

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**Council School District No. 13
Adams County, Idaho
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
March 12, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Grossen at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. Other board members present were DR Bledsoe, Michael Paradis, Melissa Roundtree, and Shawn Stanford. Also present were Superintendent Tim Jensen, Elementary Principal Vickie Green, AD Brian Joyce, District Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Lakey, Jenny Grooms, Janice Paradis, Mel Vining, Crissy Gipe, Sandy and Mark Mahon, Dawn Holmes, Rhonda and Justin Getusky, Valerie Armichardy, ChloeLucas, and Dale Fisk.

Chairman Grossen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

A quorum being present, it was moved by Melissa Roundtree to approve the current agenda; the minutes of the February 12, 2018, regular meeting; the February 15, 2018, special meeting; the March 7, 2018, special meeting; the bills; and the financial reports; as presented; seconded by Michael Paradis; motion carried.

Reports

Superintendent Jensen reported that the evaluation policies and the continuous improvement policy have been approved by the state and the district is now in full compliance. Mr. Jensen, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Copher, Mrs. Ivey, and Mrs. Lakey attended a presentation last week by Tyler Technologies. Tyler Technologies is the vendor through which the district purchases the current student information system, Schoolmaster. Tyler is no longer going to support Schoolmaster and is asking the district to switch to their new platform, Tyler SIS, at a greatly reduced rate. Mr. Jensen will bring a quote to the board at a later date, but is planning to move forward with the process of switching. Mr. Jensen reported on the items of assistance provided by the capacity builder, most of which was mentoring Mr. Jensen and helping to complete reporting components. He also helped set up the MAP reports for district use. Enrollment in the secondary is steady at 114-115. Spanish club students are currently in Costa Rica on a trip. Parent teacher conferences were two weeks ago with minimal attendance. Mr. Jensen would like to put in place some strategies to get more parents involved. The ISAT window opens in two weeks and testing will begin after spring break. Secondary MAPs testing finished last week and Mr. Jensen presented baseline information for grades 7-11, since this was the first test at the secondary.

Elementary Principal Vickie Green reported elementary enrollment is at 155 with a new student coming in this week. Attendance has been good despite a round of the stomach flu. Elementary ISAT and MAP testing will be in May and the IRI will start in April. An alternate ISAT assessment can be given to students who are not learning in the same way as other students as long as these students are not more than one percent of the student population. The elementary currently has 1.55% of students taking an alternate assessment, so a letter of explanation will be required. Teachers recently had training in MAP

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skills to better understand the testing data. The middle school academic quiz bowl will be coming up in New Meadows, and Bike Day and the science fair are happening later this spring. The ski day was successful and Parks and Recreation has donated 20 sets of cross country skis and boots. Parent teacher conferences were held and had a very good turnout. Last Thursday Mrs. Green attended a conference on special education law and also on a multi-tier system of support, which can be implemented for both academics and behavior. Teacher teams will be working on a plan for implementation and training.

AD Brian Joyce reported high school basketball seasons are finished and both teams received Long Pin Co-Champion awards. The boys were the district champions this year and won the consolation bracket at state. The senior all-star games are going on tonight. Both teams were well represented in all-conference selections. JC Tucker was the coach of the year. Junior high basketball teams are wrapping up their seasons and will have tournaments during the next two weeks. Track has started with 12 athletes participating and the first meet is next week. Junior high track will begin after spring break. The winter sports awards banquet is next Wednesday, March 21, at 6 p.m. Schedules for 2018-19 are almost completed. The athletic committee is waiting for snow to melt and the ground to dry prior to starting work on the track.

Mrs. Grooms and a student shared with the board information about the play recently put on by the seventh grade "Phaeton and the Sun Chariot". Mrs. Grooms also gave the board an update on the math program in the seventh grade and gave them a pacing guide for the class that is tied to the state standards. The class as a whole is a little behind, but she hopes to get through all the material before the end of the year. Mrs. Grooms showed statistics on response to intervention.

Mrs. Paradis presented curriculum and state standards for fourth and fifth grade math, which she teaches in the elementary. Students are on track to complete the curriculum by the end of the year. Mrs. Mahon helps with both these classes and Mrs. Paradis mentioned how valuable the help is. Skills grouping is used in math for both enrichment and remediation.

Unfinished Business

Supplemental Levy Committee Update. Crissy Gipe reported on the levy promotion committee. There are 4-6 members currently. An information Facebook page has been set up by Jaclyn Roberts, Kylee Hatfield will be printing fliers to put around town and Mel Vining has written both a letter to the editor and an informational article for the newspaper. The purposes for the funds will be much the same as last time. The board thanked the committee for their work.

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New Business

Curriculum. Staff continues to investigate choices for curriculum. Sixth grade through Algebra II are using Prentice Hall for math and staff will be meeting to coordinate efforts to make sure there are no gaps in curriculum.

School Counselor. Mr. Jensen discussed the need for a school counselor to assist students with emotional/social counseling. There is some state funding, although it is not enough to fund a full-time position. He feels this is a priority for the district and serious thought should be given as to how to provide the service. It was suggested that levy funds might be used for this purpose.

Alternative School. Mr. Jensen has been brain-storming with the secondary staff to come up with solutions for struggling learners. He asked the board to consider starting an alternative school. Staff members in the audience related some of their concerns for students who aren't thriving in a traditional setting. The need for an alternative school competes for funding with the need for an extra teacher due to increases in enrollment.

Elementary Test Data. Principal Vickie Green presented elementary MAP test data in math and reading.

Mark Mahon asked the board for some talking points to take with him to Washington, DC, so that he can carry district concerns and the need for forest funds. Mr. Jensen will provide some data.

Executive Session

Moved by Melissa Roundtree to go into executive session as per Idaho Code 74-206(a)(b)(j) for the purpose of discussing personnel and negotiations; seconded by Michael Paradis; motion carried at 7:43 p.m. by roll call vote as follows: Michael Paradis—yes; Shawn Stanford—yes; Bob Grossen—yes; Melissa Roundtree—yes; and DR Bledsoe—yes. Present in executive session were all board members, Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Green and Mrs. Lakey. The board discussed personnel and negotiations. Mr. Jensen and Mrs. Green left at 8:45 p.m. The board continued the discussion and returned to regular session at 9:14 p.m.

Moved by Melissa Roundtree to adjourn; seconded by DR Bledsoe; motion carried at 9:14 p.m.

Board Chairman

District Clerk-Treasurer