

Basin School District 72
PO Box 227
Idaho City, ID 83631
February 21, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** - At 7:04 p.m. Chairman Ken 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 Theresa Pledge, Trustee Brent Adamson, and Trustee Kim Chmura.
4. **Consent Agenda** - Chairman Gordon made a motion to amend the agenda by adding Title 11 - A under item 7. Old/New Business together with item g. Title 1 Allotment to list as Title 1 and Title 11-A Allotment. Trustee Pledge seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.
 - a. Minutes - Approved as presented.
 - b. Financial reports
 1. Clerk's report – Clerk Hunter reported that she has been working on the Federal Civil Rights report that is required to be completed every two years. She is responsible for all the financial questions.
5. **Supervisors' Reports**
 - a. **Maintenance** - Supervisor Jim Anderson discussed the issues that the winter weather has caused on our buildings and grounds. There has been damage to drywall and ceiling tiles from leaks in the roofs. Flooding is an issue at the Elementary computer lab and library. The maintenance crew is working hard on snow removal and flood control. The purchase of the new dump truck has been extremely helpful to remove snow on the grounds to the football field.
 - b. **Transportation** - Supervisor Russ Taylor reported that the new bus will be delivered on Thursday, February 23rd and the bus drivers will have a couple of hours of training on it. Taylor is currently looking for substitute bus drivers.
 - c. **Food Services** - Food Director Cyndi Watson discussed the many leaks in the kitchen roof and the dry storage room saying that Jim Anderson is working hard to fix the problems. On Monday, February 13th, the health inspector did the second inspection for this school year and everything is in good order.
6. **Administrators' Reports** -
 - a. **Special Education** - Special Education Director Beth Woodruff discussed the special education student count saying that there are two new students in the program. Woodruff reported that her staff, teachers, and all support staff are working hard daily with students.

- b. **Building Principals** - The elementary science fair is scheduled for Thursday, February 23rd throughout the school day starting at 11:00 a.m. Superintendent McFarlane will update the board on the progress of the Children's Community Wellness Center, after the committee meets next week. Principal Pilkerton is working with the State Department of Education on our district's teacher evaluations plan. A discussion was held on purchasing new curriculum at the elementary level for a comprehensive Reading and Language Arts program. Pilkerton will be working with her staff who will be considering different options that would work the best for the next school year.

7. Old/New Business

- a. **Idaho Center for Outdoor Education** - Trustee Chmura reported that the Honda and Hemingway grants have been submitted and the Honda grant notification will be by May 1st and the Hemingway grant notification will be by the end of the school year. The board expressed their gratitude to Trustee Chmura for her hard work to complete the grants. A discussion was held on the permit and conditional use permit requirements with both the Army Corps and Boise County Planning and Zoning. The paperwork requirements will be time consuming and how to handle the requirements was discussed. Trustee's Brent Adamson offered his expertise and time to help with the permits.
- b. **Forest Funds** - No new updates.
- c. **Continuous Improvement** - No new updates.
- d. **Idaho Core/ISAT by Smarter Balance** - No new updates.
- e. **Strategic Plan** - Superintendent McFarlane will e-mail Chairman Gordon on a date to schedule the next Strategic Planning Advisory Committee meeting. Trustee Pledge made a motion to approve the revised Idaho Center for Outdoor Education strategic plan overview. Chairman Gordon seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.
- f. **Emergency Closure Days** - Chairman Gordon made the motion to approve the two emergency closure days due to severe winter conditions. The two closure days were 1/19/2017 and 1/20/2017. Trustee Adamson seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.
- g. **Title 1 and Title 11-A Allotment** - Principal Pilkerton discussed the financial discrepancy for the Title 1 funds with the Idaho State Department of Education who advised her to e-mail the Federal division with her concerns. She was notified that the allotment amount cannot be challenged. Trustee Adamson has sent a letter to Vice President Pence voicing the district's concern on the reduction of funds. Trustee Adamson plans to send letters to the Idaho congressional delegation to pursue the problem.

8 . Chairman's Update - Trustee MaryEllen McMurtrie was not in attendance, but attended the Day on the Hill and will report back to the board at the March board meeting. Chairman Gordon made a motion to approve the district level approval path document. Trustee Adamson seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried. Superintendent McFarlane will send out the path document to the staff. Superintendent McFarlane will set up an informal meet and greet day for staff with the board during an upcoming inservice day.

9. Superintendent Update - Superintendent McFarlane will be presenting to the House and Senate Education Committees the benefits of early education and the successes of the preschool. Superintendent McFarlane shared his disappointment concerning the lack of support from the Idaho School Boards Association for the increase in classified personnel salaries saying that the increase in the formula has been delayed annually for several years. The amount of classified personnel needed to efficiently run the school district is high and the amount of funding to support the personnel is low which greatly impacts the general fund. There will be a blood drive at the high school with the Red Cross on Friday, February 24th. Superintendent McFarlane is participating in a weekly phone conference with Senator Thayn and other district 8 Superintendents at 7:30 a.m. on Thursdays.

10. Public Item - There were no public items.

11. Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (b) - Chairman Gordon moved to go to executive session. Trustee Chmura seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.

12. Adjournment - At 8:55 p.m. after returning to the regular session, Trustee Pledge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Gordon seconded the motion and all voted aye. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Cindy Hunter, Clerk

Ken Gordon, Chairman