

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
November 12, 2012

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the IEN room of the school at 7:00p.m. Present were Trustees Johnston, Stigum, and Pentzer. Trustees Patterson and Widmier arrived later in the meeting. Also attending were Clerk Weeks and Superintendent Orr. Chairman Johnston presided at the meeting. The audience included Josette Nebeker, Carolyn Thomason, Trixie Grimes, Steve Wherry, Mike Haight, Merrie Jo Haight, Merrie Rampy, Marcia Brammer, Holly Droegmiller, Nolan Stigum, Cody Killmar, LaLisa Thomason, Kayleen Canup, Jody Canup, and Loren Orr.

Two changes were proposed to the agenda.

- 4C. FFA Awards
- 5C. iPad Update

Trustee Pentzer moved and Trustee Stigum seconded to accept the change to the agenda. The items came up after the agenda was posted. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Pentzer moved and Trustee Stigum seconded that the consent agenda be approved as presented. This included certain current bills of this school district, be paid as presented: checks - #28236 - 28291 totaling \$171,134.93. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Patterson arrived to take her seat on the board at 7:02p.m.

Staff Members of the Month – Teresa Reid, Second Grade Teacher and Holly Droegmiller, Para-Professional, were recognized. Holly Droegmiller was presented with a certificate by Chairman Johnston. Teresa Reid was unable to attend.

Cody Killmar, Senior, began the presentation on how the FFA students did at the recent competition. Tanner Schwartz and Fallon Orr both placed third in their competitions. The group placed 5th overall out of the 12 schools in the region.

Trustee Widmier arrived to take her seat on the board at 7:07p.m.

Clerk Weeks discussed the progress of the planning for the science room update. Cabinets have been considered with a couple of vendors and the floor is to be measured. Science Teacher Merrie Rampy talked about the progress in the plan to dispose of the old chemicals. The chemicals should be gone next year.

Loren Orr presented a proposal to implement a season pass for winter sports. The pass would be a discount from paying the regular price. Trustee Patterson moved and Trustee Widmier seconded to approve the implementation of the season pass. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The status of the iPad project was discussed. The iPads are here and will be installed when the

Apple trainer arrives the first week of December. Clerk Weeks discussed the inadequacy of the wireless access points in the Elementary wing of the school. Since Proposition 3 failed, it is uncertain if the legislature will still support any form of 1:1 computing devices. An upgrade of the wireless access points was part of the law that was voted down. A bid had been received from Compunet to upgrade the wireless access points that was over \$30,000. First Step presented a bid to install Ubiquity access points for the entire school for \$4,900. Trustee Widmier moved and Trustee Patterson seconded to approve proceeding with the First Step bid. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

District patron Kayleen Canup read a statement regarding the basketball coach situation. The general tone was that everyone is tired of changing basketball coaches every year and that the boys liked last year's coach Lucas Peery. Other audience members offered their comments as well. Members of the Board offered their empathy and assurance that they are acting in the best interests of the students. No action taken.

A discussion was held about when to consider holding the levy election next year. With the failure of Proposition 3, the district, under current law will lose \$85,000. The statewide hit is around \$25 million. The mood was one of uncertainty but hopefully the legislature will positively address the situation.

Trustee Stigum moved and Trustee Widmier seconded to accept the resignations of the following:

- Assistant Football Coach – Luke Lowe
- Assistant Boys Basketball Coach – Josette Nebeker

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Widmier moved and Trustee Stigum seconded to approve the hire of Josette Nebeker as Technology Lead Teacher. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Widmier moved and Trustee Patterson seconded to approve the hire of Patty Weeks as Boy's Basketball Coach and Jesse Roehl as Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Due to the secondary music program scheduled for the December board meeting time, it was proposed to move the meeting for an earlier time. Trustee Pentzer moved and Trustee Stigum seconded to move the meeting to 5:30pm on December 10. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The administrative reports were reviewed and lightly discussed.

Trustee Patterson moved and Trustee Widmier seconded to enter into executive session as provided under Idaho Code Section 67-2345(b). A roll call vote was taken with all five board members present voting aye at 8:55pm. The general tenor of the executive session was discussion of personnel and student discipline issues.

Trustee Widmier moved that the board leave executive session and reconvene in regular session. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion which was passed at 9:33pm.

Chairman Johnston declared the meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.


Clerk


Board Chairman