

OFFICIAL MINUTES
JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342
CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting in the school library on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. as posted/published. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustees Mitchell Reid and Eric Steigers, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Chase Woodford, Dean of Students Henry Filipponi, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols and two employees. (Zone #3 – Vacant)

ORDER/SALUTE

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

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Superintendent Report

*Budget Status (2/28/22) – SDE payment on February 15 based on student enrollment versus student attendance (ADA). County levy funds payment to be paid this summer with an additional two more SDE payments to complete the majority of the revenue for the district. Federal (ESSER) funds will need to be reviewed for budget amendment and next year's budget proposal. The federal funds received are calculated on the Free and Reduced Lunch Applications. The past two years with the SSO program, those applications have not been completed by parents since students received free meals. Next year the applications will be part of the enrollment process to get those numbers back that were lost due to COVID accommodations.

*ISBA is withdrawing the state association affiliation from the national association due to a difference of issues focus.

*Legislative Update – Legislature meetings covered All Day Kindergarten funding with Literacy funds, career ladder issues, Voucher discussions, Idaho core standards, Powerball (lottery) funding continuation, mask mandate exemptions, Homeschool issues, student data collection, Enrollment funding versus ADA, school readiness at age 4 option for Kindergarten, and conceal weapon issues.

*Graduation-Friday, June 3, 2022 at 6:22 p.m. in the school gym.

*Supplemental Levy - The two-year supplemental levy passed as reported by the unofficial results from Nez Perce/Lewis County. Next month the official results will need to be accepted by the Board.

Principals Report

9-12 Report– Dean of Students (HS) Henry Filipponi

*Enrollment for the high school is 30 students.

*Activities/Events – Tennis started their spring season. BPA has a state competition in Boise. Softball is doing a tri-coop with Highland and Nezperce as they start their spring season. Audre Jolly received a Journalism award to attend a summer class for credit in June. FFA attended a field trip to explore career opportunities in the area.

K-8 Report – Elementary Principal Chase Woodford

*Enrollment for Preschool is eight with the three year olds, 71 students in K-6 and 17 students in junior high.

*Activities/Events – Thank you to the patrons for supporting and passing the school levy. Student of the Month is Roark Sargent. Read Across America went well last week. Deputy King came in and read to classes. Deputy Brown has visited the cafeteria and joined students for lunch. The students are seeing another side to the law enforcement that is good.

Thank you to Mindy, Carol and Staci for helping out with the cleaning of the building this month. We are looking to find some subs to help. Parent-Teacher Conferences is next week with spring break the following week.

ISAT testing starts in April when we get back from spring break with the make-up testing in May.

Public Comments – none

Board Comments

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher expressed his thanks to the community to help support the school by passing the levy and a thank you to the employees as well for their continued support of the school.

Chairman Martin noted the Culdesac school levy is the smallest in this area. The employees are doing a fine job in keeping this building in good shape and stepping up to help each other when needed. The Goals meeting with students and staff went well.

Trustee Eric Steigers enjoyed the presentation from the students at the meeting who represented themselves well.

CONSENT AGENDA (Agenda/Minutes/Finance Report/Current Bills/Employee Leave Report Approval)
Superintendent reported that no changes were needed to the agenda.

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

ACTION ITEMS AGENDA

Unfinished Business

Second Reading Policy 304.10- Federal Cash Management

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve Policy 304.10 for the second reading. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Second Reading Policy 304.11 – Federal Program Income

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve Policy 304.11 for the second reading. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

Second Reading Policy 304.12 – Federal Debarment and Suspension

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve Policy 304.12 for the second reading. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

New Business

Approve Budget Hearing – Wednesday, June 8, 2022 (7:45 p.m.)/School Library

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the budget hearing for June 8, 2022 in the school library at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

Review Neighboring Property Owner Land Exchange with City of Culdesac

Superintendent noted this is a request for neighbors to give their input on the land exchange as this property is beside the schools lower property. Landowner is Karen Duncan who is interested in trading a strip of property with the City that has been vacated.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher approved the land property exchange for the neighbor with the city as requested. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Proposed 2022-2023 School Calendar

Superintendent noted the difference that one student Friday a month will be added to the calendar. That first Friday of each month, all staff attend that day as well. The rest of the calendar is similar to past years. This will add an additional 10 days to the student calendar for attendance.

The Board Goals meeting received several requests for more additional elective class options for student enrichment to include Home Economics, Drama club and Art in the secondary with elementary using those days for remediation and/or enrichment depending on student needs.

The bus will run those 10 additional days and attendance will be taken. These days are counted in the existing staff day calendar for regular workdays.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the 2022-2023 School Calendar as presented. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Motion passed.

First Reading of Proposed Policy 303.1 - Revenues
Superintendent reviewed the proposed policy for the Board.

Board agreed to the first reading of Policy 303.1.

First Reading of Proposed Policy 303.2 – Investment of Funds
Superintendent noted that the State LGIP is designated for school investments with good interest rates.

Board agreed to the first reading of Policy 303.2.

First Reading of Policy Revision 112.2 – Taking Office
Superintendent noted the additional clarification for the revision.

Board agreed to the first reading of the policy revision.

Open Enrollment Requests for 2022-2023

Superintendent informed the Board that these students were requesting dual enrollment to earn advanced opportunity college credit with the school through IDLA classes.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to approve the three open enrollment requests for 2022-2023. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION as per IC #74-206 1(b) for Personnel

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to enter executive session as IC 74-206 1 (b) for personnel. Seconded by Trustee Mitchell Reid/Board Poll: Yes, Yes, Yes and Yes/Affirmative response.

INTO Executive session: 7:50 PM

Clerk excused from session.

Personnel – Staff considerations discussed.

OUT of Executive session: 8:05 PM

Chairman reported that no decisions were made in executive session.

Superintendent records minutes

OPEN SESSION

Personnel – Staff Considerations

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher moved to accept the custodian resignation of Andy Appel. Seconded by Trustee Eric Steigers/Motion passed.

Adjourned: 8:15 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk