

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
March 11, 2024

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the library of the school at 6:00pm. Present were Trustees Arnzen, Mendenhall, Smith, Knowlton, and Goeckner. Also attending was Superintendent Kellogg and Clerk Weeks. Becky Finnell and two others were in the audience.

Clerk Weeks administered the Oath of Office to Brett Arnzen, newly appointed at-large as Zone 1 Trustee.

Trustee Knowlton moved that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Trustee Mendenhall 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.

The Personnel Report included the Resignation of Bill McFall, Math Teacher at the end of the school year.

A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Superintendent Kellogg talked about attending ISBA's Day on the Hill event. She discussed the bills in the works and the process.

Ashley Wood and Kindle Thomason were on hand to discuss their senior projects. Ashley's project included painting of signs that included league schools with their mascot that will be hung in the gym. She plans to study art in college. Kindle's project was an exploration of graphic design. She presented a thoughtful possible makeover of the district's website. She now plans to study architecture in college.

A Second Reading of Policy 412.1 – Request to Attend Highland School by Non-Resident Students, was held. Discussion was held about the methodology of determining appropriate class sizes and those students that would be denied attendance. The policy will be on the April Agenda for another reading.

The Audit Engagement Letter from Quest CPAs for Fiscal Year 2024 and 2025 was presented to the board. Trustee Knowlton moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to approve continuing with Quest CPAs for the district audit. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Principal Finnell reviewed her written report.

- Senior Project Presentations
- Read Across America Week
- Student activities including Prom planning, State FFA and National BPA
- Reviewing Math Curriculum

Superintendent Kellogg gave a legislative update which included the many bills to discuss.

Trustee Arnzen 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. A roll call vote was held with all five members voting aye at 7:17pm. The tenor of the executive session was personnel. Trustee Arnzen moved and Trustee Mendenhall seconded to leave executive session. A vote was taken and the motion passed at 8:35pm.


Trustee Smith then declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.



Board Chair



Clerk



Date