

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342  
CULDESAC ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 as posted/published at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustees Mitchell Reid and Eric Steigers, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Chase Woodford and Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols. (Trustee Zone #3 – vacant)

Order/Salute

Chairman Martin called the meeting to order and those present joined in the flag salute at 7:00 p.m.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Superintendent Report

Budget Status (3/31/20) – Revenue should carry us through August to pay accrual for salary and benefits. The district should end the year with a fund balance. The two-year levy for \$250,000 each year passed in March. This year the Governor is planning a 1% holdback due to the COVID-19 crisis. Next year the Governor is looking at a 5% budget holdback. Usually May is when a draft M&O budget is prepared for the Board to review. This June the remodel project for the safety reception area/administrative office updates will last until mid-August. The offices will move into the library for the summer during construction.

COVID-19 - Idaho SDE has declared soft closure for the remainder of the school year. Superintendent Felgenhauer agreed that Culdesac should wait to open in August. Board agreed to continue the soft closure and to pay staff their regular pay. Superintendent noted that small groups could be brought in if social distancing is maintained for those students that are struggling at home learning. Governor has not waived IRI testing or the Civics testing for this year.

Trustee Scrimsher noted that the high unemployment rates might affect the holdback as well.

Principal Report

Activities / Events – Principal Woodford updated the Board that elementary students are receiving homebound packets each week and the secondary are doing on-line classes. If a high school student does not have internet, then the school will help with that. Special Education has sent home reading packets and video tape the assignments for students. Students pick up their packet, return it when finished, and then pick up the next packet. The 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade students are doing google classroom for their schoolwork. Teachers are making calls to parents if work is not being returned.

Public Comments – None

Board Comments – None

CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda/Minutes/Finance Report/Current Bills/Employee Leave Approval/Approve Transfer of \$10,249 from General M&O Fund to Bus Account for annual depreciation/Annual Alumni Picnic – June-if needed)

Superintendent asked to remove Emergency Closure from the Agenda since Culdesac will continue the SDE soft closure.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS AGENDA

Unfinished Business

Proposed School Calendar 2020-2021

Superintendent reported that no changes were needed. Spring break will remain the same. COVID-19 maybe seasonal in the future as discussed by the news broadcastings.

Chairman asked if school would open earlier since students may need some remedial review.

Superintendent noted that school would not reopen until the construction is finished in August. The backbone of the work assignments cover the core of Math and ELA for the elementary. Secondary is doing all their class assignments.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the school calendar for 2020-2021 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

#### New Business

##### Open Enrollment Requests

Six applicants have applied for open enrollment as homeschool to take advantage of the dual credit option with LCSC. No Culdesac diploma is being considered.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the open enrollment requests. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

##### First Reading New Policy #202.4 – School Closure

Chairman noted that the policy would be considered the first reading as presented.

##### EXECUTIVE SESSION as per IC 74-206 1(b) for personnel and student matters

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to enter executive session as per IC 74-206 1(b) for personnel and student matters.

Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Board Poll: Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes. Affirmative response.

Into Executive Session at 7:40 PM.

Personnel – Staff considerations were discussed.

Clerk dismissed from session.

Student Matters – Open Enrollment requests discussed.

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:10 PM

No decisions were made during executive session

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Superintendent record minutes

##### OPEN SESSION

Personnel – Staff considerations

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the amendment to the Section 125 Plan effective April 15, 2020. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to place a certificated teacher on probation. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

##### Student Matters

Open Enrollment Requests– no decisions at this time.

Adjourned: 8:15 PM

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Chairman

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Clerk