

**Basin School District 72**  
**PO Box 227**  
**Idaho City, ID 83631**  
**July 21, 2015**  
**7:00 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order** – At 7:03 p.m. Chairman Gordon called the regular school board meeting to order. Superintendent John McFarlane and Clerk Cindy Hunter were present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Establish Quorum** – Present: Chairman Gordon, Trustee Kim Chmura, Trustee Theresa Pledge and Trustee Brent Adamson.
4. **Consent Agenda** – Chairman Gordon made a motion to amend the agenda by replacing item 7.d. Solar Power Presentation with Board Elections for the annual meeting. Trustee Chmura seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.
  - a. **Minutes** – There was a typo under section 5. Consent Agenda to correct the name Chumra to Chmura. The minutes stand approved as amended.
  - b. **Financial reports**
    1. **Clerk's Report** – Clerk Cindy Hunter answered questions concerning Technology funds from the State Department of Education explaining that the fund was budgeted too high and the revenue reflected on the financial report is the correct apportionment amount that the district should receive. Hunter discussed that the district auditor started the audit process on Thursday, July 16, and was on site for the day. The official audit numbers will be available soon.
5. **Supervisor's Reports**
  - a. **Maintenance** – Supervisor Jim Anderson was not in attendance. Superintendent McFarlane reported to the board the current events. The gymnasium floor annual refinishing had to be redone and it is now corrected. The dry sprinkler system issues should be taken care of by the end of August. Teacher Mike Holloway had planned to work for the maintenance department this summer but because of a personal injury will not be able to work. A temporary person has been hired to fill in.
  - b. **Transportation** – Supervisor Dowain Geesey was not in attendance. Superintendent McFarlane updated the board that Geesey is working with the State Department of Education regarding field trip mileage reimbursements.
  - c. **Food Services** – Supervisor Cyndi Watson was not in attendance.
6. **Administrators' Reports**
  - a. **Special Education** – Director Beth Woodruff was not in attendance.

- b. **Building Principals** – A discussion was held concerning the district test results from the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests. Superintendent McFarlane reported that the state performed better than what was projected. At the district level students performed higher than the state in most grade levels. Chairman Gordon asked what the board can do to help better the test scores. Superintendent McFarlane stated that intervention procedures will be in place to address the problems.

## 7. Old/New Business

- a. **Forest Funds** – No new updates.
  - b. **Strategic Planning** – The next strategic planning advisory committee meeting is planned in October and any changes and issues will be presented at the next board meeting.
  - c. **Idaho Core/ISAT Smarter Balanced** – The test results were discussed under item 6. Administrator's reports b. Building Principals.
  - d. **Board Elections** -The Board elections are required at the July annual meeting. Trustee Chmura made a motion to retain Chairman Gordon as Chairman, trustee Pledge as Vice Chairman, and trustee Adamson as Treasurer/Budget Specialist. Trustee Pledge seconded the motion, and all voted aye. Motion carried.
  - e. **Board Training** – A discussion was held concerning the board training held on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The consensus was that the training was beneficial, but they would have liked more in depth training on finances. Chairman Gordon will be contacting the trainer, Dr. Heather Williams, for additional resources.
  - f. **Board Evaluation** – The board discussed the process that they felt would be best for the board evaluations and it was decided that at the September 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting it would be an open format for employees to discuss issues. If they can not be in attendance they can submit their thoughts and issues anonymously in writing.
8. **Chairman's Update** – Chairman Gordon informed the board that the new executive session statute number when an executive session is on the agenda is 74-206 (1) with sub sections a through j. The board would like to meet the new hired teachers at the September 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Superintendent McFarlane will make the arrangements.
9. **Superintendent Update** – Superintendent McFarlane handed out a new policy review schedule to the board. The first reading will start at the August 18<sup>th</sup> board meeting. The district is excited to officially purchase the property located next to the football field on Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. The process to purchase the land began in 1999 taking a lot of time and effort and after sixteen years it is a successful

accomplishment. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be discussed and planned for the fall. Superintendent McFarlane discussed meeting with the Lifeways and Optum Idaho mental health services agencies to build a model program using our school district procedures as the pilot for other rural school districts. Superintendent McFarlane asked the board for approval to purchase Life Flight membership for district employees. Trustee Pledge made the motion to provide the Life Flight membership to the employees and Trustee Chmura seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried. Superintendent McFarlane is attending a class on master based education and is researching STEM (Science Technology Education and Mathematics) and Code.org a computer programming program for schools. Superintendent McFarlane will be taking his vacation starting in late September. A discussion was held concerning the Cans for Kids fundraiser. Roger Kuhse who started the fundraiser ten years ago would like someone or a group to take over the project. He has donated the trailer to the district and will continue picking up the cans at the different locations while a replacement is found. The district is looking for someone in the community that would be willing to take over. The donations have helped to pay for supplies, clothes, shoes, physicals, medical bills, technology and field trip for students. It has brought in an excess of \$20,000.00 over the last ten years and it has been a great resource for many needy students.

**10. Public Items** - No public items.

**11. Adjournment** - At 8:25 p.m. Trustee Chmura made motion to adjourn and Trustee Adamson seconded. Discussion was held and all voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Cindy Hunter, Clerk

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Ken Gordon, Chairman