

**West Jefferson School District #253
Terreton, Idaho 83450
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 8, 2017**

BOARD MEMBERS: Ryan Ashcraft – Chairman
Willy Schmitt – Vice Chairman
Bruce Smith – Clerk
Burt Allen – Treasurer
Tanis Cherry – Board Member

SUPERINTENDENT: Dwight Richins

BUSINESS MANAGER: Patti Bingham

6:00 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.

At 6:05 pm, Tanis Cherry 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.

Willy Schmitt seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Mr. Smith (AYE), Mr. Allen (AYE), Mrs. Cherry (AYE), Mr. Schmitt (AYE), Mr. Ashcraft (AYE), All 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.

Chairman

At 6: 30 P.M. Burt Allen made motion to adjourn executive session and begin Regular Board Meeting. Willy Schmitt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passes.

Budget Meeting 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Ryan Ashcraft, Willy Schmitt, Burt Allen, Bruce Smith, Tanis Cherry, Dwight Richins, Nedra Perkins, Patti Bingham, Mary Blackham

- I. Ryan Ashcraft called the Budget Hearing to order.
 - A. Revised Budget 2016-2017- Ryan thanked Patti Bingham for the excellent work that she does. Patti explained the actual money budget breakdown for the year 2016-17. On the web site there is a chart showing the budget from year 2008 on. The district is healthy and the board should consider improvements to make to spend some of the money.
 - B. Proposed Budget 2017-2018- Textbook purchase is built into the proposed budget. Mr. Richins told the board that a high priority is to improve the PA system in the schools, starting with Terretton Elementary. Bruce Smith would like to see the science lab improved. Board members asked various questions. Mr. Richins and Patti answered the questions.
Budget hearing closed at 7:28 pm

Regular School Board Meeting June 8, 2017

In attendance: Ryan Ashcraft, Willy Schmitt, Burt Allen, Bruce Smith, Tanis Cherry, Dwight Richins, Nedra Perkins, Patti Bingham, Mary Blackham, Kristi Scott, Valerie Young, Larry Soderquist, Ian Ashcraft, Cosette Ashcraft, Eliza Ashcraft, David McDonald, Ellen White

- I. CALL TO ORDER- Ryan Ashcraft
- II. OPENING CEREMONIES
 - a. Welcome to Visitors: Ryan Ashcraft
 - b. Pledge-of-Allegiance: Tanis Cherry
 - c. Prayer: By Invitation: Ryan Ashcraft
Mr. Richins thanked Ryan Ashcraft and presented him with thank you gifts from the school district. This is Ryan's last meeting on the board. He will be missed.
- III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Additions: None

Willy Schmitt made motion to adopt the agenda. Burt Allen seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Board Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2017
- b. Board Work Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2017
- c. Approval of Bills
- d. Approval of Payroll
- e. Monthly Budget Reports
- f. Personnel Actions: TAB 3

Tanis Cherry asked about the expenses to Disney World. Mr. Stembridge and two students went to Florida for the BPA Convention. Tanis reminded everyone that when they order from Amazon, to go through smiles.amazon to order. This supports the PTO.

Burt Allen made motion to adopt the consent agenda. Bruce Smith seconded the motion. All in favor - Passed

V. REPORT/INFORMATION

- a. Patron Input: None
- b. Board Member Input:
 - Burt Allen thanked Ryan for all the years he has spent on the school board.
 - Tanis Cherry liked the high school newsletter included in the packet. She reported that the bouncy house on field day was a hit. Tanis is worried that we aren't ready for the influx of people in August to watch the eclipse. What can be done to protect our buildings, parking lots, etc. School starts the next day, she wonders if the crowds will be gone. Mr. Richins will check with our resource officer to see if he will be out here on that day. Tanis has talked to different farmers about the hay fund raiser. The general feeling is that it needs better management. She would hate to see that money resource go away. Tanis also wondered about the signs for the bus parking area. They are in the works and will be up this summer.
 - Willy Schmitt thanked the administration. He is happy to see that emphasis on academics is happening.
 - Ryan thanked the board members and community. He said that it will be hard to leave.
- c. Superintendent's Report
 1. The classes of 2016 and 2017 have donated the excess money in their accounts to help pay for a handicap door at the high school.
 2. The district will be working on the policy revision this summer with ISBA.
 3. Larry Soderquist and staff is working on the plumbing in the sick room at Terreton Elementary.

4. The students on detention have worked hard. They dug out the trees against the elementary east wall.
5. Mr. Richins would like to have the parking lot painted with parking lines. Mr. McDonald has suggested having parking passes for the students.
6. Board asked Mr. Richins to put a big thank you to the 2016 and 2017 classes for their donation.
7. Mr. Richins thanked the board for their support over the last 4 years.

VI. PROPOSALS:

a. Storage Proposal

The district needs to acquire more secure storage space. If they get containers, where would they be put, and what size would best fit the district's needs? Ryan has talked with a company in Salt Lake.

b. Pre-school/Kindergarten bus

Mr. Richins asked Mike Pincock what it would take to bus the pre-school and kindergarten kids to and from school. Mike explained to him that it would take 3 different day routes and an aide for each bus. This could possibly put bus drivers into insurance coverage. Some of the costs could be reimbursed by the state. More research needs done on this subject.

c. Press Box

Mr. Richins held a meeting with Larry Soderquist and Doug Richey (father of student building the crow's nest). Doug is checking with his contractors and the county on regulations. Some community members are concerned that the nest will be torn down. Mr. Richins has explained to them that options are still being worked out, but that it can't be used the way it is. Larry has not received the official letter from the county stating regulations.

d. Summer Projects

Working on the remodeling of the classrooms. Upgrades are ongoing.

VII. Action Agenda: TAB 5

a. District Wellness Policy 2nd reading

Willy Schmitt made motion to move the approval of the Wellness Policy to the Action Agenda at the regular meeting in July to allow Lisa Ward to explain the policy. Tanis Cherry seconded. All in favor- Passed

b. ELA Curriculum for High School/Jr. High

Kristi Scott representing the Curriculum Committee told the board members about the English/Language Arts (ELA) textbook that they have recommended to purchase. Included in the purchase is 6 years of professional development training.

Burt Allen made motion to approve purchasing the My Perspective ELA textbook program for grades 6-12. Willy Schmitt seconded. All in favor- Passed

c. Electives and Graduation requirements for 2017-2018 school year.

Bruce Smith made motion to approve that the 2 electives taken from Social Studies remain as general electives. Tanis Cherry seconded. All in favor- Passed

Willy Schmitt made motion to adopt the weighted 5.0 scale for approved classes including Dual Enrollment, AP and Honors as currently established. Any others will need board approval. Burt Allen seconded. All in favor- Passed

d. 2016-2017 Revised Budget

Bruce Smith motioned to accept the 2016-2017 revised budget as presented. Burt Allen seconded. All in favor- Passed

e. 2017-2018 Proposed Budget

Burt Allen made motion to accept the 2017-2018 proposed budget as presented. Bruce Smith seconded. All in favor- Passed

There is Annual Board Training in Rigby on July 13, 2017. Need to know who will be attending. Those going are Willy Schmitt, Nedra Perkins and Tanis Cherry. Because of the training that day, the Regular Board Meeting will be held at 7:30 pm, with Executive Session at 7:00 pm.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:55 pm Bruce Smith made motion to adjourn. Tanis Cherry seconded. All in favor- Passed

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July 13, 2017 Region 6 annual ISAB Training meeting in Rigby
- July 13 Regular School Board Meeting- New reorganization 7:30 pm, Executive Session 7:00 pm

Clerk of the Board

Chairman of the Board

Date