

West Jefferson School District #253
Terreton, Idaho 83450
Minutes of the February 23, 2016
Regular Board Meeting

TAB 1

BOARD MEMBERS: Ryan Ashcraft - Chairman
Willy Schmitt - Vice Chairman
Jimi Burtenshaw – Treasurer
Bruce Smith – Clerk
Burt Allen - Member

SUPERINTENDENT: Dwight Richins

BUSINESS MANAGER: Patti Bingham

5:30 P.M. Executive Session

- I. Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (a): To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need; and Idaho Code 74-206 (b): To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.

At 5:30 P.M. Mr. Willy Schmitt moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(a): To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need; and Idaho Code 74-206 (b): To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student. Mr. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Mr. Smith (AYE), Mr. Allen (AYE), Mrs. Burtenshaw (AYE), Mr. Schmitt (AYE), Mr. Ashcraft (AYE), All were in favor, motion passes.

I, Ryan Ashcraft, President of the West Jefferson School Board of Education, certify and swear that the purpose of the above Closed Executive Session was concerning Idaho Code 74-206 (a): To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need; and Idaho Code 74-206 (b): To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.

Ryan Ashcraft, *Chairman*

At 6:29 P.M. Mr. Ryan Ashcraft, Board Chairman, called a recess from executive session to begin Regular Board Meeting.

6:30 P.M. Regular Board Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

Additional people present for regular session:

Tanis Cherry, Larry Soderquist, Ellen White, and Camille Cureton

II. OPENING CEREMONIES

- a. Welcome to Visitors: Mr. Ryan Ashcraft
- b. Pledge-of-Allegiance: Mr. Willy Schmitt
- c. Prayer: Mr. Bruce Smith

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Bruce Smith made a motion to adopt the agenda. Motion is seconded by Mr. Willy Schmitt. All were in favor and the motion passes.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Board Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2016
- b. Special Board Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2016
- c. Approval of Bills
- d. Approval of Payroll
- e. Monthly Budget Reports
- f. Personnel Actions

Mr. Burt Allen made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Motion is seconded by Mr. Willy Schmitt. All were in favor and the motion passes.

V. REPORT/INFORMATION AGENDA

- a. Patron Input
 - i. Tanis Cherry
 1. Do we test our water for lead?
Ucon school drinking fountain tested positive for lead

2. What is the next step in getting a School Resource Office?
Is going to the County Commissioners next?
3. Miss Coleman and Mrs. Parker's classrooms need an electrical upgrade and air conditioning units.
4. Students may try to bypass blocked WIFI with VPN apps.
5. Is the Library's open door public access a safety concern?

b. Board Member Input

- i. Board asked Mr. Larry Soderquist to report on water status
 1. Water is fine
 2. Testing up to date
- ii. Day on the Hill with Legislatures
 1. Attending worth the time
 2. Impressed with Legislatures
 3. They took time to really listen
 4. They were receptive to our concerns
 - a. Discussed safety - everyone wants to do something
 - b. Discussed financing SROs for rural schools
 - c. Discussed pursuing concealed weapons carry
(Visited with a school that has concealed weapons carry)
 5. Legislatures pushing forward with STEM
 - a. Science, Technology, Engineering, Math
- iii. Board to look at incorporating STEM into our Strategic Plan
 1. Create student interest - be proactive
 - a. Robotics Program
 - b. Involve BYU-I
 - c. Involve INL
 - d. Check for grants
- iv. Parking Lot Safety Suggestions
 1. Design a flow pattern
 2. Recoat asphalt and mark parking
 3. Add signage
 4. SRO present in parking lot during lunch break and after school
- v. Exceptional Music Concert
 1. Kudos to Ms. Howard
 2. Drums and show choir outstanding performance
- vi. Acknowledge Basketball Programs
 1. Great coaching
 2. Players have heart
 3. Girls 1st at State
 4. Boys fighting for 1st in district and will be competing at State
- vii. Website Discussion
 1. Superintendent's Corner
 2. Board Member Bios
 3. Quote for the day

- c. Superintendent's Report
 - i. TimeClocks Plus
 - 1. Mrs. Bingham working on set up
 - 2. Training follow-up for program administrators
 - 3. Training/Introduction for staff
 - ii. In-service for Early Release Mondays
 - 1. February 29, 2016 – "Retirement Benefits" by Rudey Ballard
 - 2. Coming up – "Special Need Students" by Journeys
 - iii. STEM -Goal for increasing computer science
 - 1. Meeting with STEM committee this week to brainstorm
 - iv. Fuel Purchase
 - 1. Handout \$1.29 for a mixed blend
 - 2. Purchase approved
 - v. Proud of School and Community
 - 1. Exceptional involvement - Community, student body, band and cheerleaders
 - vi. Athletic Successes
 - 1. Girls Basketball - 1st place State Champions
 - 2. Boys Basketball – qualify for State, Mar. 3-5 at Boise
 - 3. Wrestlers - 11 qualify for State –Feb. 26-27 at Holt Arena
 - 4. Simplot Games - 6th place shot put - Elian Lemus

VI. PROPOSALS

- a. 2016-2017 District Calendar Discussion
 - i. Options 1 and 2
 - ii. Start on 9/17 and end on 5/26 or start 9/24 and end 6/2
 - iii. PTC on Thursdays teachers consider moving to Fridays
 - iv. Consider fewer Teacher work days
 - v. Parent issues with Early Release Mondays
- b. Revise Board policy 502.7 Alcohol, Tobacco, Illegal drugs
 - i. Add Vaping and Electronic Cigarettes

Mr. Willy Schmitt made a motion to moving revised Policy 502.7 Alcohol, Tobacco, and Illegal Drugs to a second reading. Motion is seconded by Mr. Bruce Smith. All were in favor and the motion passes

- ii. Post signs around facilities to educate public
- c. Revise Board Policy 400.3 Drug, Tobacco, and Alcohol Free Workplace
 - i. No Changes needed
- d. Summer Project Bid Process
 - i. Mr. Larry Soderquist presented a handout for summer plans
 - 1. Board requested adding

- a. Ag shop water heater
- b. Paint Ag shop walls

- e. Discussion of Scholarships – Teams raising money to scholarship seniors
 - i. Fundraising money should be used for the program
 - ii. If funds are not needed for the program, they shouldn't fundraise

- f. The New Drug Assembly - Pornography
 - i. \$3,900 for the program
 - ii. Two Assemblies - grades 6-8 and grades 9-12
 - iii. Parent night included
 - iv. Good response from Sugar who has participated

- g. Citizenship Test Required 2016-17
 - i. Students from grades 7-12 can take it
 - ii. Students must pass before graduating

- h. WIFI and computer Security
 - i. How tight do we want the internet?
 - ii. You Tube, Twitter, Facebook, Snap Chat, Instagram
 - iii. Start by shutting them down

VII. ACTION AGENDA

- a. Revise Policy 405.2 Keys to Buildings

Mr. Willy Schmitt made a motion to approve revised Policy 405.2 Keys to Buildings and include the addition of "Law enforcement officials may be issued a key." Motion is seconded by Mr. Burt Allen. All were in favor and the motion passes.

- b. Approve Emergency Closure on February 9th – power/water Out (Terreton only)

Mr. Burt Allen made a motion to approve the Emergency Closure on February 9, 2016, early release at 1:00 P.M., due to power outage and no water for Terreton Schools. (Hamer School was not affected and remained in session.) Motion is seconded by Mr. Willy Schmitt. All were in favor and the motion passes.

- c. Approve Stipend for Test Coordinator at Terreton Elementary
 - i. Research how other districts run their testing

Mr. Burt Allen made a motion to approve a Stipend for the K-8 Test Coordinator at Terreton Elementary. Motion is seconded by Mr. Bruce Smith. All were in favor and the motion passes.

d. Approve District Maintenance and remodel plan for Summer 2016

Mr. Bruce Smith made a motion to award the Summer Projects Bid to Byron Beck Builders, Inc. for \$409,400. Motion is seconded by Mrs. Jimi Burtenshaw. Roll call vote – Mr. Smith (AYE), Mr. Allen (NAY), Mrs. Burtenshaw (AYE), Mr. Schmitt (NAY), Mr. Ashcraft (NAY), and motion fails.

Discussion

- i. Remodeling cost per foot
- ii. Appreciate maintenance staff – hate to put more on their plates
- iii. Concern for normal summer projects being set aside
- iv. Benefit of having someone come in and complete it as a unit
- v. Using our Maintenance staff could save 40%
- vi. Savings could be spent on other desks, furnishings or equipment
- vii. Savings could be used toward other projects

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At 9:40 Mr. Ryan Ashcraft, Board Chairman, called a short break and a return to Executive Session.

9:45 P.M. Executive Session

- II. Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (a): To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need; and Idaho Code 74-206 (b): To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student.

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Ryan Ashcraft, *Chairman*

At 10:15 P.M. Mr. Willy Schmitt made a motion to adjourn executive session and return to the Regular Board Meeting. Motion is seconded by Mr. Burt Allen. All were in favor and motion passes.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:15 P.M. Mr. Bruce Smith made a motion to adjourn. Motion is seconded by Mr. Willy Schmitt. All were in favor and the motion passes.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- February 26-27, 2016 – State Wrestling in Pocatello
- March 3-5, 2016 – State Boys Basketball in Boise
- March 9, 2016 – Ed Foundation Banquet Fundraiser at 6:00 P.M.
- March 17, 2016 – Next Regular Board Meeting at 7:30 P.M.
Executive Session at 6:30 P.M.

Clerk of the Board

Chairman of the Board

Date