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LINCOLN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 24, 2025

The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Transportation Committee was called to order by Suzy Rios at 11:00 a.m. on July 24, 2025, in the conference room of the main Lincoln County Courthouse. A quorum was established with the following individuals in attendance:

Present in person:	Present via Zoom:
Suzy Rios , LC Superintendent of Schools / Chair	Christina Schertel , Troy School District #1
Jim Hammons , Lincoln County Commissioner	Keith Haggerty , Troy School District #1
Corrina Brown , Lincoln County C&R	John Hannay , Eureka School District #13
Bonnie Gold , Trego School District #53	Joel Graves , Eureka School District #13
	Cecilia Peterson , Fortine School District #14

Suzy welcomed all members and reminded the committee that the annual transportation meeting is a state requirement to review and vote on district bus route changes or confirmations.

Suzy asked if members had reviewed the **July 18, 2024 minutes**. Christina **moved** to approve the minutes from July 18, 2024. Second by John Henny, with all in favor. No public comment.

Suzy reviewed the purpose of the meeting and began roll call by district to determine if there were any changes to bus routes:

- **Troy School District** – No changes (confirmed by Christina Schertel)
- **Eureka School District** – No changes (confirmed by John Henny)
- **Fortine School District** – No changes (confirmed by Cecilia)
- **Trego School District** – Routes have minor changes (reported by Bonnie Gold)
- **McCormick School District** – No changes (reported via Suzy proxy for Shannon)
- **Yaak School District** – All students are on individual contracts, no bus routes
- **Libby School District** – Ron Goodman not present; Suzy will follow up separately

Motion by Commissioner Hammons to approve the bus routes presented. Second by Christina Schertel, with all in favor. No public comment.

Suzy reminded all members to submit updated Transportation Resolutions (TR) for the current school year, even if there are no changes.

New Business discussion included:

- Suzy proposed a follow-up poll in October to determine if another meeting is needed for any route amendments.

Additional discussion:

- Christina Schertel and other members commented that snow plowing was improved this past year.
- Bonnie Gold mentioned effective collaboration with a new county plow operator.

Commissioner Hammons noted possible upcoming Kootenai River bridge construction on Highway 2 north of Troy. The start date is unclear, but the project may impact transportation in the fall if not completed beforehand.

- Corrina will send Suzy further information and Suzy will distribute updates to the group.
- Concern was expressed about limited alternative routes for buses should the bridge be closed.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim Hammons. Second by both Christina Schertel and Cecilia Peterson. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.