



West Ada

SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 10, 2021

Date, Place & Time	The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, West Ada School District, is scheduled for Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho. The board will convene at 6:00 p.m. The entire audio content of the meeting is posted on the West Ada website at www.westada.org
Trustees in Attendance	Trustees: Amy Johnson, Rene Ozuna, Ed Klopfenstein, Sheena Buffi, and Rusty Coffelt.
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Derek Bub, Bret Heller, Troy Stephens, Cheri Newbold, Char Jackson, Marcus Myers, Dave Moser, Dave Roberts, Geoff Stands, Jonathan Gillen, and Jason Warr
Guests	Sue Darden, Dr. Sam Petersen, Rebecca, Kimberly Trechette, Lauren, Gena Turner, Angie Hickman, Carm Schiller, Carlis Spencer Ranae Wilson, Tosker Deamicis, Liz Deamicis, Wendy Carpenter, Alysa Gallagher, Jimmiu Gonzalez, Brent and Carmela Morton, Samantha Hall, Jennifer Campos, Becky O'Neal, Chantel Bennett, Tracy Villalba, Carrie Fleming, Kris Ryan, Tanya Kutterer, Nicole Fish, Berry Buck, Teri Costa, Amy Meier, Chris Codey, Regan Codey, Caitlin Wcolf, Melanie Miller, Tonya Farris, Jen Hessny, Tanya Elder, Jill Combs, Jon Eisefelden, Laurie Norton, Cheryl Dunne, Shawna Labrin, Traci Hammerich, Terri Herrman, Krista Young, Ryan Coit, Dawnice Murry, Pamala Bcardslee, Nilda Vickers, Denise Berger, Ken Kolmox, Dareda Phillips, Dayna Syddall, Jennifer Pickard, Stephen Pickare, Jasmine Herman, Brittany Hammm, Kira Muguira, Pan Leaton, Cristie Carter, Kathryn Bailey, Janina Bearn, Gerry Lee, Steve Le, Erin Calisto, Tara Pichette, Meghan Saboori, Mat Steitzer, Whitney Steitzer, Anna Feccia, Brenda Barker, Stephanie Herrera, Daniel Herrera, Samuel Fortygin, Tony Feccia, Kim Mancini, and Kelli Fischer
CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE	Chairman Johnson
Spotlight	Summer School Debbie Aholt was the Administrator for the summer school Kindergarten Readiness program and K-5 intervention. Classes were offered virtually, recorded session and live sessions for students. The target students were those that could use the extra boost during the summer. The data will be given to the principals and used for the 21-22 school year. Many students had growth during the summer program. Kristen Haener was the Administrator for middle school summer school and had the students for six weeks. Many students showed improvement and growth during summer school. Middle school used the i-Ready program to find gaps and holes. The focus was on math and English.

Spotlight Cont.

Rachel Edwards was the Administrator for the high school summer school. A total of 805 students participated online. The flexibility allowed students to take up to 3 classes in the six-week period. Flexibility of time was helpful for students.

Centennial High School senior, Meenah Kohm-Dehring Sukasem, completed her senior project during summer school. School is very important to her. She was also enrolled in 3 classes at CWI. The flexibility of online summer school gave her an opportunity to take the 3 classes at CWI.

Athletic Director of the Year for 2020 and 2021

Jason Warr presented the Athletic Director of the Year to Troy Rice for 2020 and Beth Holt for the 2021 AD of the year.

Leadership Interns

Marcus Myers, Chief Academic Officer Academic, listed the following as the new leadership interns. The following were recognized: Wendy Palmerton, Dani Daw, RaNae Wilson, Lisa Dugan, Chantel Bennett, and Mathew Russo.

Consent Agenda

Trustee Klopfenstein made a motion, **Trustee Buffi** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the consent agenda.

[Payment of bills dated July 1-31, 2021](#)

[P-Card payment for June 1-30, 2021](#)

[Monthly Reports](#)

Minutes of the:

- a. [July 27, 2021, Special Board Meeting](#)
- b. [July 15, 2021, Special Board Meeting](#)
- c. [July 13, 2021, Regular Board Meeting](#)

Associated Student Body Reports

[Employment Recommendations](#)

[Leave Requests](#)

[Approve Administrators contracts for the 21-22 school year](#)

Alternative Authorization-Teacher to New

- a. [Holly Ames](#) Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- b. [Kristi Brown](#) to teach Earth Science
- c. [David Masucci](#) Assistant Principal at Centennial High School
- d. [Whitney Medley](#) to teach Math
- e. [Albert Rutayisire](#) to teach French
- f. [Shayne Seubert](#) to teach Earth Science
- g. [Savannah Slichter](#) to work as Extended Resource Room Teacher
- h. [Emily Varco](#) to teach mathematics-middle level

Alternative Authorization-Content Specialist

- a. [Renaud Boucher-Browning](#) to teach music
- b. [Monica Craig](#) to teach music

Consent cont.

Renewal Alternative Authorization as Teacher to New
a. [Stephanie Bradford](#) to teach ELD classes
b. [Ellen Harding](#) to teach Earth Science

Renewal Alternative Authorization-Content Specialist
a. [Angela Brousseau](#) to teach 2nd grade

[Recommendation to adjust Board meeting calendar](#)

Recommendation to approve [public utility easement](#) between Idaho Power and West Ada School District

[Recommendation to enter appraisal for Ustick Road real property purchase into the board records](#)

Approve [Development Agreement with City of Meridian](#) for future West Ada middle school site annexation

[Approve First Amendment to agreement for Easement](#)
(Easement approved by the Board On April 9, 2019)

Temporary [Construction Easement](#) between Joint School District #2 and Advanced Control Systems

[Disposal of Personal Property Notification](#)

Non-resident student enrollment request for the 2021-2022 school year

Discussion

[Revised Policy 504.40, Self-Transportation by Students](#) (third reading)
Geoff Stands
Geoff Stands, Regional Director, stated no changes had been made to the policy from the last board meeting.

[Revised Policy 604.00, Schools of Choice](#) (first reading) Bret Heller
Bret Heller, Deputy Superintendent, would like the board to revise this policy with only one reading. Mr. Heller indicated the only change in this policy is to change the year. This would allow students to enroll in VSH without losing their spot at their School of Choice.

[Revised Policy 602.20, Academic Freedom & Teaching Controversial Issues](#) (first reading)
Marcus Myers, Chief Academic Officer, revised the policy with the review committee. Mr. Myers explained the need for teachers to have the ability to teach all sides of an issue. Mr. Myers suggested some verbiage teachers may use to redirect a conversation in a classroom setting. He also outlined the process for teachers to collaborate with their principal, if needed. Mr. Myers will take feedback from the Trustees and review information at the next committee meeting.

[Revised Policy 403.8](#), Title IX-Nondiscrimination Policy (first reading)
Dave Roberts, Chief Human Resources Officer, revised the policy with the review committee. The policy revision is due to the change in Federal Regulations regarding Title IX. Mr. Roberts will take feedback from the Trustees to the next review committee for consideration. Mr. Roberts indicated the leadership team will participate in a two-day training on the Title IX regulations and all staff will be required to annually review a training video.

Action

Revised Policy 504.40, Self-Transportation by Students

Trustee Klopfenstein made a motion, **Vice Chairman Ozuna** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised policy 504.40.

Revised Policy 604.00, Schools of Choice

Trustee Buffi made a motion, **Trustee Coffelt** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised policy 604.00.

Executive Session

Trustee Buffi made a motion to enter Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student; **Trustee Klopfenstein** seconded. **Chairman Johnson** took roll call. **Trustee Buffi** Aye, **Vice Chairman Ozuna** Aye, **Trustee Coffelt** Aye, **Trustee Klopfenstein** Aye and **Chairman Johnson** was Aye.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:32 p.m.

Open Session

The Board returned to regular open session at 8:35 p.m.

Superintendent Update

Superintendent Bub outlined the West Ada School District guidance to return to school. Dr. Bub emphasized the flexibility we all need to have. The situation may change, and flexibility will be important in the upcoming school year. Dr. Bub discussed the coronavirus mitigation strategies in place at each of the buildings in the district. The authority was granted to Dr. Bub to implement masks without needing board approval. Dr. Bub outlined some options for parents which includes masked pods of students, alternating class start times, an in-person version of Virtual School House, and Virtual School House at home. West Ada wants to give parents a choice.

Work Session

Trustees and Administration participated in a discussion around ESSER Relief Funding. Superintendent Bub provided the trustees with an overview of the plan. The plan included a survey with input from patrons, parents, staff, and students. The survey includes ratings on Mathematic Achievement, English Language Arts Achievement, Social Emotional Support, Technology, and Community Engagement. Mathematics Achievement, Social Emotion Support, and English Language Arts Achievement were rated in the top of the ranking system. Marcus Myers, Chief Academic Officer, outlined how achievement is going to be measured and how often this will happen during the school year. Trustees asked if this information will follow the students next year. Mr. Myers indicated this will follow the student and give the teacher information that will help close any gaps in any area. Dr. Bub presented a student support system called Paper.co virtual tutoring program. This service will support students anytime. The 24-hour service will help students with questions via a chat process. Teachers, parents, and students will have access to this service for tutoring. Trustees also discussed the options of running an Emergency Levy and a Supplemental Levy. Mr. Gillen will present information during the next board meeting.

Entire outline of the information([State, Federal and Local Funding](#))

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Klopfenstein made a motion, **Trustee Coffelt** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk

