

**West Jefferson School District #253**  
**Terreton, Idaho 83450**  
**Work Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 8, 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

**In attendance:** Willy Schmitt, Tanis Cherry, Nedra Perkins, Bruce Smith, Burt Allen, Dwight Richins, Larry Soderquist, David McDonald, Mary Blackham

CALL TO ORDER- Tanis Cherry

- Bruce Smith told the board that Hillsdale College has printed in their newsletter that the school system is a failure. Bruce disagrees with that. Nedra Perkins agreed with Bruce.
  - The marijuana legalization in surrounding states is becoming quite interesting. It has not helped the school situation.
1. Board discussed with Larry Soderquist and Mr. Richins at length the proposed list for maintenance and improvement for 2018. (See paper attached)
- The PA system is a big concern of the board. Bruce and Burt talked about an app for cell phones that sends out alerts. Larry suggested having an air-raid siren for warning. Jody Weekes and the Safety Committee is investigating options.
- Priority order is:
- 1) Volleyball nets
  - 2) PE Building- replace doors
  - 3) TE – replace door
  - 4) 38 Building- replace stair tread
  - 5) ALC – stucco and mow blocks
  - 6) TE Classroom- remodel 2 classrooms
  - 7) Home Ec Building- complete remodel
  - 8) Auditorium- replace roof
  - 9) HS- buzz in system
  - 10) PE Building- tile behind urinals

- 11) Remove dead trees at Terreton
  - 12) Wash basin in the boys bathroom
  - 13) High School drinking fountain
  - 14) Remove dead trees at Hamer – Bruce will ask Richard White if he would like to have them.
  - 15) Bleachers- Board suggested that the old bleachers be moved out and the bleachers by the baseball/softball field be moved in their place.
  - 16) Ag Shop – replace side door.
2. Teacher Evaluation Policy Revision 402.5  
Mr. Richins explained how teacher evaluations are done. Board discussion. The Administrators are to have a recommendation for the board at the February board meeting.
  3. Drug Testing  
Board questioned if the drug policy needs to be revised. If they choose to approve drug testing, it would need to be added to the policy. Mr. Richins recommended that drug testing be added for extra-curricular participants every 3-4 weeks in random order. If added, the drug testing would start in the 2018 -2019 school year. Mr. Richins told board of a training on drug use to be held in Sun Valley this Spring.
  4. PA Replacement  
Jody is looking at 3 different bids along with a bid for a refurbished system. The safety committee is taking this seriously. At present time, some of the classrooms do not have a way to talk to the office.
  5. School Safety Committee see #4
  6. Calendar Proposals  
2 options- a high percent of the teachers voted for option 2. Mr. Haroldsen would like to have returning to school on January 2 be changed. Tanis Cherry would like to have the elementary students attend school during the Harvest Break. Discussion on harvest break- the board would like to have a poll of the patrons taken to get a good feel on the thoughts of public about harvest break. Mr. Richins will poll the teachers and staff before next meeting and will check with Mike Pincock on possible busing issues. Board would also like to know how many students actually use Harvest Break to work in the fields.
  7. Comp time- table to next meeting
  8. Day on the Hill  
Need to know who will be going. Bruce- no, Tanis- not sure, Nedra- no, Willy- yes, Burt- not sure.

**Bruce Smith made motion to adjourn. Nedra Perkins seconded. All in favor- Passed**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Regular Board Meeting – January 18 Executive 5:00, Regular 6:30

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*Clerk of the Board*

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*Chairman of the Board*

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*Date*