HIGHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT #305 School Board Minutes Special Meeting November 30, 2011

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in special session in the IEN room of the school at 6:03 p.m. Present were Trustees Johnston, Patterson, Stigum, and Pentzer. Trustee Widmier was absent. Also attending was Clerk Weeks, Superintendent Orr and Principal Gehring. Chairman Johnston presided at the meeting. The audience included Athletic Director Loren Orr, Anjee Toothaker, and Bob Toothaker.

There were two proposed changes to the agenda. 2a. Discussion of Handbook – Extra Curricular, and 3a. Plant Facilities. Trustee Stigum moved that the board accept the proposed changes to the agenda. Trustee Pentzer seconded the motion which was passed.

A discussion was held on students having been required to sit out an activity when an infraction of the Activity Code had been committed before the activity had started or the student had yet to sign the Activity Code. Trustee Pentzer moved that the board address the Activity Code references in the Student Handbook at the next regular meeting. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion which was passed. Trustee Stigum moved that for those students who had potential violations of the Activity Code but had not yet started an activity for the year and/or signed the Activity Code be given amnesty. Trustee Pentzer seconded the motion which was passed.

The work session covered various topics. Superintendent Orr and board members discussed in general their vision for the school and things to work toward. Also, a discussion on what our budget would look like for next year was held including what to set the override levy. The salaries and benefits apportionment is set to be cut by 4% for next year and there is a desire to add back the FCS teacher position lost to budget constraints.

Trustee Pentzer moved that a preliminary budget be prepared for the next meeting in order that an amount can be considered for the next override levy election. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion which was passed.

Trustee Pentzer asked that items of future plant facility requests be considered, such as updating the Science room and replacing the cafeteria floor. No action taken.

Trustee Stigum moved that the meeting be adjourned. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion which was passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Clerk

Nathan Weeks

Board Chairman