver was approved. Thus, more students can receive Title I services or extra help in reading rather than just offering targeted assistance to fewer students.

Lease Levy

Each year, we must move money from the lease levy proceeds out of the ED Fund into the Debt Service to be able to pay our lease for the copy machines.

Policies

A second reading and adoption of Policy 7:286 on Anaphylactic Response. We renumbered the Wellness Policy to 7:287. Then, we defined full-time as 30 hours in Policy 6:61 on Non-resident Tuition.

Cyber Training

A 3-year agreement with Wizer for cyber bullying training was approved. This will go into effect from April 4, 2026-April 3, 2029.

Track Bid

The Liberty School board approved a bid from Fisher Tracks to resurface the track and add the black top layer of sealant in for \$177,484.

Fuel Bid

The school board only received one fuel bid. It was from Prairieland FS. They suggested that we wait before contracting fuel until things settle down in the Middle East, which drastically impacts prices.

Bus lease

The school board did not vote on approving the leasing of two school buses for three years from Midwest Transit Equipment for \$63,408/yr. The Transportation Director is going to gather data on what slightly used buses would cost, and a decision will be determined later.

Officiating License

Liberty students will have the opportunity to take a semester class to receive three officiating licenses. The fee for each license will be \$45 each. Students must pay the fee to be able to access the curriculum that is offered through IHSA.

Welcome Spring!

