**Clark County School District 161**

**School Board Meeting**

**September 11, 2017**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order** 6:33 p.m.

**Pledge**

**Roll Call** Orvin Jorgensen Jeannette Korrell Brett Murdock Laurie Small

**Attendance** Stephanie Eddins, Patron

Teresa Holden, Teacher

Hillary Wheeler, Patron/Teacher

Cedric Rowland, Student

Greg Egan, Teacher

Paula Gordon, Superintendent

Sherry Locascio, Board Clerk

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Mrs. Small and seconded by Ms. Korrell to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mrs. Small and seconded by Ms. Korrell to approve the minutes from August 14, 2017 and August 28, 2017 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Korrell and seconded by Mrs. Small to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Business Manager Report**

No report was available.

**Informational Items**

Mr. Jorgensen reminded the board members of the regional meeting on September 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Rigby, Idaho.

Ms. Korrell asked if the district was aware that High Plains Propane has a HVAC specialist on staff. She asked how the district decides which business to call for repairs/service. She felt it important to support local businesses.

**Board Training**

There was no board training.

**Delegations/Committee/Patron Input**

**a. Teacher Presentation:** Teresa Holden, First Grade Teacher, showed the board members samples of her lesson plans and the work that the first grade is currently doing. She told about plans for the year and goals. She stressed the importance of reading with the students and does this daily.

Mrs. Holden has also agreed to take over supervision of both libraries. She is implementing a reading program that will take the place of Accelerated Reader for the elementary students.

Mrs. Wheeler, Special Education Teacher, indicated there are more transitional students this year than in the past in the special education program. This involves students 16 and up. Of the fourteen students involved in the special education program, ten have their three year evaluations due this year. Since Mrs. Wheeler is not certified yet, she is unable to do the testing and will contract the testing through another agency.

**b. Superintendent Report:** Ms. Gordon informed the board that she had contacted the state with regards to the food service program. She talked with Linda Westfall who indicated the district could have a salad bar but had to serve packaged salad dressing. Someone would also have to monitor portion size. Also, there is a possibility that some type of breakfast program could be served and paid for by the state. Ms. Gordon told the board she is still doing research on these matters, and she will keep them informed.

The food service program also has a review scheduled on November 13, 2017. Ms. Gordon will work with Sue Price, Food Services Supervisor, to prepare for this.

Ms. Gordon also requested the board help in finding substitute drivers for the buses. She will draft a letter to community members letting them know of the need.

A district evacuation bus drill will be held on September 18, 2017. Ms. Gordon is meeting with the bus drivers monthly to ensure the paperwork in being done and keep communication open.

Title I testing is complete in the elementary school and eligibility letters will be sent to parents. Junior high and high school eligibility will be determined within the next week.

Ms. Gordon stated that the elementary had its first Power Hour today. This is an hour set aside for “clubs” for students to receive additional help in necessary areas or to pursue other interests.

Ms. Gordon has been meeting with each student in the district to help them set a goal. This has been well-received by the students.

Ms. Gordon told the board there is a possibility of having board training done through virtual board meetings. A former Gooding superintendent who is now a professor at Boise is willing to do this and will give help and advice to the board members. Ms. Gordon will check on funding for the program.

Ms. Gordon expressed concern that some teachers are bringing their dogs to school. The board discussed this and Ms. Gordon will check policy.

**New Business**

**a. Action Items**

**i. FFA National Convention:** Mr. Egan presented board members with an itinerary and breakdown on the costs and requirements for the upcoming FFA National Convention. The requirements were discussed and a contract will be signed by the students attending agreeing to the requirements. I f a student has registered and then cannot attend the convention, it was agreed that the student would be responsible for repaying the district for the money spent. According to district policy, students cannot have lower than a C- in any classes in order to be able to participate in an extracurricular activity.

A motion was made by Mr. Murdock and seconded by Mrs. Small to accept the itinerary and approve the trip to the FFA National Convention. Motion passed unanimously.

**ii. Hire Personnel:** No personnel were hired at this time.

**iii. Pay Bills:** Bills were presented and paid.

**iv. Purchases over $1,000:** A motion was made by Mr. Murdock and seconded by Mrs. Small to approve the following purchase orders in conjunction with the FFA National Convention: $1,566 for registration/Rascal Flatts Concert tickets/Cinch World’s Toughest Rodeo tickets and meals; $1,668 for the Courtyard by Marriott for four rooms; and $3,681 to United Airlines for air tickets for seven students and two chaperones. Motion passed unanimously.

**v. Summer Compensation:** This item was not discussed.

**Executive Session:** A motion was made by Mr. Jorgensen and seconded by Ms. Korrell to move into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. A roll call vote was taken with all voting aye.

**Topic Summary from Executive Session:** A motion was made by Mrs. Small and seconded by Ms. Korrell to accept the alternative plan for graduation as submitted by student. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Small and seconded by Mr. Murdock to adjourn.

**Adjourn**

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**Board Chairman Date**

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**Board Clerk Date**