

Proceedings of Leyton Public Schools Board of Education  
Cheyenne County School District #17-0003  
January 12, 2026  
High School Library  
Regular Board Meeting - January 12, 2026  
6:00 PM

**Call to Order:**

The regular board meeting of Leyton Public School District Board of Education was called to order on January 12, 2026, at 6:00 PM, in the Library of Leyton High School, Dalton, NE 69131. The Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall of the Library. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in Sidney Sun-Telegraph, Leyton High School, Leyton Elementary/JH, at various business in the community, and on the school website ([www.leytonwarriors.org](http://www.leytonwarriors.org)) on or before INSERT DATE HERE.

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM.

Benish: Present  
Ernest: Present  
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Jones: Present  
Schumacher: Present  
Wiedeman: Present

Moved by Benish, seconded by Ernest to Sam schumacher for President Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Benish to Dave Weideman for Vice President Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Wiedeman to Suzy Ernest for Secretary of Board of Education Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Jones to Shad Benish as treasurer Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the agenda Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Ernest to Mr. Jones reports people Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Benish to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2025 meeting. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Wiedeman to approve the claims, warrants, and transfers. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Ernest to approve the appointment of Matt McLaughlin as the designated official of the Board of Education with authority to apply for Elementary and Secondary Education Act Grants and to testify before legislative committees, and the district Nondiscrimination Compliance Coordinator. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Jones to approve the mission and vision statements. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Ernest to approve designating legal counsel for the district as Simmons Olson Law Firm. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Ernest to approve the appointment of Mr. Jones as the Title IX Coordinator and Compliance Coordinator. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Schumacher, seconded by Benish to approve designating Points West Bank as the Depository Bank for the District. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Benish to Approve the Designation of Rauner and Associates as the Auditors for the district. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Ernest, seconded by Schumacher to approve the annual report of the district. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Wiedeman, seconded by Benish to Approve the resignation of Julie Bellendir and thank her for her years of service to the district. Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Moved by Benish, seconded by Ernest to adjourn at 7:33 PM Roll Call vote: Benish: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Ernest: Yea, Jones: Yea, Schumacher: Yea, Wiedeman: Yea Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Approved by,

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzy Ernestr, Secretary  
Leyton Board of Education

Matt McLaughlin,  
Recording Secretary