

Lincoln School District Board
Meeting - Minutes **DRAFT**
Tuesday 4/30/2024 6:00-7:30 pm
Virtual and Lincoln Town Office

Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89869325338>
ID: 898 6932 5338

Participants: Deirdre Kelly, Mary Gemignani, Amy Cole, Jeanne Albert, Brooke King, Rob Backlund,
Peg Sutlive, Deirdre Zele
Note Taker: Mary Gemignani

Item	Time	Topic	Action Taken
1	6:01	Call to Order	
2	6:01	Public Comment--none	
3	6:03	Approve Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 4 Annual Meeting [<i>Link forthcoming</i>] • April 9 Board Meeting Draft Minutes 	April 9 minutes approved unanimously (R. Backlund absent for vote)
4	6:04	Introduced and welcomed new LCS principal, Brooke King.	
5	6:12	Chair Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All contracts have been signed for both teachers and staff • Jeanne has been working with a group interested in preserving and strengthening rural schools (Margaret MacLean, education consultant, and others) 	
6	6:30	Principal Report SPECIAL EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children’s author, Natalie Kinsey, completed a five-day residency in the two weeks before April vacation. Her program, <i>Storykeepers</i>, focuses on genealogy, family, family stories, and how to use artifacts, documents, and photographs to research ancestors and historic figures. Students will continue the research and work and will share their final projects at the Spring Celebration of Learning on June 6. (Details evolving) <i>Thanks to the Friends of LCS for funding this residency.</i> • The Creative Spark Program hosted the Very Merry Theater to rehearse and perform two shows of <i>Peter Pan</i> earlier in April. This experience was open to kindergarten through 9th grade students, providing an opportunity for a wider multi-age experience. <i>Thanks to the Friends of LCS for funding this theater opportunity.</i> • Don’t miss the next theatrical event, as the 5th and 6th grades perform <i>Adventures of a Comic Book Artist</i> on Thursday, May 9 at Burnham Hall, 1:00 pm and 6 pm. <i>Thanks to the 5-Town Friends of the Arts for funding.</i> 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We're firming up more events for the end of the year--stay tuned. 	
7	6:16	<p>Superintendent Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introducing Brooke King to the school and community. This week Brooke will be at LCS on Wednesday, May 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch with Brooke HHB refresher with Amy Faculty topics including outdoor learning & place-based learning, social emotional learning (SEL), and Habits of Mind Thursday Brooke will be introduced at assembly followed by parent/community member drop-in event in the library Continuing to collect middle school/high school choice and proof of residency where needed. Some families are still deciding. Of our current 10 sixth graders, the majority of parents are enrolling their student at MAUSD with a few opting for other choices. Facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water repair completed (new UV bulbs) waiting on quote for new control board Dishwasher delivery was delayed so not yet installed, looking to reschedule Flooring vendors have been contacted Calendar: Both the 23/24 and 24/25 Calendar is posted on our website, along with the new interactive calendar with key events listed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23/24: Last day of school: We have 7 weeks of school left and closing out the year! Waiting on AOE approval for finalizing the last day. Currently 175 days brings us to Monday June 17th. I have requested a one day waiver request for Jan 10. Awaiting decision from the current Education Secretary. If approved the last day would be Friday 6/14. Key dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gr. 5-6 play next Thursday the 9th at Burnham Hall 1PM and 6PM "Adventures of a Comic Book Artist" Gr 6th grade Promotion June 13th. State news <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VT Senate voted against confirmation of Zoie Saunders as new Secretary of Education. Governor Scott responded nearly immediately by naming Ms. Saunders as interim Secretary of Education. Following that announcement Ms Saunders sent out her 100-day plan. <p>-The school has been given community eligibility status. (Universal Meals)</p>	

		-Ron and Amy are working on a long-range facilities plan.	
8	6:24	Action Item Review and approve employee resignation	Jessica Condil's resignation approved unanimously.
10	6:37	Action Item Review and approve updates to the following previously-approved, VSBA required policy (replacement of policy on Wellness and Comprehensive Health) C9: Local Wellness Policy Guide (link to AOE template) Discussion: need to clarify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how is the revised AOE policy different from the Wellness policy that has already been approved by the Board? Jeanne will compare the previous policy with the proposed policy. • Amy will speak to Brooke Smalls (LSD food service consultant) for additional input 	<i>No action taken at this time.</i>
11	6:52	Discussion re the upcoming May 14 meeting with a <i>Finance, Food Service, and Facilities</i> presentation (Andy, Brittany, Deirdre, Amy) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board questions and requests for specific information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Can we purchase food locally? (Smalls can answer this.) Do we have a goal? How to divert food waste? What is the food plan for next year? o Overall financial check in/status o Will the move to LTWADM (vs EQP) change the way tuition rates are calculated? o What about our surplus? Reserve fund? What can we spend this year that we won't need to spend or put in budget for next year? o Transportation—options? 	
12	7:22	Discussion: District/Board participation in Green-Up Day/Volunteer Fair, sponsored by the Lincoln Library Board May 4, 10-noon. Deirdre K. and Mary G. will set up a table at the firehouse. Focus will be on expressing gratitude to the town.	
13	7:32	Board Retreat: Board availability was confirmed for Tuesday July 9 th 12-6 pm (?) with July 8 th as backup. What should be done in advance? Check with Christina? Ideas? Mary will contact facilitator and venue to finalize.	
14	7:43	Next steps and major items for next meeting: Finance, food, facilities presentation—prepare questions Next meeting will be held at the school 6-8 pm—tour of building @ 5:30	
15	7:49	Adjourn	