

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
January 9, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the library of the school at 7:00pm. Present were Trustees Stigum, Haight, and Striebeck. Trustee Davis and Pentzer were absent. Also attending were Superintendent Baumberger and Clerk Weeks. The audience included Sarah Hatfield.

No changes were proposed to the agenda.

Trustee Haight moved that the consent agenda be approved. Trustee Striebeck seconded the motion. The consent agenda included certain current bills of this school district to be paid as presented: checks #30942 – 30979 totaling \$47,058.27. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Superintendent Baumberger discussed the progress with SafeSchools Training. He also said all but four of the staff have had the CPR training. Plans are in the works for the others to complete the CPR training.

Emergency closures were called for December 20, 2016 and January 9, 2017 due to blowing snow. There are enough hours in the calendar that no makeup days are required. Missing one more day would require changes in the calendar. Trustee Striebeck moved and Trustee Haight seconded to approve the two snow days. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The 2016 Edition of the Idaho Special Education Manual was presented to the board. Trustee Haight moved and Trustee Striebeck seconded to adopt the Manual as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Clerk Weeks discussed the status of the budget. Things are positive and the general fund balance will likely improve again this year. It still seems prudent to keep the Supplemental Levy at the same amount of \$499,000 for next year. The legislative outlook with regard to the Career Ladder is positive but the future is anything but certain and the district needs to be prepared for the next downturn. Trustee Striebeck moved and Trustee Haight seconded to set the Supplemental Levy amount at \$499,000 for the election to be held on March 14. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The topic of renewing the \$40,000 per year 5-year Plant Facility Levy was discussed. It was started in 2002 and the amount has not changed in the two times it was renewed. Raising the amount to \$50,000 per year was discussed to better prepare for future maintenance needs. Currently, there is a balance of \$59,000 in that fund. Trustee Haight moved and Trustee Striebeck seconded to set the amount at \$50,000 per year for a 5-year Plant Facility Levy with the election to be held on March 14. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The consensus was to have the Levy Information Meeting on February 13 at 6:30 before the regular board meeting.

Principal Hatfield talked about current happenings in the school. There are currently 163 Students, up slightly since last month. Except for two snow days, things have been going well.

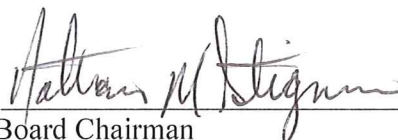
Superintendent Baumberger touched on several topics. Preparing for the Superintendent Evaluation for next month and updating the tool for next year was discussed.

Trustee Stigum and Superintendent Baumberger are planning to go to the Day of the Hill in February.

Chairman Stigum declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.



Clerk



Board Chairman