

HIGHLAND JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #305
School Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
February 9, 2026

The Board of Trustees of Joint School District #305 met in regular session in the library of the school at 4:30pm. Present were Trustees Arnzen, Mendenhall, Smith, Stone, and Willson. Trustee Arnzen presided over the meeting. Also attending was Clerk Weeks and Superintendent Kellogg. Becky Finnell and Josette Nebeker were in the audience.

There was no Public Comment.

After some inquiries about finance, Trustee Willson 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 following.

Classified Hire

Dan Smith – JH Track Coach

Shandrie Stigum – Assistant Softball Coach

A vote was taken with Trustee Smith abstaining and the motion passed.

Under the Finance Topic, Clerk Weeks reviewed a handout regarding the status of the budget through the end of January.

The matter of setting the election for a 2-year Supplemental Levy for the 2026-2028 fiscal years was presented to the board. A discussion was held about importance of the levy and the detail for the ballot on how it is to be spent. Further discussion was held about explaining the impact of the levy over the next few months leading up to the election. Trustee Stone moved to set the Supplemental Levy amount at \$599,000 for two years at an election to be held on May 19, 2026. Trustee Mendenhall seconded the motion which was passed.

Principal Finnell reviewed her report that was in the packet. She also reviewed a poster showing progress on Shortened Interim Comprehensive Assessment (SICA) testing.

Superintendent Kellogg let her written report stand but did respond to an inquiry with further discussion about Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS). She also talked about Idaho Supreme Court ruling against the challenge to House Bill 93 tax credits for private schools. Construction of the new CTE building is planned to start the first week of March.

Trustee Arnzen then declared the meeting adjourned at 5:09pm.

Board Chair

Clerk

Date