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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 22, 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:
March 18, 2026 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 2026-27, costing \$1,415.00.
 - B. Approve Letting Bids for Dairy Products.
 - C. Approve the Summer Ball and T-Ball League Agreements for summer 2026.
 - D. Review and set breakfast & lunch prices for 2026-27.
 - E. Approve the gate prices for extra-curricular events of \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students in 2026-27. (No change)
 - F. Approve the Officials' payment list for 2026-27.
 - G. Approve the first reading of the Procedures on Use of Behavioral Interventions 7:230-AP and PRESS Policy.
 - H. Approve ESY 2026.
 - I. Approve the Liberty Summer Library Program for 2026.
 - J. Approve the Skyward Agreement from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2029 to lock in the prices for 3 years.
 - K. Approve the ParentSquare Agreement from July 1, 2026-June 30, 2029 to lock in the prices for 3 years.

3. Discussion and Action:
 - A. Discuss and approve revisiting of 5/6th grade volleyball and basketball under the school umbrella.
 - B. Discuss and approve the leasing of one new bus for 3-years for \$31,704/yr. from Midwest Transit Equipment.
 - C. Discuss and approve the recommendation of the Facilities/Safety Committee to:
 1. Approve the HVAC bid from Keck for \$86,250 to replace the Diaikin units in the Ag hallway classrooms.
 2. Approve the removal of the existing track surface by Fischer Tracks, Inc. for \$19,250.
 3. Approve the changes to the existing field events, per the Track/Field Coaches, to be completed by BJ Fessler. There will be a long jump lane added.

Note: #2 & 3 will require a Change Order from the architect to Fischer Tracks, Inc.

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 resignation of Christian Patterson as a Part-time Night Custodian, effective May 28, 2026.
- B. Approve the resignation of Christopher Barrett as JH/HS Band Teacher, along with Jazz, Marching, and Pep Band Sponsor, effective August 14, 2026.
- C. Approve Kara Waack as a Sub Para Educator, effective April 22, 2026.
- D. Approve Michelle Girardin as a returning Summer Worker from June 1-August 6, 2026.
- E. Approve Danielle Dietrich as a returning Summer Worker from June 1-August 6, 2026.
- F. Approve Amber Perrine as a returning Summer Worker from June 15-July 31, 2026.
- G. Approve Olivia Hofmann as a Summer Worker from June 1-August 6, 2026.
- H. Approve Ethan Owens as a Summer Worker from June 1-August 6, 2026.
- I. Approve Theresa Owens as a Summer Worker from June 1-August 6, 2026.
- J. Approve Kathy Lynch as a Special Ed. Bus Monitor, effective April 22, 2026.
- K. Approve Olivia Hofmann as JH Head Volleyball Coach, effective April 22, 2026.
- L. Approve the reassignment of Ashlea Wiedman as a Part-time Night Custodian to a Sub Custodian, effective May 28, 2026.
- M. Approve the reassignment of Chris Taylor as a Part-time Game Clean-up Custodian to a Sub Custodian, effective April 22, 2026.
- N. Approve the reassignment of Emilee Dedert as a Part-time Cook to a Sub Cook, effective May 28, 2026.
- O. Approve the reassignment of Laura Meyers as the JH English Teacher to the HS English Teacher, effective August 17, 2026.

Superintendent's Comments

Membership

The IESA Membership was approved at a cost of \$1,415.00 for 2026-27.

Bids

The Liberty School Board is letting bids for milk for the 2026-27 school year.

Agreements

Summer ball league agreements were approved.

Two vendor agreements were approved to lock in prices for three years. Those are Skyward, which is the financial and student information system, and Parent Square, which is the district communication platform.

Prices

The board approved the increase on lunch and breakfast prices. Lunch prices are \$3.50 for K-5, \$3.75 for 6-12, and \$4.25 for adults. Extra entrees are \$2.00 and breakfast for all is \$2.75.

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. These are the same as last year.

The officials' payment list for 2026-27 was discussed, but will be approved in May, after one more review.

Policies

The first reading took place for PRESS Policy, the District-wide Parent and Family Engagement Policy 6:172 and Behavior Interventions 7:230-AP, which are applied procedures. The second reading and adoption will occur in May 2026. Policy 6:172 on parent and school engagement for Title I services to occur is required for the

Consolidated District Plan. The applied procedures on Behavior interventions must be looked at annually.

ESY Programs

The ESY summer schedule for 2026 was approved.

Summer Library

The Summer Library Program for 2026 was approved. The theme is “Plant a seed, Read.” There are six, weekly library times from the beginning of June to mid-July.

5/6th Grade Sports

There was a discussion about having 5/6th grade basketball and volleyball under the school’s umbrella again. All schools around us do not have this, so playing other teams would require lengthy travel on a school night. We reviewed what went well this year and what needed to be enhanced in our current plan. One suggestion was to provide coaches of younger students an onboarding document. This would provide consistent communication and get them off to a good start. While the board agreed to approve continuing the current plan, they are waiting until May for the official vote, pending the development of the onboarding document.

HVAC

The school board approved the lowest bid for replacing the HVAC in the Ag Hallway classrooms. The current Daikin system is junk and needs to be replaced. It breaks down every couple of years and is a major expense to repair. Keck was awarded the bid for \$86,250. This project will be completed this summer.

Lease

The school board approved the leasing of one new school bus for three years for \$31,704/yr. We are hoping to save on a number of repairs, as we experience on our other buses. All repairs are covered on a leased bus, except tires. Leasing rather than purchasing will give some relief to the Transportation Fund.

Running Track

The school board approved having the top surface of the running track be removed by Fisher Track, Inc and to add another long jump lane. BJ Fessler will take care of all concrete work for the field events.

Where is the sun these days?

