

**Lisbon School Committee Minutes
March 11, 2019**

Minutes of the Lisbon School Committee held at the Lisbon Town Office on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. (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 April 8, 2019 meeting.)

Members Present: Traci Austin; Ross Cunningham; Kim Labbe-Poisson; Paula Jefferies; Kathi Yergin and Richard A. Green, Superintendent of Schools

Members Excused:

Administrators Present: James Churchill, Technology Director; Julie Colello, Assistant Principal/Activities Director; Eric Hall, Assistant Principal/Activities Director; Robert Kahler, Principal; John LaPerriere, Assistant Principal; Susan Magee, Principal; Haley McCrater-Redman, Business Manager; Ryan McKenney, Interim Principal; Barbara Morris, Director of GSS and Allen Ouellette, Director of Operations and Transportation

Administrators Excused: Allison Leavitt, Nutrition Director

Others Present: Members of the public

CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Austin called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. **VOTED (1)** to accept the Minutes of February 11th and February 25, 2019 as presented barring any errors or omissions. (Cunningham-Jefferies) (5-0)

5. **ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

A. None.

6. **Good News & Recognition:**

A. Winter Sports Update – AP/AD Eric Hall presented the school committee with a handout outlining each of the winter 2018-19 sports and provided highlights on each. Lastly, Mr. Hall shared the students named to the All-Conference Teams.

7. **Reports from Administrators/Directors:**

- A. LHS Update – Principal Magee reported on Enrollment; Testing and Safety. Principal Magee then shared some happenings around school to include the following:
- Sports Highlights- The sign ups have begun for spring sports! Principal Magee also congratulated the LHS Competition Cheering Team for being the 2019 MVC Championships! Lastly Principal Magee congratulated Noah Austin for being a finalist for the Travis Roy Hockey Award.
 - Count Me In – Attendance Matters hero’s challenge (3 weeks) – Three students were chosen at random who had perfect attendance for full school days during the 3 week challenge (no tardies, dismissals or absences) and won 2 tickets (each) to a Red Claws game.
 - Electives at the HS (highlights) – Intro to Criminal Justice students enjoyed having Police Chief Marc Hagan come in and talk to them about the police recruitment and some of the realities of becoming/being a police officer. Intro to Robotics students are continuing to climb the learning curve and getting acquainted with the EV3 brick software and coding. Publishing students have recently created a flyer in conjunction with the LHS librarian (Mrs. Thompson) announcing the launching of the new marketplace.
 - Recognition – Mrs. Magee gave recognition to the Titan Challenge Team, Unified Basketball, Lisbon High School Cheerleaders and Lisbon Drama.
 - Guidance Update – Mrs. Magee shared that they are in the process of recruiting freshman girls for the Olympia Snowe Women’s Leadership Institute.
 - New afterschool groups – GSTA (Gay, Straight, Transgender Alliance), Dungeons and Dragons Club (meets weekly on Wednesdays in the library)
 - Lastly, Mrs. Magee shared that we will be participating in the Mobile Pantry by Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program (MCHPP) – This is a partnership between school and community.
- B. PWS Update- Interim Principal McKenney reported on enrollment and completed safety drills. Interim Principal McKenney continued to give updates on the following:

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- School Culture – Last week PWS hosted Zeus of the Harlem Globetrotters for a whole school assembly where he showed off his basketball skills and spoke to the students about bullying and healthy choices.
 - Athletics – PWS Students lined the hallways during the Special Olympics send-off. Students made signs and cheered on the competitors as they left for the winter games. The PWS Spring Sports Season will begin in the next few weeks with the PWS baseball team looking to repeat Capital Area League champions.
 - Clubs – The Art Club went to the Portland Museum of Art on a grant funded trip and Student Council collected and donated over 500 items during their food drive.
 - Childhood Trauma Learning Initiative- Interim Principal McKenney shared that he was chosen to receive one of two fellowships from Yale University, granted to Maine Educators for research in childhood trauma. Through this initiative, PWS will be granted free resources and staff trainings in evidence-based prevention and treatment for students who have experienced or may be at risk for experiencing childhood trauma and be on the forefront of research for this cause.
- C. LCS Update- Principal Kahler gave an update on enrollment and completed safety drills. Next Principal Kahler reported on the following.
- Parent Teacher Conferences – Are being held on Thursday, March 14th.
 - Professional Development – One of the districts Occupational Therapist who is one of the driving forces behind our play with purpose committee designed an activity that teachers could create in their classroom with available supplies which will help students refocus while providing academic practice combined with movement. More than a dozen staff members have already signed up to pilot this in their classroom. Also in Professional Development, we are in the process of curriculum review and revision.
 - Testing Update – MEA Testing is due to begin next week and NAEP Testing is completed.
 - Literacy Event: The CEO of Central Maine Power has contacted his former Kindergarten Teacher, Mrs. O’Connell and will be bringing a Maine Author to her classroom where he will read one of her books, which he will provide to all of her students, and the Author will also work with her students. The date for this is TBD.