

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305  
School Board Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
March 14, 2022

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 Smith and Mendenhall.

Clerk Weeks administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Trustee for Zone 2, Andy Goeckner.

Trustee Schoonover tendered her resignation, to be effective immediately, earlier in the day. Trustee Knowlton was absent. Also attending was Superintendent Gion and Clerk Weeks. There was no one in the audience. Trustee Smith presided at the meeting.

Trustee Mendenhall moved that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Trustee Goeckner 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 #34088 – 34091 and #34098 - 34140 totaling \$142,826.06. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

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

The matter of adopting the 2018 Special Education Manual was presented to the board. Trustee Mendenhall moved and Trustee Goeckner seconded to adopt the 2018 Special Education Manual. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The results of the Supplemental Levy and Plant Facility Levy election held on March 8 were reviewed. The overall passage rate was 74%. As the election is now conducted by the counties and the canvass is done by them, no action was needed or taken.

Superintendent Gion gave a verbal report on the following.


- Ken Thompson, Maintenance Coordinator, passed away on February 24. His memorial service was last Saturday and Superintendent Gion wanted to recognize and thank him for his contribution to the District.
- The recent Science Fair in Coeur d'Alene went well with several students receiving awards
- The Diesel Boiler continues to be expensive with updates in progress
- The proposal to allow school districts opt in to the State's health insurance plan has been passed. An analysis for Highland shows that it would cost at least \$36,000 for the district and all employees would have to contribute to premiums. The recommendation was to wait to see how it goes for the first year of the plan and take another look at it.
- Legislation for enrollment based funding, all day Kindergarten funding, and other proposed legislation was highlighted.
- The possibility of using telehealth for some speech services
- April agenda items that included English curriculum and the calendar for next year.

Trustee Mendenhall moved and Trustee Goeckner seconded to enter into Executive Session under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) to consider the evaluation of a district employee. The recent resignation of Trustee Schoonover reduced the board to four members. A roll call vote was held with all three members present voting aye at 7:19pm. The tenor of the executive session was personnel. Trustee Mendenhall moved and Trustee Goeckner seconded to leave executive session. A vote was taken and the motion passed at 7:31pm.

Trustee Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.

  
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Board Chair

  
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