

MINUTES OF THE LEWISTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MONDAY, APRIL 27, 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 4, 2026** meeting).

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

Members Absent: Meghan Hird

Employees Present: Karen Paquette, Bill Grant, Sue Williams, Rob Callahan, Jess Douin, Paul Kennedy

Others Present: Students: Jayden Gustafson, Cooper Beaulieu

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) Transactions
- 2) Minutes of School Committee meetings
- 3) Personnel
- 4) Policies
 - BBAA
 - BBB

FOR APPROVAL:

Certified Professionals			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Saera Ui Chearnaigh	Math Teacher	Lewiston Middle School	August 24, 2026
Nathan Doane	Grade 5 Teacher	Connors Elementary School	August 24, 2026
Christopher Staples	Special Education Day Treatment Teacher	Lewiston High School	April 6, 2026

Coaches			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Drew Lupardo	Assistant Boys Baseball Coach	Lewiston High School	April 8, 2026
Peter Parker	7th Grade Baseball Coach	Lewiston Middle School	April 6, 2026

Educational Technicians			
Daisy Delcourt	Special Education Functional Life Skills , BHP Education Technician	Lewiston Middle School	August 26, 2026

Management			
Brynn Emond	CLIMB BHP	McMahon Elementary School	May 14, 2026
Nicole Guerrette	CLIMB BHP	McMahon Elementary School	April 30, 2026

Support			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Michael Berube	Custodian I	Lewiston High School	April 2, 2026
Jada Brooke	Senior Principal Clerk	Lewiston Regional Technical Center	July 1, 2026
Robin Kus	Guidance Senior Principal Clerk	Lewiston High School	June 16, 2026
Marilou Zimich	Food Service Assistant	Lewiston High School	April 2, 2026

For Informational Purposes:

Transfers:

Educational Technicians					
Name	Position From	Location From	Position To	Location To	Date Effective
Crystal Vallieres	Self Contained, BHP	Connors Elementary School	RISE, BHP	McMahon Elementary School	April 2, 2026

Resignations:

Administration			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Kellie Burgess	Special Education Assistant Principal	Connors Elementary School	Date change April 17, 2026

Certified Professionals			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Rebekah Philbin	French Teacher	Lewiston High School	End of school year 2025-2026

Coaches			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Logan Michaud	JV Boys Lacrosse Coach	Lewiston High School	July 1, 2025

Educational Technicians			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Amanda Beggs	BHP, Med Tech	Connors Elementary School	April 6, 2026
Terri Blasi	1:1 BHP Education Technician	Farwell Elementary School	April 7, 2026
Kelsey Turner	RISE, BHP Education Technician	Farwell Elementary School	April 13, 2026 date change

Management			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Clovis Ihahore	Tech Specialist	Dingley Central Office	May 1, 2026
Alexandra Radcliffe	CLIMB, BHP	McMahon Elementary School	Date change April 2, 2026

Support			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Adam Campbell	Custodian I	Lewiston High School	April 4, 2026

Retirements:

Support			
Name	Position	Location	Date Effective
Debra Castonguay	Guidance Senior Principal Clerk	Lewiston High School	June 30, 2026

PUBLIC INPUT

None

FIELD TRIP

Rob Callahan, Jess Douin and Paul Kennedy presented.

VOTED: (1) Motion to approve the field trip request to attend the SkillsUSA National Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Janet Beaudoin – Donna Gallant (8-0).

Jayden Gustafson and Cooper Beaulieu both presented competition outline.

POLICIES

Assistant Superintendent Karen Paquette presented.

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

- a. BBA – School Committee Powers and Responsibilities
- b. BCA – School Committee Member Code of Ethics

Janet Beaudoin – Julia Harper (8-0).

SCHOOL COMMITTEE GOALS

Superintendent Jake Langlais presented.

What would you like at the Workshop?

- Engagement efforts – what are we already doing.
- Graduation rate – efforts, pathways.
- Looking for goals – not outcomes, like grad rate (LJ). Consider one theme at a time.
- Think about comparisons – we are so unique.
- Start messy – brain dump then discuss.
- Goals with measures.
- (Example) Luke Jensen - increase student engagement and parent engagement.
- Create a rotation quarterly – pre-planned
- Trends may be better than numbers.
- Wants to understand CNA process more.

LEARNING SPACE CONCEPT PLAN ON MAIN STREET

Superintendent Jake Langlais shared slides.

- 6, 7 8th – career & tech flexible spaces.
- Space is an issue with elementary and child development services.
- CDS is going to be a challenge.
- Rotate kids through buildings as an idea shared.
- Hopefully some grants can be acquired to move forward.

FUTSOL COURT PROPOSAL

Superintendent Jake Langlais presented the Futsol Court proposal.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Phoenix McLaughlin reported that the early vote is May 6th and 7th. The referendum is May 12, 2026.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Jake Langlais reported on the gift from the Lahey family. May 18th will be added to the School Committee meeting schedule. The School Committee calendar is being drafted for next year.

REPORT FROM CITY COUNCIL REP

Scott Harriman reported the next budget meetings are Tuesday and Thursday. The school budget will be presented next Tuesday, May 5th. The City Council would like a clean copy of the budget.

UPDATES FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE SUBCOMMITTEES

Curriculum met on 4/27 – review, reviewed purpose. Chairperson is Luke Jensen.
Policy – meeting about cell phone policy.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Cell phones – Donna Gallant

ADJOURN

VOTED: (3) Motion to adjourn. Janet Beaudoin – Julia Harper (8-0) 7:41 PM.

K. Jake Langlais, Superintendent
Lewiston Public Schools

KJL/cdc