APPROVED

Arlee Joint School District #8

Minutes

Arlee Board of Trustees

Date and Time
Tuesday May 12, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location
Arlee Elementary Commons Area

Trustees Present
Brian Johnson BigSam, Lindsey O'Neill, Lisa Koetter, Samantha Lytle

Trustees Absent
Phaedrus Swab

Guests Present
Anne Tanner, Cory Beckham, Jake Bosley, Lonnie Morin

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Brian Johnson BigSam called a meeting of the board of trustees of Arlee Joint School District #8 to order on Tuesday May 12, 2026 at 6:30 PM.

C. Public Comment

D.

Approve Closed session minutes from March 26, 2026

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to approve closed meeting minutes form March 26, 2026.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Approve Minutes April 14, 2026

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to approve the minutes from Arlee Board of Trustees on 04-14-26.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Trustees Resolution requesting Lake County conduct elections

B. Substitute Bus Driver: Drew Hendrickson

C. Side by Side: Professional Development Proposal

D. Review Policies for Technology: Policy 3612, 5450, 5460

E. Advertise for .5 FTE summer custodian

F. Vote on Consent Agenda

Lisa Koetter made a motion to approve the consent agenda as listed.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. New Business

A. Recommendation from bids for Abatement and Demolition - 3-6 building

Lisa Koetter made a motion to approve the recommendation for abatement and demolition of the 3-6 building. Lindsey O'Neil seconded.

Superintendent Beckham requested that the Board award the abatement bid to ACM at $393,507, and award the demolition bid to Bjorn Johnson Construction at $348,078. There is $500,000 left in bond funds at present, so the elementary would need to use around $250,000 of the HS Impact Aid reserves to complete the project.

After discussion, the Board tabled this motion until the May 27th special meeting.

B. Title VI Indian Parent Committee Bylaws

Samantha Lytle made a motion to approve the Title VI Indian Parent Committee Bylaws.
Lisa Koetter seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Indian Policies and Procedures FY2027 - revised

Lisa Koetter made a motion to approve the revised IPPs for 2027.
Lindsey O'Neill seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Classified Non-Renewal FY2027

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to to approve the classified non-renewal for FY2027 as attached to the agenda.
Lisa Koetter seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Classified Renewal FY2027

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to to approve the classified renewal list as attached to the agenda.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Tenured Renewal - FY2027

Samantha Lytle made a motion to approve tenured renewal list, removing Jennifer Kruschke, Michael Streibel and Raymond Guest.
Lisa Koetter seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Samantha Lytle made a motion to approve non tenured renewal of Micheal Streibel, Jennifer Kruschke, and Raymond Guest.
Lisa Koetter seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

G. Update on Superintendent interviews

Chair Johnson BigSam updated the public on the offer of a contract to Kevin Meredith. He was their first choice and they felt like the offer was good enough. Mr. Meredith did not accept the offer, so the Board moved to their second choice.

The second choice was Kendal Baldwin. She knows our school district and community, had great energy during her interview. She was the entire Board's second choice.

H. Approve Contract offered to Kendal Baldwin

Samantha Lytle made a motion to approve the contract offered to Kendal Baldwin for $105,000, on a two year contract with a $75/month stipend for use of her personal cellphone for district business.
Lisa Koetter seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Board Reports

A. Administration Reports

B. Arlee Federation of Teachers Report

Bonnie White stated that they are still in negotiations. Hope to have something figured out this month. The NHS ceremony has been moved to May 26th. Shout out to staff this past week for helping one of their own. Support has been incredible and this is a testament to our great community.

V. Payroll, Claims and District Financial Reports

A. Reports

Lisa Koetter made a motion to moved to approve the claims, payroll and reports.
Lindsey O'Neill seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Regular Meeting - June 9, 2026

B. Adjourn Meeting

Lindsey O'Neill made a motion to to adjourn.
Samantha Lytle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lindsey O'Neill