

JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 171

MINUTES

MEETING: Regular

DATE: March 20, 2017

TIME: 7:00 PM

SITE: Idaho Youth Challenge Academy

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cindy O'Brien, Chairperson  
Amy Jared, Trustee  
Jerry Nelsen, Vice-Chairperson  
Danielle Hardy, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charity Robinson

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Robert Vian, Superintendent  
Janice Sutton, Clerk

A. Call to Order

Cindy O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

B. Roll Call

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

C. Flag Salute

Cadets from the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy presented the flags. Cindy O'Brien led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Mr. Nelsen and approved unanimously.

E. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Payment of Bills
3. Financial Reports
4. Surplus
  - a. Sewing Machines
5. Resignations
  - a. Carol Hengen - SLP Aides OES (effective end of school year)
  - b. Lorraine Anderson- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at TES
  - c. Mike Schwartz – Head Wrestling Coach at OJSHS
6. New Hires (subject to fingerprints and drug test)

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

F. Reports & Recognitions

1. Recognitions

There were no new recognitions this month.

2. Enrollment

Some of the February attendance numbers were wrong. Current enrollment is down 8 students from February 7, 2017, and up 13 students from March, 2016. There are currently 113 students enrolled at the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy.

3. Committee Reports

a. Policy Review Committee

There will be one policy up for review later in the meeting (under action items).

Dan Hull, Principal at Orofino Jr/Sr High School submitted a copy of the 2017-18 District Calendar for review. He said it was a collaborative effort with 2 representatives from each building except for Peck and Cavendish.

4. Building Reports-Building Reports are given to the Board prior to the monthly meeting.

- a. OES
- b. OJSHS
- c. Timberline
- d. IDYCA

Howard "Bicker" Therien, Principal/Instructor at the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy has invited District staff to attend ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Training which will be held on June 19<sup>th</sup> and June 20<sup>th</sup>. Staff can choose which day they would like to attend. Training will run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM both days.

e. Cavendish

5. Program Reports-Program Reports are also given to the Board prior to the monthly meeting.

- a. Special Education
- b. Technology
- c. Teacher Mentor
- d. Food Service

Superintendent Vian noted that Alisha Griffith Hernandez and Carol Tighe both accompanied Carmen Griffith to Moscow for training. Alisha Griffith Hernandez was awarded a grant for Kettle Bells for use at the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy.

- e. Transportation
- f. Nurse
- g. Superintendent

Mr. Vian reported that he has signed a work order with Up the Creek Heating and Air Conditioning to install heating/air conditioning units in two classrooms at Orofino Jr/Sr High School. The cost for each unit, which will come out of Plant Facilities Funds, is approximately \$10,000 each. Each unit will be individually programmable and is equipped with locks. These commercial units will work down to 15 degrees. If the two "pilot" units work, Mr. Vian hopes to add two more units before the end of the current school year.

A new roof for the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy has been approved by the National Guard. The peaked roof will come at a cost of \$699,000.

- h. Business Manager/Financial

G. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

H. Old Business Discussion

1. State Graduation Requirements

The State has added a new requirement to the Graduation requirements. The State is now requiring students to pass a U.S. Citizenship test (federal civics test). Students must pass the test with a minimum score of 60%. The one hundred question multiple choice test can be taken as many times as necessary in order to receive a passing score.

2. Policy 2700 District Graduation Policy

Language was added to the District Graduation Policy 2700. Language was added to include the new graduation requirement of the US Citizenship Test (Civics Test).

This policy will be brought back to the April board meeting as the First Reading.

I. Action Items

- 1. Policy Review First Reading
  - a. Personal Leave

Current policy reflects that an employee who has been with the District for up to 10 years will receive 2 personal days. Employees who have been with the District over 10 years will receive 3 personal days. A CEA member asked that the policy be amended to clarify what constitutes 10 years. The current policy can be viewed as either 10 consecutive years or ten years total (ex: a person works for 4 years, goes elsewhere for 2 years and then returns, do they retain their 4 years or does their time start over).

Superintendent Vian and the Policy Review Committee added “consecutive” to the wording in the policy to help clarify the meaning.

Ms. Hardy asked Mr. Vian to visit with the CEA member who asked for clarification. She also asked to table the discussion until the next policy committee meeting.

Mr. Vian said that he would like to make the clarification at this meeting.

Mrs. O’Brien tabled the discussion until the April board meeting.

## 2. Emergency School Closure Hours

According to ID Code 33-512 the Board of Trustees has the power to reduce the number of hours of attendance. The Board can reduce the load to 979 hours.

A motion to approve the reduction of hours as required from 990 hours to 979 hours per ID Code 33-512 was made by Mrs. Jared, seconded by Ms. Hardy and approved unanimously.

## 3. Driver’s Education Class Fee Increase (recc. \$15 increase for 2017-18)

Superintendent Vian asked the Board to consider raising the cost of Driver’s Training. The cost would increase to \$150, a \$15 increase per student.

A motion to approve the Driver’s Education Fee increase was made by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Mrs. Jared and approved unanimously.

## 4. Right of Way at Timberline

Superintendent Vian contacted the District’s Attorney, Brett Walther, regarding the right of way at Timberline Schools. Attorney Brett Walther said the District is under no obligation to help Mr. Rippleman get onto his property.

Superintendent Vian recommended giving Mr. Rippleman notice that within six (6) months to one year the property will be gated and the easement to the property will end.

A motion to remove the current right of way by August 20, 2107 was made by Ms. Hardy, seconded by Mrs. Jared and approved unanimously.

5. Budget Amendment

Money from the levy held in March of 2016 was added as revenue for the 2016-17 school year. This money, which has been expended, will not be received until July, 2017, which is in a different budget year.

Superintendent Vian gave the Board a list of budget accounts that he could reduce in order to cover the \$400,000.

A motion to approve the Budget Amendment was made by Ms. Hardy and seconded by Mr. Nelsen. Discussion was held. The motion carried.

J. Board Member Comments

Ms. Hardy thanked Mr. Therien for hosting the March Board Meeting.

K. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 815 PM.

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Board Chairperson

Attest:

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Clerk