

**West Jefferson School District #253
Terreton, Idaho 83450
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 16, 2018**

BOARD MEMBERS: Tanis Cherry – Chairman
 Willy Schmitt – Vice Chairman
 Bruce Smith – Clerk
 Burt Allen – Treasurer
 Nedra Perkins- Board Member

SUPERINTENDENT: Dwight Richins

BUSINESS MANAGER: Patti Bingham

5:00 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, (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 5:00 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. (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. Mrs. Nedra Perkins seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Schmitt (AYE), Mrs. Perkins (AYE), Mr. Smith (AYE), Mrs. Cherry (AYE). All in favor, motion passes.

- II. I, Tanis Cherry, Chairman 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. (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.

Tanis Cherry- Chairman

At 6:00 pm. Mrs. Nedra Perkins made motion to leave executive session and begin Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

**Regular Board Meeting
August 16, 2018 p.m.**

In attendance: Willy Schmitt, Tanis Cherry, Nedra Perkins, Bruce Smith, Dwight Richins, Mary Blackham, Larry Soderquist, Trevor Belnap, Emily Belnap, Peyson Calaway, Jeff Haroldsen, Jeremy Shaffer, Amanda Erickson, Shaun Grover, Dustin Ricks, Rochelle Ricks, Kaysha Scott, David McDonald, Elizabeth Moss, Jimi Burtenshaw, Kristie Scott, Andrew Scott, Peyton Scott

I. CALL TO ORDER- Tanis Cherry

II. OPENING CEREMONIES

- a. Welcome to Visitors: Tanis Cherry
- b. Pledge-of-Allegiance: Tanis Cherry
- c. Prayer: By Invitation: Mary Blackham

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Addition to Action Items. VIIe: 4 year Math requirement to graduate starting with the 2018-2019 Juniors.

Addition to Consent Agenda IV. Approve to remove Steve Riding, and add Teri Smith, as a signer on the Hamer checking account.

Mr. Bruce Smith made motion to adopt the agenda with additions added. Mr. Willy Schmitt seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

IV. CONSENT AGENDA TAB 3:

Nedra Perkins asked about the K-6 Professional Development cost of \$8444.30.

Mr. Willy Schmitt made motion to accept the Consent Agenda with addition added. Mrs. Nedra Perkins seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

V. REPORT/ INFORMATION AGENDA

- a. Patron Input- Moved to go with VIa.
- b. Board Member Input-
 - Bruce Smith has been in contact with the State Highway Department. They agree that a school zone sign would help with safety. The state dept. will look into putting up a flashing solar light sign. Mr. Smith told the board that anyone can call the State Police to request that they are out here patrolling at specific times.
 - Nedra Perkins is excited for the new school year.
 - Willy Schmitt told the board that the Hay Fund Raiser brought in \$21,185.95. It was a great success. There needs to be an itemized breakdown record of this money.

- Tanis Cherry told the board that Elementary Registration went very well. She thanked the maintenance and grounds crew for the hard work they put in this summer. The Home Ec room is amazing and the weight room is great.

c. Superintendent Report-

- Mr. Richins asked Larry Soderquist to update the board members on the summer projects. All the remodels look very nice. The PA System is not finished, but close. They are waiting for equipment to be delivered.
- Larry has looked at storage sheds, but isn't ready to present a proposal to the board.
- The District held a substitute orientation meeting. It was well attended.
- The District held a new teacher orientation meeting. Certified teachers, as mentors, were paired with the noncertified teachers. Mr. Richins feels that this will help improve the teaching.
- The District is very thankful for the generosity of the community on the Hay Fund Raiser.

VI. PROPOSALS/DISCUSSION TAB 4:

a. Monday night school activities discussion:

Mr. Trevor Belnap presented to the board signed petitions requesting that a district policy be made to end all school activities on Monday night by 6:00 pm. He read a letter from Ryan Ashcraft.

Mrs. Amanda Erickson addressed the board, in favor of the petition, with her thoughts as both a parent and the drama coach.

Kristie Scott addressed the board opposing the petition. Scheduling is difficult for other areas, such as the arts, and Monday night is, at times, needed to meet the needs.

Board members and patrons discussed pros and cons to this proposal.

Mrs. Cherry called a five-minute break.

Mrs. Cherry resumed the meeting. Mr. Richins apologized for his outburst. Mr.

Shaun Grover took responsibility for the letter mailed to the board members,

Superintendent and secretary. Mr. Schmitt explained that the board and Mr.

Richins are aware of, and try to accommodate the need for family time, by

scheduling as little as possible on Mondays and by not scheduling anything on

Sundays. Mrs. Perkins suggested that this topic be moved to a work meeting. Mr.

Smith agreed and wondered if they could look at better use of the facilities.

Mrs. Cherry tabled the topic to be moved to the next work meeting.

b. Arming Staff

The sheriff will have more information for Mr. Richins on Monday. This will be discussed at the next work meeting.

c. CPR

It takes 8 hours to certify in CPR and the classes are limited to 12 students. Board discussed possibility of holding a less intense training for teachers and staff.

d. Social Media Policy

There are some issues that the board needs to decide on. Mr. Richins will pull the state policy for the board to view.

e. Facilities

Mr. Richins has visited with Dr. Ron Bollinger and his partner, Mr. Bauscher about doing a complete facilities evaluation of the Hamer school. They have agreed, and are waiting for the approval from the board. Board discussion - No decision made.

f. Jr. High

The Terreton Jr. High state evaluation marked the school as needing improvement and the school is now labeled as under achieving. The State Department of Education will now provide 3 years of help for school improvement.

VII. ACTION AGENDA:

a. Supplemental Levy Resolution

This resolution allows the board to hold a Supplemental Levy asking for \$300,000 per year for 2 years. The money is ear marked for salaries and benefits. There will be no raise in taxes, just a continuation of what is presently in place.

Mr. Willy Schmitt made motion to approve holding a Supplemental Levy in the November 2018 election. Mr. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. All in favor- Passed

b. Transportation Plan

Mike Pincock presented, in the board packets, the transportation plan for the 2018-2019 school year. Mrs. Perkins asked if the smaller, handicap bus could be used for the Montevue PreK/K bus. There must be a special needs child riding the bus in order to use it.

Mrs. Nedra Perkins made motion to accept the Transportation Plan as presented. Mr. Willy Schmitt seconded the motion. All in favor – Passed

c. Utility vehicle

The high school is looking at purchasing a golf cart type vehicle to move equipment, band instruments, injured players, etc. around. Board discussion.

Mr. Willy Schmitt made motion to table the purchase of a utility vehicle at this time, and to discuss the topic at a work meeting. Mr. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. All in favor – Passed

d. Drug Testing Policy – 2nd Reading

Mr. Richins talked with the lawyers to see if the policy would hold up in court. Some changes need to be made. Board discussion. Some questions are still left unanswered. Board members asked Mr. Richins to have the lawyers help him

make necessary changes and have ready for the board to look at it again at a work meeting.

Mr. Willy Schmitt made motion to postpone approving the Drug Testing Policy and to work on it at the next work meeting. Mrs. Nedra Perkins seconded the motion. All in favor – Passed.

e. 4 Year Math Requirement

The Board had previously approved to require that graduating students must take math all 4 years of high school, but no motion was made to pass. Board asked questions of Mr. McDonald regarding the number of credits to graduate this change would make. It would raise the number of credits from 51 to 53. Mr. McDonald presented another possibility that would not change the number of credits. It would be to lower the number of elective credits required. Board discussion.

Mrs. Nedra Perkins made motion to drop the number of elective credits required to graduate by 2 and require students, beginning with 2018-2019 Juniors, to take a Math class all 4 years of high school. Mr. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. All in favor – Passed.

Work Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 8:30 am.

Mary needs to know who will be attending the ISBA Convention in November.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:05 pm. Mr. Bruce Smith made motion to adjourn the Regular board meeting. Mr. Willy Schmitt seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- District Inservice meeting Monday, August 20 at 8:30 am.
- Wednesday, August 22, 2018 First day school for students.
- ISBA Convention November 14-16, 2018 Boise

Clerk of the Board

Chairman of the Board

Date