

**JOHANNESBURG-LEWISTON AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING
August 21, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Johannesburg-Lewiston Board of Education was called to order by President Scott Mathewson at 6:00 pm in the Johannesburg High School Library.

ROLL CALL

Present: Linc Campbell, Frank Claeys, Wendy Huston, Nancy Kussrow, Scott Mathewson, Mike Vogt

Absent: Ursula Owens

Administration: High School Principal Curt Chrencik, Lewiston School Principal Gina Robertson, Johannesburg K-8 Principal Nancy Odren, Superintendent Katy Xenakis-Makowski

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hearing no objections or corrections, President Scott Mathewson approved the minutes of the regular meeting of July 17, 2023.

Ayes: All Motion carried

MANIFEST OF BILLS – ALL FUNDS

Motion was made by Campbell and supported by Huston to approve the Manifest of Bills – All Funds in the amount of \$1,063,219.03.

Ayes: All Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

None

BOARD INFORMATION REPORT

Merisa Campbell, Director of Finance presented pre-audit findings and requested the board's approval to start raises with the first pay in September as in years past. Deputy Greg Kates, School Resource Officer gave the Board a review of the trainings he has attended and expressed his excitement and gratitude to be back in the district this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Principals

Mrs. Odren and Mrs. Robertson gave an update on plans for the Back to School BBQs happening in both buildings. Both buildings are almost fully staffed and ready to start the year. Mrs. Odren took a moment to recognize Mrs. Kristine Speerstra, Johannesburg Kindergarten teacher, for being awarded the American Legion Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Robertson noted the individuals that were awarded grants through various programs to help support the school.

Mr. Chrencik updated the Board on the finishing touches being placed on the Master Schedule for High School. Welcome back letters went out to parents and staff in preparation of the 2023-2024 school year starting.

Superintendent

Mrs. Makowski provided an update regarding the bond project. An outside company was hired to address the baseball/softball outfields. The Lewiston and the "old" Johannesburg building have passed all required inspections to be open for the start of the school year. Mrs. Makowski plans to record a video to share construction updates with the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

