

OFFICIAL MINUTES
JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342
CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 in the School Library at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustee Kathryn Bomar and Eric Steigers, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Chase Woodford, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols, and one employee. (Absent-Trustee Dustin Heinzerling)

ORDER/SALUTE

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

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

BUDGET STATUS (3/31/16) – Superintendent noted the expenditures were less than the revenues and projected a fund balance for the year. The new fiscal year will start with upgrades to the HVAC system.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – The Legislature approved the 2016-2017 K-12 Budget. The second year of the career ladder will be funded, discretionary unit funding to return to the level from six years ago, a three percent increase for administrative and classified staff salaries, leadership stipends for certificated staff and technology funding again for next year. Next week is the meeting with the State Department of Education to discuss the funding and law changes for next year. This total increase should be about 7.4% for schools. The legislature is reviewing election laws for trustees and campaign disclosure reporting. The constitution change option is being considered for religion and private schools to enable payment vouchers for student enrollment. Formula funding for schools is being reviewed and small schools may not be made whole like previous revisions in the funding.

FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM-is about \$5,000.00 short due to the enrollment being down. Overhead costs are the same and the District will need to cover the difference.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher commented that one school has opted out of the federal program and choose to cover all the costs. (This would allow school to promote own program guidelines.)

PRINCIPAL REPORT

ENROLLMENT – Elementary has 47 with Junior High at 25 and the High School with 24 for a total of 96 students.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH – Kimberly Babcock for Elementary and Daniel Wing for Secondary. Daniel has perfect attendance for the year and will qualify for the free Bike give-away from Toyota if he does not miss a day for the remainder of the school year. He is quite excited.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES – Participation was down this quarter. Elementary had 68% with the Junior High at 41% and the High School at 39%. The staff are discussing how to get the parents and community more involved with the school. The High School parents do not have the same connect with the teachers as the Elementary parents.

School student incentives with the Wolf Bucks has increased to include game competition with the staff.

The elementary and secondary enjoyed attending the Idaho Shakespeare Theater plays.

Student testing has started and will be going through the first week of May.

Chairman noted that the parents and community involvement with the school ideas are needed. The reader board and newsletter has helped with additional communication to the public. It might be possible to offer classes for the community to help get their interest back.

Trustee Eric Steigers commented that the High School students do not feel the need to drag the parents to the teacher conferences. The sports at the school offers a social interaction with parents and staff outside the classroom.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Hunt invited everyone to attend the Book Fair from May 2nd to the 5th. Title I Reading Night for students, parents and staff is Thursday, May 5th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Each child get a \$5.00 voucher to purchase a book. Activities, hotdogs and water will be provided as well that night.

Shebang Days is June 11th which would be great if the Board could enter a float in the parade to represent the school. The theme this year is "Everyday Hero". The staff would like to express their appreciation for what the Board does on behalf of the students for Culdesac School.

BOARD COMMENTS

Chairman noted that Kinzer Air offers career options to help train students with Scholarships to take HVAC School at LCSC. The obligation is that the students then work as employees after completing the training. Another career option is lineman training that lasts about 10 months. This is a highly paid job. It requires skills and many long hours of hard work out in the elements.

Superintendent commented that the lineman school in Meridian is very competitive.

CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda/Minutes/Finance Report/Current Bills/Leave Approval/Approval of Bus Depreciation Transfer of \$6,516.00 from General Fund to Bus Account/Approve -Fifth Annual Alumni Game-June 10th at 8-10 p.m.-Culdesac Gym/Annual Alumni Picnic-June 12th-Culdesac Gym-Approval

Superintendent asked to remove the item of Declare Bus Surplus since the new bus may not arrive until October after the school year starts. The additions request to the agenda is for Student Open Enrollment Request and Audit Bid Proposal under New Business.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PROPOSED REVISION OF 2016-2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

This change is for the week of spring break to be held the last week of March instead of the first week of April to match the calendar break with Highland School since we share athletics.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the revised calendar for the 2016-2017 school year as presented. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

INTERNET SERVICES BID FOR 2016-2019

Three bids were received. The new services will be effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Star Touch bid is \$99,563 each year which has a Microwave-wireless/Fiber delivery system network.

XO Communication bid is \$119,052.00 each year which is a full Fiber delivery network.

ENA bid is \$126,000 each year with a full Fiber delivery network.

The bid asked for a Fiber delivery network. The bid matrix scores XO Communication with the highest rating.

Superintendent recommended the XO Communications three year bid proposal as it met the specifications and is our current provider.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to accept the XO Communications bid for the 2016-2019 internet services for the School. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

APPROVE NEW HIRE-BRAD ALBOUCQ/MAINTENANCE

Superintendent informed the Board that Mr. Alboucq can do plumbing jobs and would be paid \$25.00 per hour. We will need him for about one day per month.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve hiring Brad Alboucq for maintenance as needed. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

OPEN ENROLLMENT REQUEST

School received a request for a 4th grader to attend school for the remainder of the year while the parent receives medical treatments. The student will be living with a relative in our school district.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the open enrollment request for the remainder of the school year. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

2016-2019 AUDIT PROPOSAL NOTICE APPROVAL

Superintendent explained that the previous bid proposal for the last three years expired. The notice will be sent out to three vendors to include: Hayden Ross of Moscow, Goffinet in Orofino and Presnell Gage in Lewiston.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the 2016-2019 Audit Bid Proposal Notice. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to enter executive session as per IC 74-206 for personnel and student matters. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Board Poll – Yes, Yes, Yes, and Yes/Affirmative response.

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:55 PM

Principal and Clerk dismissed from session

Personnel discussed. (Principal invited into session/dismissed)

Student matters discussed.

Superintendent records the minutes

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:15PM

No decisions were made during executive session.

PERSONNEL

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to rehire the Principal on a one (1) year contract. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to rehire the Board Clerk/Treasurer and Head Cook for one year. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to rehire four tenure teachers for the 2016-2017 school year. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to rehire one tenure teacher for the 2016-2017 school year. Seconded by Trustee Kathryn Bomar/Motion passed.

STUDENT MATTERS – None

ADJOURN: 9:18 PM

Chairman

Clerk