



**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
RIMROCK LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. by Chairman Scott McNeley. Chairman McNeley welcomed patrons and led the pledge.

Board members present were:

Scott McNeley	Chairman
Allen Merrick	Vice Chairman
Steve Boren	Trustee
Gary Jones	Trustee
Raelynn Schkade	Trustee
Jeff Blaser	Superintendent
Jessica Johnson	Clerk
JayDene Aquiso	Treasurer

Clerk Johnson confirmed a quorum was present.

PUBLIC INPUT I - None

ACTION ITEMS I

A. Approve Agenda

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Merrick to approve the agenda, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

Vice Chairman Merrick abstained from discussion and voting on Action Items B and C.

B. Approve Merrick Diesel Solutions bill

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Jones to approve the Merrick Diesel Solutions bill, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

C. Approve Ashley Merrick's paycheck

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Jones to approve Ashley Merrick's paycheck, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.



Chairman McNeley gave control of the meeting to Vice Chairman Merrick and abstained from discussion and voting on Action Item D.

D. Approve Kelli McNeley's paycheck

Trustee Jones made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve Kellie McNeley's paycheck, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

Chairman McNeley resumed control of the meeting. Trustee Boren abstained from discussion and voting on Action Item E.

E. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve minutes of August 9, 2022 regular meeting
 - b. Approve Accounts Payable/Payroll
 - c. Approve Bruneau Elementary, ~~Grand View Elementary~~ (removed from consent agenda), and Rimrock Accounts
 - d. Approve Special Education Teacher-ABCTE SPECIAL ED. -Taylor Vaughn-Gordon
- Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve the consent agenda, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.**

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Senior Project Proposal Presentation - (Mr. Richard Introductions)

1. Aden Aquiso: Proposing to building a long jump pit which help save costs on fuel because team would not have to go to Mountain Home to use their track and would allow athletes who also participate in baseball or softball to not have to miss one practice over the other. Project entails laying concrete which is being purchased at a discounted price, and sand and wood for the pit which is being donated. C2 Construction has volunteered to donate time to help build the pit. Estimated time of completion is before basketball season, approximately mid-November. Mr. Richard added that the estimated cost for a quality pit to be installed is estimated to cost \$15,000 so the donated time, supplies, and discounts are significant.
2. Makenzie Magers: (presented by Ms. Julia Collopy, counselor) Proposing to paint parking lines in the student parking lot. This would allow for more parking and give the lot a cleaner look. Tools for preparation and painting of the lines will be donated for use. Approximate budget is \$400 which she plans to cover out of pocket but also do fundraising. Family and staff members will donate time to help with the project.
3. Dallyn Hipwell: (presented by Ms. Julia Collopy, counselor) Proposing to paint parking lines and handicap spots in the bullpen and staff parking lot. Estimated time of completion is end of November to begin of December as weather has to be good in order to paint. She will work with Makenzie Magers to combine resources so both can complete their projects.
4. (correction) ~~Cristal~~ Jimena Araujo: (presented by Ms. Julia Collopy, counselor) Proposing to redesign the school library to increase its use. She would like to design a



stress-free space for students. Project would involve reorganizing books, including dividing books into junior high and high school levels, adding new books, and removing old/outdated books; new chairs and tables for that have charging ports built in; painting an accent wall and adding wall decor. Project is budgeted for \$400. She has applied for a US Ecology grant and will also fundraise. Trustees asked how will it be determined what books removed and added. There is a plan in place

5. to consult with staff members and use a school library system that “weeds” out books.

B. Audit - Dan Coleman, Quest CPAs PLLC-2021-2022 (via Zoom)

1. Reviewed the audit report. Overall, the audit was good. The general fund has a seven month operating fund balance available. The recommendation is 1.5 months. The nutrition fund balance has usually ended in the negative (which is expected), requiring a transfer to cover losses but due to the federal funds received over the last couple of years, this year the fund balance has a carryover. With federal funds now stopped, this fund balance is expected to return to ending in the negative and requiring the loss to be covered like before.

C. Elementary Principal Report - Alex Meyers

1. Elementary Data: Overall in reading, the district average equals the state average (58%) for August but it needs to be noted that not all schools in the state have started so the state average will change. Kindergarten reading is at 52% proficient due the number of students who have participated in the preschool program. Overall in math, the state average is 52% and the district average is 50%. Over the last couple of years, there has been significant gain in the August average. It has risen from 35% to 50% over the last couple of years.
2. Elementary Enrollment: Reviewed historical enrollment numbers for BES and GVE (not including pre-school numbers).
3. Upcoming Events: Professional Development on 9/16 and picture days coming up for both schools.
4. Employee Recognition: Brian Orban, Bruneau Elementary 4/5 teacher

D. Secondary Principal Report - Tony Richard

1. Principal Goals: Goal #1 is to establish culture of expectations fosters personal strengths and accountability in respect to school to work readiness. Goal #2 is to implement a format to track student behavioral incidents and create a process for instructional staff to proactively engage students in making sound behavioral choices. Goal #3 is to work with teachers to help prepare students to have the necessary math skill essential to be prepared for work/school after graduation.
2. Rimrock Data: Reviewed IXL snapshot data. This is from only one data point so there were large percentages of students grade 6-10 scoring below grade level in math and ELA.
3. Building Rules:
 - i. Addressed the enforcing of the dress code of no torn clothing and the rule of no food in the classrooms. Trustees stated the feedback they were receiving about no food is that snacks were not allowed at all. Snacks are permitted but not within



- the classroom. Students can keep snacks in their lockers and have them during passing times and breakfast/lunch. Clarification of this food rule will be sent out.
- ii. Lunch time - is 20 minutes long enough? If lunch is lengthened, the school day would be lengthened to ensure that state's instructional/seat time requirement is met for the year. All classes, including WIN time, are counted as instructional time.
 - iii. CTE Grant awarded to Alan Schoen for \$64,200 for Ag Welding.
4. Behavior Intervention Update: Review behavioral incidents recorded to date. Seniors are on track and project proposals have been reviewed. 100% of seniors are set to apply for at least one college through Next Steps and Apply Idaho. Weekly grade checks are in place for all students with follow up for those with a D or F.
 5. Athletics Update: Reviewed upcoming games. September 16 football game against Camas County has been canceled due to the number of concussion injuries athletes are recovering from. Game is not a league game. Review current win-loss records for teams.
 6. Employee Recognition: Emily Waterlander, Rimrock Junior High Science/Social Studies.
- E. Superintendent Report - Jeff Blaser**
1. Policy Review: Presented a list of policies that are to be reviewed annually, and addressed the accessibility of district policies online and the organization of the policy webpage. Trustees would like the policies to be reviewed by the policy committee.
 2. Certified Staff (Recommendation to hire): Special education teacher at Rimrock (approved in consent agenda)
 3. 2021-22 Exit Interview data (Review)
 4. Grounds and Maintenance Report:
 - a) GVE new water source for irrigation has been completed.
 - b) Damage from woodshop water heater rupture is estimated to be \$2500 to repair.
 - c) Reviewed housing maintenance projects.
 - d) Weed spraying will take place when temperatures drop.
 - e) Train cars and fence repairs are still scheduled.
 5. Monthly Finance Report: Reviewed financials. Biggest note is interest rates are higher this year and the budget was created based on lower rates.
 - a) IT Report: battery backups may need to be replaced due to recent brown-outs of power. New printer for the front office to print checks. Issues with bell and paging system - systems are outdated and failing over time. A company has been contacted and repairs are expected to take place soon.
 6. Continuous Improvement Plan (Approval - Action Item II): Reviewed proposed plan.
 7. Superintendent Goals (Approval - Action Item II): Reviewed proposed goals for 2022-2023.

PUBLIC INPUT II

- Heather Burbank (via letter) - addressed the board in regards to amount of time for lunch and the dress code.



EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ACTION ITEMS II

- A. Possible action item(s) resulting from executive session - None (no executive session)
- B. Approve 2021-2022 Audit
Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve the 2021-2022 audit, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.
- C. Approve Senior Project Proposals
Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Schkade to approve senior project proposals received tonight, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.
- D. Continuous Improvement Plan 2022-23
Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Schkade to approve continuous improvement plan 2022-2023, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.
- E. Superintendent Goals 2022-23
Trustee Merrick made a motion with a second by Trustee Boren to approve superintendent goals for 2022-2023, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION - None

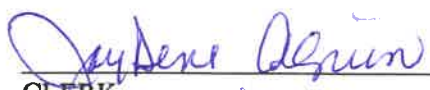
ADJOURN

Trustee Boren made a motion with a second by Trustee Schkade to adjourn, and a vote by the Board agreed. Motion passed.

All businesses of the Board having been completed, Chairman McNeley adjourned the meeting at 9:40 P.M.



CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEE
SEPTEMBER 13, 2022



CLERK
treasurer