

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305  
School Board Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
February 7, 2022

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the Library of the school at 7:01pm. Present were Trustees Smith, Knowlton, and Mendenhall. Trustee Schoonover attended via Zoom. Also attending was Superintendent Gion and Clerk Weeks. The audience included Dennis Fredrickson. Trustee Smith presided at the meeting.

Trustee Schoonover moved that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Trustee Knowlton seconded the motion. The consent agenda included minutes of the last meeting and certain current bills of this school district to be paid as presented: checks #34046 – 34084 totaling \$88,523.82. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The matter of updating check signers on the Caped Credit Union Accounts was presented to the board. Mere Jo Haight has left the board and Chad Knowlton is no longer an officer on the board. Monica Smith is now Board Chair and Debi Schoonover is now Vice Chair. The change in check signers would remove Mere Jo Haight and Chad Knowlton and to add Monica Smith and Debi Schoonover. Other signers, Nathan Weeks, Shannan Randall, and Jacob Gion would remain. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Schoonover seconded to approve the updates to check signers. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The matter of appointing someone to fill the trustee vacancy in Zone 2 was considered. Andy Goeckner, from Zone 2, turned in a letter on interest and was the only applicant. He was not present but a phone call to his home confirmed that he was interested and is willing to serve. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to appoint Andy Goeckner to fill the trustee vacancy in Zone 2. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The New Hire of Kaliegh Poxleitner as Junior High Track Coach was presented to the board. Trustee Mendenhall moved and Trustee Knowlton seconded to approve the new hire. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Re-Hire of Becky Finnell as Assistant Junior High Volleyball Coach was presented to the board. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to approve the new hire. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Resignation of Lisa Hadley as Business Teacher as of the end of the school year was presented to the board. Trustee Knowlton moved “with deep regret” to accept the resignation. Trustee Mendenhall seconded the motion which was passed.

The Pandemic Operations Plan was discussed. No changes or action needed at this time.

The matter of entering into a softball co-op with Nezperce School District and Culdesac School District was discussed. It could be that only one of the schools eventually enters into a co-op with Highland but either way, a co-op will be ready to proceed. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Schoonover seconded to approve entering into a softball co-op. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Two projects related to the diesel boiler were discussed. One project would update the valves and the other would replace the diesel burner with a combination diesel/propane burner to give another fuel option. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to approve moving forward with the projects. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Principal Fredrickson handed out his report and touched on the following.

- The REFLEX Math Intervention/Enrichment program is helping students to show tremendous growth
- Student Club activities
- Salutatorians are Kalei Smith and Katie Goeckner
- Valedictorians are Chami Brammer, Payton Crow, Emily Dau, and Caristae Robinson, all with a 4.0 GPA
- The Attendance Committee has been working and there may be recommendations forthcoming

Superintendent Gion gave a verbal report on the following.

- The Legislature passed the Health Insurance bill which could give us more options
- Reviewed the out-of-district student report
- Review of Curriculum materials

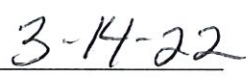
Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to enter into Executive Session under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) to consider the evaluation of a district employee. A roll call vote was held with all four members voting aye at 7:52pm. The tenor of the executive session was personnel. Trustee Mendenhall moved and Trustee Knowlton seconded to leave executive session. A vote was taken and the motion passed at 8:02pm.

Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Schoonover seconded to approve the Superintendent Evaluation. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Trustee Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

  
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 Board Chair

  
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 Clerk

  
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