

MINUTES OF THE LEWISTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MONDAY, MAY 4, 2026 AT 5:30 PM AT THE GREEN LADLE. (NOTE: These minutes are not official until approved by the School Committee. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the **May 18, 2026** meeting).

Members Present: Luke Jensen, Phoenix McLaughlin, Janet Beaudoin, Elizabeth Eames, Julia Harper, Meghan Hird, Donna Gallant, Scott Harriman, Jake Langlais

Members Absent: Lynnea Hawkins

Employees Present: Karen Paquette, Bill Grant, Sue Williams, Jen LaBonte, Charlotte Johnson, Andrew Bard, Cody Swanson

Others Present: Students, Leigh Albert, Josie Albert, Amanda Dickes (GMRI)

CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Phoenix McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE INTRODUCTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Minutes of School Committee meetings
- 2) Personnel

FOR APPROVAL:

Certified Professionals			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Cara Jordan	Kindergarten Teacher	Montello Elementary School	August 24, 2026

Coaches			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Jennifer Martin	Assistant Coach Outdoor Track	Lewiston Middle School	May 4, 2026

Management			
Piper Norcross	Board Certified Behavior Analyst	District Wide	November 1, 2025

Support			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Kaitlin Ricker	Food Service Assistant	Geiger Elementary School	May 7, 2026

For Informational Purposes:

Transfers:

Certified Professionals					
Name	Position From	Location From	Position To	Location To	Date Effective

Kelvin Brassbridge	ELL Teacher	Montello Elementary School	ELL Teacher	Lewiston Middle School	August 24, 2026
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Resignations:

Certified Professionals			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Alexandra Berglund	Day Treatment Clinician	Lewiston High School	June 22, 2026
Michelle Geaghan	Resource Room Teacher	Lewiston Middle School	June 18, 2026
Amelia Watson	Grade 3 Teacher	Montello Elementary School	June 18, 2026
Dongmei Yuan	Grade 5 Teacher	Montello Elementary School	June 18, 2026

Educational Technicians			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Christine Beaucage	FLS, BHP Education Technician	Lewiston High School	June 18, 2026
Stephen Belleau	R. Room Education Technician	Geiger Elementary School	June 18, 2026
Support			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
William Curtis	Food Service Aide	McMahon Elementary School	April 27, 2026

Retirements:

Educational Technicians			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Arline Desrochers	FLS, BHP Education Technician	Lewiston High School	May 8, 2026

PUBLIC INPUT

None

RECOGNITION

Superintendent Jake Langlais, Jen Labonte and Sue Williams presented.
Students were recognized for the Maple Sugaring Project. Jen LaBonte was recognized for the GMRI Wayfinder Award.

LPS MAPLE SUGARING

Jen LaBonte shared slides on the Maple Sugaring project.

POLICIES

Assistant Superintendent Karen Paquette presented.

VOTED: (1) Motion to approve the 2nd read of the following policies.:

- a. BBA – School Committee Powers and Responsibilities

b. BCA – School Committee Member Code of Ethics
Meghan Hird – Janet Beaudoin (8-0).

REPORT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Phoenix McLaughlin reminded everyone that following the meeting, there will be a School Committee Retreat on district goals. May 14, 2026 is the top ten brunch. The school budget vote is coming up. The budget Town Hall is May 7th. The vote itself is May 12th.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Jake Langlais reported that the City Budget vote is May 5th. The Town Hall is May 7th and the referendum is May 12th.

REPORT FROM CITY COUNCIL REP

Scott Harriman reported the City Council meets on 5/5/26, workshop at 6:00 and a meeting at 7:00. The vote on the City Budget is May 19, 2026.

UPDATES FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE SUBCOMMITTEES

Finance – reviewed purchase card process.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURN

VOTED: (2) Motion to adjourn. Janet Beaudoin – Meghan Hird (8-0) 6:03 PM.

K. Jake Langlais, Superintendent
Lewiston Public Schools

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