OFFICIAL MINUTES JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342 CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 in the School Library as posted. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustees Kathryn Bomar and Eric Steigers, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Shannon Morris, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols, and two staff members. (Absent-Trustee Dustin Heinzerling)

ORDER/SALUTE

Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and those present joined in the flag salute.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Budget Status (1/31/14) –less than \$21,000 of projected revenue has been received to date with another SDE payment to come in February. Expenses are running as expected with the budget looking good.

Board Training-Red Lion in Lewiston on 2/13/14 at 8:00 am -3:30 p.m. with ISBA and afternoon meeting with students and staff. Breakfast Program has about 30 participants eating each day with additional information to follow next month.

Legislative update – JFAC will be setting the budget next month. It will be interesting to see if they follow the Governor or State Superintendent recommendation or a variation of either/both. They have been discussing a 2% increase for state employees. Mr. Luna announced that he will not be running for re-election. Several people have stated their interests in running. Mr. Quarrels has resigned since Superintendent Luna declared that this is his final term in office.

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Enrollment – 85 students with 51 in the P/K-6th grade and 34 in the 7-12th grades.

Students of the Month – Jimmy Lomanto was selected as the elementary and Colton Dudley for the secondary students.

Honor Roll (3.0 GPA or higher) – 12 students in 7-12th made the honor roll this semester.

Title IA Math Fun Night – The event had 88 in attendance and went very well with student and parent participation. Thank you to the PTSA for providing the pizza during the evening.

Girls Basketball – the season is now finished after their loss at the District tournament.

Boys Basketball – Highland will have the play-in game for the tournament on Monday at 1:00 p.m. at LCSC.

PUBLIC COMMENTS-none

BOARD COMMENTS

Chairman informed the Board that Kendrick school had a lockdown earlier due to a man with a gun walking down the road in town. This was a precaution as the man never went onto the school grounds.

Trustee Eric Steigers informed the Board that the explanation was that the man was doing some military training.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher commented that Grangeville also was on lockdown earlier due to a toy gun being brought into the school.

Chairman asked if local law enforcement is familiar with our school facility.

Principal replied yes as our staff and students have done lockdown drills with the county and tribal law enforcement.

CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda/Minutes/Finance Report/Current Bills/Employee Leave Approval)

Superintendent requested that Emergency Closure for Furnace problem on (2/10/14) be added under New Business.

Trustee Eric Steigers moved to accept the consent agenda as amended. Seconded by Bryce Scrimsher/Motion passed.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SECOND READING POLICY 715.0 – STUDENT DRESS CODE

Superintendent reviewed the changes with inclusion for staff to request no hats in their own classroom.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher noted a concern regarding shorts.

Principal replied that short shorts were not allowed. Regular shorts are not a concern and appropriate.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to accept Policy 715.0 Student Dress Code for the second reading as presented. Seconded by Eric

Steigers/Motion passed.

SUPPLEMENTAL 2-YEAR LEVY REQUEST FOR 2014-2016

Superintendent asked the Board to set a date for a special meeting for the public to discuss any levy item questions. The PTSA is going to print a flyer with additional information and post it throughout the community. Mr. Felgenhauer suggested either March 3rd or 4th for the meeting with the information to be included in the school newsletter. The new levy will replace the old levy that expires in June.

Trustee Kathryn Bomar stated that the Ward's called her when the newsletter came out that they were happy to see that the levy request was for the same amount of \$250,000 for the next two years.

Trustee Eric Steigers was concerned that the newsletter information maybe short notice but will give patrons an opportunity to ask questions. It would be a good idea to supply information at the sausage feed as well. The Tuesday meeting would work better for my schedule.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher mentioned that the Supplemental Levy has been on the last two months agenda and patrons have not come to the meetings and asked any questions.

Principal commented that she has received some phone calls regarding the amount of the building maintenance request on the levy. She informed them of the old building needing a new roof and the boiler/furnace issues which satisfied the caller who then understood the reason for the amount requested. Night of the Arts in coming up the end of February and a table with information could be available that evening.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to hold a special meeting on March 4th at 7:00 for a public levy discussion. Seconded by Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN ENROLLMENT REQUEST FOR 2014-15

Superintendent informed the Board that eight students submitted applications to attend 2014-15 school year.

Chairman asked the Principal if their attendance is good. Principal replied – yes.

Trustee Eric Steigers asked if the students pay an out of district fee. Chairman replied – no.

Trustee Eric Steigers moved to approve the open enrollment requests as presented. Seconded by Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

SURPLUS PROPERTY DECLARATION

Superintendent requested a table and desk be declared surplus as they were broken. The Counselor plans to restructure/build a standing desk.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to declare the items as surplus property. Seconded by Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

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MARCH AND APRIL BOARD MEETING DATES CHANGE

Superintendent requested the March meeting be changed to the Thursday the 13th due to schedule conflict for him and April changed to the 16th since Spring Break is the first week of that month.

Principal reported that in April the Book Fair will be in the Library so the meeting room will need to be changed as well.

Trustee Kathryn Bomar moved to change the Board meetings to the 13th of March and April 16th. Seconded by Bryce Scrimsher/Motion passed.

COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION PROGRAM

This program is under the National School Lunch Program which provides free and reduced price meals for breakfast and lunch at school. The reimbursement has a calculation of a percentage of students that qualify for free with a 1.6% factor. More guidelines will be coming for implementation for the 2014-15 school year from the USDA. A call to the SDE Child Nutrition Division will provide more information to follow for the next meeting.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE - FURNACE PROBLEM (2/10/14)

Superintendent reported that the furnace had switched off causing the building and classrooms to be too cold for school. It took several attempts to reset the switch for the furnace to turn on again.

Principal noted that the phones were out as well. The parents were being contacted from staff cell phones to let them know that students were headed home due to the cold classrooms.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to declare February 10, 2014 as an emergency school closure day. Seconded by Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to enter executive session as per IC 67-2345 for personnel and student matters. Seconded by Kathryn

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:00 PM

Personnel issue discussed. Student matter discussed.

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:45 PM

Minutes recorded by Superintendent

No decisions were made during executive session.

Bomar/Board Poll: Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes/Affirmative response.

PERSONNEL

Adjourned: 9:50 p.m.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to offer a contract to Alan Felgenhauer as Superintendent for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years. Seconded by Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to appoint Kathryn Bomar and Bryce Scrimsher to negotiate with the Teachers. Seconded by Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Chairman
Clerk

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