

LEIPSIC LOCAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
Minutes

Date: May 14, 2025 . Kind of Meeting: Regular .

The Leipsic Local Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

The following board members were present: Brian Reynolds, John Schortgen, Sam Walther, Barry Ward, and Kirk Wensink.

Administration present included: Greg Williamson, Superintendent; Brian Bennett, MS/HS Principal; Megan Tobe, Elementary Principal; and David Miller, Treasurer.

In attendance were two students, eight parents, four staff members, one community member and one guest.

A motion was made by John Schortgen, and seconded by Kirk Wensink, to approve the minutes of the April 2025 board meetings. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed 5-0.

Barry Ward made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the move, to approve financial statements as presented (Bills, Interest, etc.). Vote: Barry Ward—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Recognition of Visitors and Comments from Guests:
Mr. Randy Gardner presented on joining CORAS and the State Budget.
Mrs Mariah Zuniga, Varsity Cheer Coach, addressed the board regarding Competition Cheer.

OLD BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS

Fiscal Items:

Sam Walther made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the motion, to approve the following Transfers/Advances/Advance Backs:

Type	From Fund	To Fund	Amount
Advance	001-0000	572-9025	\$ 8,346.52
Advance	001-0000	590-9025	1,344.18

Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Personnel:

Sam Walther made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the motion, to approve Hannah Wren as an Vocal Music Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year, with 1 year experience, Bachelor’s Degree, per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

John Schortgen made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the motion, to approve the following certified contracts for the 2025-2026 school year.

Andrea Maidlow	Continuing Contract
Rebecca Ellerbrock	Five-Year Limited Contract
Emily Frick	Five-Year Limited Contract
Joseph Kirkendall	Five-Year Limited Contract
Abigail Nussbaum	Five-Year Limited Contract
Colleen Siefker	Five-Year Limited Contract
Amy Ellerbrock	Two-Year Limited Contract
Madison Hartle	Two-Year Limited Contract
Amy Higley	Two-Year Limited Contract
Alaina Schimmoeller	Two-Year Limited Contract
Haley Smith	Two-Year Limited Contract
Victoria Wagner	Two-Year Limited Contract
Shylene Giron	One-Year Limited Contract
Lyndie Gerdeman	One-Year Limited Contract
Kellie Hermiller	One-Year Limited Contract
Estella Martinez	One-Year Limited Contract

Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the motion, to approve the following classified contracts for the 2025-2026 school year.

Shea Beckett	Two-Year Limited Contract
Ashlee Berger	Two-Year Limited Contract
Shelly Meyer	Two-Year Limited Contract
Brittani Schroeder	Two-Year Limited Contract

Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Sam Walther—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Sam Walther made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the move, to approve the following athletic supplemental contracts for 2025-26 as recommended by the Athletic Director and approved by the high school principal.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Column</u>	<u>Exp</u>	<u>Compensation*</u>
Brent Newell	Head Volleyball				
Hayley Heitmeyer	Varsity Asst. Volleyball				
Lyndie Gerdeman	Junior Varsity Volleyball				
Shylene Giron	9 th Grade Volleyball				
Serenity Siefer	8 th Grade Volleyball				
Abbie Like	7 th Grade Volleyball				
Ashley Schroeder	Jr. High Volleyball Assistant				
Joe Kirkendall	Head Football				
Kurt Steffan	Varsity Asst. Football				
Jon Spurgeon	Varsity Asst. Football				
Sam Schroeder	Varsity Asst. Football				
Kevan Westenbarger	Varsity Asst. Football				
Sean Brock	Varsity Asst. Football				
Jacob Carrizales	Volunteer Asst. Football				
Kirk Wensink	Volunteer Asst. Football				
Jeff Kirkendall	Volunteer Asst. Football				
Joe Berger	Head JH Football				
Greg Berger	JH Asst. Football				
Fabian Pena	JH Asst. Football				
Aaron Tussing	Volunteer JH Football				
Dillan Niese	Volunteer JH Football				
Stacy Campbell	Head Cross Country				
Kevin Brandt	Head Golf				
K. Mike McKeen	Varsity Asst. Golf				
Darren Henry	Head Baseball				
Stacy Campbell	Head Boys’ Track				
Michelle Flores	Head Girls’ Track				
Devin Mangas	Head Boys’ Basketball				
Kirk Wensink	Volunteer Head Girls’ Basketball				

*Salaries contingent upon negotiated agreement. ** Documented evidence of a clear criminal record.

Vote: Sam Walther—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—abstained. Motion passed: 4-0-1.

Sam Walther made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the move, to approve the following supplemental contracts for 2025-26 per attached:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Column</u>	<u>Exp</u>	<u>Compensation*</u>
Brent Newell	Athletic Director				
Kevan Westenbarger	Co-Asst. Athletic Director				
Stacy Campbell	Co-Asst. Athletic Director				
Elena Beaupre	Class Advisor Grade 12				
Yvette Schroeder	Class Advisor Grade 11				
Shelly Nagel	Jr. High Advisor				
Rachael Langhals	Art Club Advisor				
Robb Cupp	Quiz Team Advisor				
Russ Wenzinger	National Honor Society				
Stacy Campbell	Student Council Advisor				
Elena Beaupre	Spanish Club Advisor				
Robb Cupp	Science Club Advisor				
Yvette Schroeder	FBLA Advisor				
Colleen Siefker	FCCLA Advisor				
Melissa Meyer	Co-Yearbook Advisor				
Chelsea Escamilla	Co-Yearbook Advisor				
Andrew Stein	Pep Band				
Hannah Wren	Choir Director				
Andrew Stein	Marching Band				
Hannah Wren	Asst. Marching Band				
Amanda Goodwin	Flag Advisor				
Mariah Zuniga	Varsity Cheer Football				
Mariah Zuniga	Varsity Cheer Basketball				
Makayla Torres-Garcia	JV Cheer Football				
Makayla Torres-Garcia	JV Cheer Basketball				
Kelly Rader	JH Cheer Football				
Aubrey Guerra	JH Cheer Basketball				
Yvette Schroeder	Prom Advisor				

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Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Barry Ward made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the motion, to approve the following substitutes for the 2025-26 school year.

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Substitutes

Bus Drivers: Alex Amador, Michael Benton, Joyce Ginther, Carroll McDaniel, Robert Niese, Derrick Schroeder, and Robert Schroeder
Cafeteria: Christina Gable, Angie Orduno, Gwen Schroeder, and Paula Weis
Custodial: Karen Gillespie, Shelly Meyer, Andrea Wagner, Joseph Weis and Tami Wensink
Secretarial: Brandi Meyer

Vote: Barry Ward—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Kirk Wensink—abstained. Motion passed: 4-0-1.

Sam Walther moved, and Kirk Wensink seconded the motion, to approve the MS/HS handbook for the 2025-2026 school year per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

093-25
MS/HS
Handbook

John Schortgen moved, and Barry Ward seconded the motion, to approve the athletic handbook for the 2025-2026 school year per attached. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

094-25
Athletic
Handbook

Sam Walther moved, and Kirk Wensink seconded the motion, to approve the athletic coaches’ handbook for the 2025-2026 school year per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

095-25
Coaches’
Handbook

Sam Walther made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the motion, to approve the resolution between Energy Optimizers USA, LLC and the Leipsic Local School District for the Varsity Gym HVAC Project per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

096-25
HVAC
Varsity Gym

Barry Ward made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the motion, to approve the Athletic Training Agreement between Leipsic High School and P.T. Services Rehabilitation for the 2025-2026 school year per attached. Vote: Barry Ward—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

097-25
Athletic
Training

Executive Session:

John Schortgen made a motion, and Kirk Wensink seconded the move, to enter into executive session at 8:26 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student; for the preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees; and for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

098-25
Executive
Session

The board returned from executive session at 9:02 p.m.

Sam Walther made a motion, and Barry Ward seconded the move, to approve the negotiated agreement between the Leipsic Local Board of Education and the Leipsic Education Association (Certified Staff) effective 08/01/2025 through 07/31/2028 per attached. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Barry Ward—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

099-25
Certified
Negotiated
Contract

Barry Ward made a motion, and John Schortgen seconded the move, to approve the negotiated agreement between the Leipsic Local Board of Education and the Leipsic Education Association (Classified Staff) effective 07/01/2025 through 06/30/2028 per attached. Vote: Barry Ward—yea; John Schortgen—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Sam Walther—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Classified
Negotiated
Contract

Kirk Wensink made a motion, and Sam Walther seconded the move, to approve the staff bonus (negotiated in both agreements) per attached; said bonus to be paid 06/12/2025. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

101-25
Staff
Bonus

PLANNING and DISCUSSION

- Superintendent Comments
- Board Round Robin

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

John Schortgen made a motion, seconded by Sam Walther, to hold the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 in the Media Center. Vote: John Schortgen—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; Barry Ward—yea; and Kirk Wensink—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

102-25
Meeting
Date

Sam Walther made a motion, seconded by Kirk Wensink, to hold a Special Board Meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 30, 2025 in the Administrative Conference Room. Vote: Sam Walther—yea; Kirk Wensink—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Special
Meeting

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Kirk Wensink made a motion, seconded by Sam Walther to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Kirk Wensink—yea; Sam Walther—yea; Brian Reynolds—yea; John Schortgen—yea; and Barry Ward—yea. Motion passed: 5-0.

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Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

President

Treasurer