

Basin School District 72
PO Box 227
Idaho City, ID 83631
November 17th, 2015
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order - At 7:10 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 Ken Gordon, Trustee Mary Jo Sexton, Trustee Theresa Pledge, Trustee Kim Chmura, and Trustee Brent Adamson.
4. Consent Agenda - Approved as presented.
 - a. Minutes - Approved as presented.
 - b. Financial reports
 1. Clerk's Report - Cindy Hunter reported that she and Kendra Lanham are working with the certified staff verifying their dates and credit information for the State Department of Education reports. She commented that Kendra has been a great asset to the district.
5. Supervisors' Reports
 - a. Maintenance - Supervisor Jim Anderson shared with the board that ice melt on concrete can cause freeze-cracking. He discussed that in the past if there was a heavy snow year, the district had to hire dump truck drivers to come in and remove the snow because there wasn't places to put it. It is expected to be a very wet winter, and the sump pumps at the school buildings have been updated.
 - b. Transportation – A discussion was held concerning the recent news media reports on the pros and cons of having seat belts installed in school buses.
 - c. Food Services - Supervisor Cyndi Watson discussed the recent health inspection saying that there were no violations. The inspector's recommendation is to replace the water damaged sheetrock, ceiling tiles, and shelves in the spring.
6. Administrators' Reports.
 - a. Special Education - Special Education Director Beth Woodruff discussed that she is in contact with the parents of the student whose wheelchair is broken and will continue her services after the repairs are made.
 - b. Building Principals' - There has been a lot of positive media coverage concerning the Idaho Center for Outdoor Education and the activities the students have been engaged in. The school district has been contracted by several interested agencies offering support on the project. Principal Jamie Pilkerton updated the board on last month's Elementary Parent Advisory Committee/Title 1 Parent meeting saying it went well and the parent participation was beneficial. The board and administrators gave recognition to the Food Service Department for the excellent job they do for the students.
7. Public Items - Old/New Business
 - a. Board Feedback - Chairman Gordon asked the administration and supervisors for constructive comments and asked the trustees to evaluate themselves. The consensus was that the trustees will work on getting to know the staff better by

spending more time at the schools. Positive comments included that the board collaborates well when solving problems, continues to educate themselves with the current state laws and are committed to ongoing trainings. A discussion was held concerning the monthly board minutes content. It was decided, if more detailed information is needed in the minutes, patrons, and staff members should notify the board. Staff members who weren't in attendance may submit in writing their board evaluation comments anonymously to Clerk Hunter

- b. Idaho Center for Outdoor Education - Trustee Chmura updated the board on the purchases made with the grant funds to include an eighteen hole disc course, life size archery targets and other projects at the site. The committee is currently working on two new grants. The recent media coverage has created possible projects and collaboration from a variety of interested organizations.
- c. Forest Funds - No new updates.
- d. Continuous Improvement - A discussion was held concerning the State Department of Education guidelines for a continuous improvement plan and the district's strategic plan. Superintendent McFarlane suggested that the district have two plans: one that is tailored for the state requirements and another that is the district's strategic plan. The board and the administration will discuss the issue further.
- e. Alternative Authorization Teacher Content Specialist – Trustee Chmura made a motion to accept the alternative authorization content specialist for high school teacher Tamara Ansotegui. Trustee Sexton seconded the motion, and all voted aye. Motion carried.
- f. Emergency Closure Day - Trustee Adamson made a motion to have October 27th, 2015 be an emergency closure day because of the power outage. Trustee Chmura seconded the motion, and all vote aye. Motion carried.
- g. Idaho Core/ISAT by Smarter Balanced – Parents received their children's scores last month. The district's scores were higher than the state averages.
- h. Policy Reading - Trustee Adamson made the motion to accept policies 710, 739, and 771 as the second reading, policy 524 as the first reading and policy 630 to be postponed to next month's meeting. Trustee Chmura seconded the motion, and all voted aye. Motion carried.

8. Chairman's Update – Chairman Gordon discussed the need to educate students on the significance of the state's weapon statutes and the district's policies. A discussion was held on the best way to inform the students. Suggestions included incorporating it in the student handbook and working with the School Resource Officer Jim Kaczmarek and Counselor Lynsey Bell to inform the student body of their responsibilities and the seriousness of the matter.

9. Superintendent Update – Superintendent McFarlane informed the board that he had a one hour debriefing concerning the November 3rd, 2015, student/firearm incident. The meeting included staff members, Officer Kaczmarek, Sheriff Ben Roeber, two Idaho State Police Troopers who were on scene at the time of the incident and the Dispatch Supervisor. Also, Nurse Practitioner Jim Moughamian is interested in coordination medical needs for students such as children wellness checks. A discussion was held on pursuing funding options for her services.

10. Public Item – No public items.

11. Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (b) To discuss a public school student- At 9:25 p.m. Trustee Sexton made a motion to go into Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (b) to discuss a public school student. Trustee Adamson seconded the motion all voted aye.

Motion carried.

12. Adjournment – At 10:00 p.m., Trustee Pledge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Adamson seconded the motion all voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Hunter, Clerk

Ken Gordon, Chairman