

JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 171

**MINUTES**

MEETING: Regular  
DATE: December 14, 2015  
TIME: 7:00 PM  
SITE: Orofino Jr/Sr High School

MEMBERS PRESENT  
Jerry Nelsen, Vice Chair  
Amy Jared, Trustee  
Cindy O'Brien, Chairperson  
Charity Robinson, Trustee  
Danielle Hardy, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT  
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Robert Vian, Superintendent  
Janice Sutton, Clerk

A. Call to Order

Cindy O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

B. Roll Call

Janice Sutton, Clerk, called the roll of members: Amy Jared, Jerry Nelsen, Cindy O'Brien, Danielle Hardy and Charity Robinson were in attendance.

C. Flag Salute

Cindy O'Brien led the flag salute.

D. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Mr. Nelsen and seconded by Mrs. Jared. Ms. Hardy asked if the new boy's basketball position was added because of the number of players turning out. Superintendent Vian said that was the reason for the additional coaching position. Sixteen Freshmen turned out for basketball.

The motion carried.

E. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Payment of Bills
3. Financial Reports
4. Surplus
5. Resignations
6. New Hires (contingent upon drug test and background check)
  - a. Herb Lawler-Head Custodian OES (replacement J. Howard)
  - b. Bo Bonner-Assistant Boys Basketball Coach @ OJSHS (new-3 teams)

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mrs. Jared, seconded by Ms. Hardy and approved unanimously.

F. Reports and Recognitions

1. Recognitions

The Board did not make selections for employees of the month at this meeting.

2. Enrollment

District enrollment is up two students from November, 2015 and up 8 students from December, 2014.

Enrollment for the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy was not available at the time of this meeting.

3. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports this month.

4. Building Reports – A complete list of building reports was provided prior to the Board meeting.

a. OES

OES Principal, Shelley Brooks, gave the Board a report on Mastery Based Education. Report cards for Mastery Based Education will reflect what a student can actually do.

OES continues to promote the 5B's of PBIS (be responsible, be kind, be safe, be a problem solver and be your best)

A “buddy bench” will be installed on the playground site next spring.

Tama Naden thanked Barney's Harvest Foods for the donation of pumpkins for each student in her class. Mrs. Naden also said that she appreciates having a school nurse and counselor in the building. She thanked the Board and said she was proud to work for our District.

b. OJSHS

c. Timberline

Jason Hunter, TS Principal has been working on improving their website. He said it is looking better than it has in a long time.

Students at Timberline Schools participated in a live virtual field trip.

Eurkea Math training will be coming to Timberline Schools next spring.

d. IDYCA

IDYCA did not provide a building report this month.

5. Program Reports –Program reports were provided to the Board prior to the meeting.

- a. Special Education
- b. Technology
- c. Teacher Mentor
- d. Food Service
- e. Transportation
- f. Nurse

Amber Brumley, School Nurse for the District has been updating immunization records for students in the District. All Orofino Elementary students have either been vaccinated or have signed waivers. One OJSHS student who had not be vaccinated has received his immunizations. One Kindergartener at Timberline schools has not been vaccinated yet.

- g. Superintendent
- h. Budget Summary

A copy of the October budget summary was given to the board prior to the meeting via e-mail. There were no questions asked.

G. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

H. Old Business Discussion

1. Joki Lawsuit settlement

The Joki Lawsuit, a lawsuit against all Idaho school districts that charge students fees, has been dismissed for all Idaho school districts except the West Ada School District.

2. Skyward Presentation – Russ Miles, Technology Director

Mr. Miles gave a lengthy discussion Skyward.

Currently the District has three programs in use. The District uses 2M for the financial part, PowerSchool for educational part and Meal Time is used for the food service program.

For approximately \$1,000 more per year the District can purchase one program – Skyward – that will take care of all three areas.

Cost for training and integrating our current information into the new system for the Washington Skyward program was quoted at \$55,000.

Mr. Miles is working with Skyward to see if it would be possible to make 24 payments over a three year span to pay for the program and training.

3. Superintendent Search Committee

The Board asked to place this item on the agenda as a reminder to start thinking about Superintendent Vian’s replacement. Mr. Vian plans on working one more year before he retires. Ms. Hardy will research ISBA resources to “help formulate what the District is looking for”.

Chairman O’Brien said that Mr. Vian will be a “Tough Act to Follow”.

I. Action Items

1. Early Graduation Request – Alexia Hollibaugh

OJSHS Principal, Dan Hull, noted that Alexia is on track and will have completed all requirements necessary for early graduation.

A motion to approve the early graduation request for Alexia Hollibaugh was made by Mrs. Jared, seconded by Mr. Nelsen and approved unanimously.

2. First Reading Policy Changes

a. 4105 Public Participation in Board Meetings

Changes from ISBA – suggested new language as Idaho Codes have changed.

b. 4260 Public Records

State Wide – Superintendent shall designate – Draft of Minutes available at request.

c. 1260 Authorization of Signatures

This policy authorizes use of electronic signatures (from ISBA)

d. 3510 Administration of Medicines

1. Idaho Code
2. Attorney’s advice

e. 4300 Conduct on School Property

Verbiage added to this policy under item #4 states (Prohibitions stated in District policy states that no person, including a student, on school property) “Smoke or otherwise use of tobacco **products in any form or other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or vaporizer smoking devices;** (new verbiage in blue)

f. 3300 Student Discipline

Verbiage added to this policy include (in blue):

Disciplinary action may be taken against any student guilty of gross disobedience or misconduct, including but not limited to “Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling tobacco products **and other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems or vaporizer smoking devices...**

No motions were made on the first reading of these policies.

3. Second Reading Policy Changes

a. Policy 5100 Hiring

This policy came about through Superintendent Vian and the Policy Committee. The intent of this policy is to open vacancies in-district, for five days, in an attempt to fill the jobs internally before putting the vacancy announcement out to the public. This gives current staff more ability to move within. If a vacancy is filled internally then the opening left from that movement could be advertised publicly.

A motion to approve the second reading of Policy 5100 Hiring, with changes, was made by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Dr. Robinson and approved unanimously.

b. Policy 1510 Open Meetings

Policy 1510 Open Meeting Law Compliance and Cure is a new Idaho School Boards Association (ISBA) policy. Verbiage for this policy was provided by the ISBA.

A motion to approve the second reading of Policy 1510 Open Meetings as made by Mrs. Jared, seconded by Dr. Robinson and approved unanimously.

4. M & O Levy (New Request \$2,685,000 compared to current \$2,285,000. New tax rate would be approximately \$4.59. Current property tax rate on M & O is \$4.46)

Superintendent Vian noted that the District could successfully live on the current levy

amount, but that that amount would not be enough to finance new roofs for Orofino Jr/Sr High School or Timberline School.

The cost of a single membrane roof (same as what was put on the bus barn) is approximately \$375,000 per roof.

Superintendent Vian would like the Board to raise the levy by \$400,000 each year for two years and specify that the raise is for new roofs.

A motion to ask the patrons for \$2,685,000 on the March 8, 2016 ballot was made by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Mr. Nelsen and approved unanimously.

5. Declare need for an Alternative Licensure for a School Psychologist.

The last day for the District's current School Psychologist will be this Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. After that date the District will not have a School Psychologist. Past advertising as netted zero applicants.

Superintendent Vian feels that the school counselors or the Special Education Director could apply for Alternative Licensure. One of the counselors is not interested in the position and the other is currently taking classes. This leaves the Special Education Director, Kerrie Raines.

Ms. Hardy stated that Policy should be followed and any open positions must be advertised.

Dr. Raines has agreed to take classes and fill out the paperwork for alternative licensure for School Psychologist. She has contacted Travis Pulsor and Sharilyn Kelly to be mentors for her while is acting/working as the School Psychologist. Dr. Raines has also contacted the State Department of Education and has been admitted to the program. Classes do not begin until June.

Mrs. O'Brien stated the Dr. Raines is already employed at full time. She asked if this means that the District does not need a full time Special Ed Director.

Dr. Robinson says we need to follow the same procedures as previous licensures.

Superintendent Vian suggested that Dr. Raines would go to five days per week instead of the four days she is currently working and asked the Board to pay for her classes. He also suggesting taking away some of her current responsibilities to add on the new responsibilities and add an additional 54 days to her contract, making her a 260 day employee.

A motion to declare the need for licensure for a School Psychologist was made by Mrs. Jared, seconded by Mr. Nelsen and approved unanimously.

Mrs. O'Brien is interested in helping with the advertising and interview processes for the School Psychologist vacancy.

J. Board Comments

Dan Hull, OJSHS Principal, told the Board and Patrons that Senior Projects would be given on January 13<sup>th</sup>. He also invited the Board to attend a pancake feed on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

L. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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Board Chairperson

Attest:

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Clerk