

HIGHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT #305
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2010

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the library of the school at 7:04 p.m. Present were Trustees Weeks, Johnston, Widmier, Patterson, and Stigum. Also attending were Clerk Breen, Principal Gehring and Superintendent Garrick. Chairman Weeks presided at the meeting. The audience included Steve Wherry, Ed Pentzer, Alia Riggers, Debra Marker, Lynn and Dale Johnston, Holly Droegmiller, Erin Ralstin, Chris Cowan, Tim Kinzer, Shawn Tiegs, Carolyn Thomason, Dennis Burgess, Cole Gehring and Casey Stigum.

Trustee Johnston moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 8, along with the Special Meetings of March 16 and 29, 2010 along with the budget report, balance sheets, ASB accounts and that all current bills of this school district as presented: checks #26528-26598 totaling \$79,242.29. The motion was seconded by Trustee Widmier and passed with a five to zero vote.

Science Teacher Shawn Tiegs gave a presentation to the board on the Qwest Grant and the plans and ideas for the GPS units purchased.

Due to the lack of all board members voting on the Cooperative Sports Agreement with Nezperce at the last board meeting of March 29th, the issue was brought before the board for reconsideration by a request of Trustees Widmier and Patterson. After discussion, Trustee Patterson moved to continue with the Football Cooperative but dissolve the Baseball and Softball under the Coop. The motion died for lack of a second. Trustee Widmier made a motion to drop the Nezperce Coop completely and look for other options. Trustee Stigum seconded the motion and a vote was taken with Trustees Widmier and Stigum voting in favor and Trustees Patterson, Johnston and Weeks voting against. With a vote of two to three, the motion failed. Trustee Patterson made a motion to keep the Football Coop for two years and disband the Baseball and Softball Coop. Trustee Stigum seconded the motion and a vote was taken with Trustees Patterson and Stigum voting in favor and Trustees Johnston, Widmier and Weeks voting against. With a vote of two to three, the motion failed. After more discussion, Trustee Patterson made a motion to keep the Football Coop and disband the Baseball and Softball Coop. Trustee Widmier seconded the motion and a vote was taken. Trustees Patterson, Widmier and Weeks voted in favor and Trustees Johnston and Stigum voted against and the motion passed with a vote of three to two.

Trustee Stigum stated that due to the actions of the board that he is stepping down from serving on the Cooperative Committee. No Trustee replacement was named.

The first reading was held for policies #300.33 Professional Research and Publishing and policy #462.1 District Nutritional Standards.

Trustee Stigum moved to accept the new hire of Shawn Tiegs as Junior High Track Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Patterson and passed with a vote of five to zero.

Trustee Stigum moved to accept the resignation of Robert Maurer, PE/Health Teacher, Bette Stone as full time Library and English Teacher and Clair Garrick as Full Time Superintendent. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion which was passed with a vote of five to zero.

Trustee Stigum moved to begin the process as lined out in the law declaring a Financial Emergency for all school districts for the 2010-2011 school year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Widmier and passed with a vote of five to zero. Trustees Weeks and Johnston will meet with the HEA negotiations team on April 19th at 7:00 pm which is within the 6-14 day window.

Trustee Johnston moved to set the supplemental levy amount of \$309,000.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stigum and passed with a vote of five to zero.

Trustee Stigum moved that this Board of Trustees go into executive session to conduct deliberation concerning personnel and negotiations pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345. Trustee Johnston seconded the motion. The Chairman placed the motion before the Board after which a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed with Trustees Johnston, Patterson, Widmier, Stigum and Weeks voting in favor of the motion. Trustee Johnston moved to go out of executive session. Trustee Widmier seconded the motion and passed with a vote of five to zero.

Trustee Johnston moved to make changes in staffing with the overall result of \$118,997 expense savings for the 2010-2011 year: 1) reduce Superintendent to .48 FTE, 2) reduce Counselor to .28 FTE, 3) reduce Library to 1 day per week plus 1 English Class, 4) eliminate part time Elementary PE, 5) eliminate part time Janitor 6) reduce Special Education to .45 FTE plus stipend, 7) reduce FCS teacher to .28 FTE, 8) eliminate high school PE/Health position, 9) increase Music to full time, 10) increase Vo Ag to full time, 11) increase English to full time, 12) increase History to full time, 13) increase technology spending in the general fund due to loss of State Technology Fund. The motion was seconded by Trustee Widmier and passed with a five to zero vote.

Trustee Widmier moved that the meeting be adjourned. Trustee Stigum seconded the motion which was passed with a vote of five to zero. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Sue Breen
Clerk

Nathan Weeks
Board Chairman