



# West Ada

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2016

Date, Place & Time	A special meeting of the Board of Trustees, West Ada School District, convened at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2016 at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho.
Trustees in Attendance	Chairman Tina Dean, Dr. Russell Joki, Dr. Julie Madsen, Carol Sayles, Mike Vuittonet
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Mary Ann Ranells, Joe Yochum, Trish Duncan, Troy Stephens
Guests	Linda Ventura, Paula Brockman, Angela Angell, Stephen Angell, Tanya Koyle, Sarah Holt, Kathleen Joki, Cory Johnson, Rob Lundgren, Mary Ollie, Luie Edwards, Stephanie Little, Richard Little, Shannon Halpin, Brittany Amos,
<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	Chairman Dean
<b>Spotlight</b> – Lowell Scott Middle School Farmers Insurance Grant for Outdoor Learning Space	Linda Ventura and Paula Brockman from Lowell Scott Middle School, reviewed the Farmers Insurance grant their school received for an outdoor learning space which will include space for an amphitheater, weather and alternative energy station and hydroponic fish farm.
<b>Consent Agenda</b>	<p>Trustee Sayles made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Vuittonet and passed unanimously. Approved items are as follow:</p> <p>Minutes of the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• December 7, 2015 special board meeting;</li><li>• December 15, 2015 special board meeting;</li></ul> <p>Employment recommendations;</p> <p>Requests for leave without pay for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dianne Fickes, teacher, eight (8) days;</li><li>• Nancy Grayson, teacher, one (1) day;</li><li>• Jennifer Knecht, paraprofessional, five (5) days;</li><li>• Tony Nelson, principal, five (5) days;</li><li>• Randall Repaci, teacher, twelve (12) days;</li><li>• Georgeanne Smith, teacher, one-half (½) day;</li></ul> <p>Request for professional leave for Cirstin Zimmermann, three (3) days to attend the National Association of School Psychologists Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana;</p>

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

Cash accounts activity reports for elementary and academy schools;

Revised Policy Code No. 300, *Superintendent of Schools*;

Revised Policy Code No. 403.10, *Use by Employees of School District Owned Vehicles*;

Revised Superintendent job description;

Recommendation to move the February 9, 2016 board meeting from the Meridian Middle School auditorium to the District 5 Service Center auditorium;

Recommended student expulsion.

**Action items**

**Revised Policy Code No. 603.20, High School Credits and Graduation**

Trustee Vuittonet made a motion to approve revisions to Policy Code No. 603.20, High School Credits and Graduation as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Madsen and passed unanimously.

**Star Water and Sewer District Extensions at Star Middle School**

Joe Yochum, assistant superintendent, reviewed the district's portion of the sewer and water extensions at the Star Middle School site. The original estimate was \$850,000 but bids came in at \$627,000 including the construction engineering fee. The remaining budget will be banked for any unexpected costs on the project. Trustee Madsen made a motion to authorize payment of \$627,106 to the Star Water and Sewer District for the district's portion of the sewer and water extensions at Star Middle School. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sayles and passed unanimously.

**Star Water and Sewer District temporary and permanent easement agreements at Star Middle School**

Mr. Yochum reviewed the permanent and temporary easements that give the water district a pressure reducing station and room around the station for construction. There will be no permanent landscaping required and the system is all underground. Trustee Vuittonet made a motion to approve and the motion was seconded by Trustee Madsen. Following discussion regarding differences between the temporary and permanent easement, Trustee Vuittonet amended the motion to state the approval of both easements as proposed. Trustee Madsen stated the second would stand and the vote was unanimous to approve.

**Personnel**

Dr. Ranells reviewed the work she and the executive team have done to examine the organization in terms of the needs of the district. Her recommendation to the board is to name Joe Yochum "Assistant Superintendent of Operations", and to name Jackie Thomason "Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning". Dave Roberts's title will change to Chief of Human Resources, and Alex Simpson's title will be Chief Financial Officer. New job descriptions and an organizational

chart will be provided to the board. Trustee Madsen made a motion to approve the organizational recommendations. Trustee Sayles seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to approve.

**Work Session**

Dr. Ranells and Elaine Eberharter-Maki provided training on board/district protocol, roles and responsibilities.

**Reports**

Trustees:

Chairman Dean reported on her attendance at the Rebound graduation ceremony and the professional/technical luncheon.

Trustee Sayles reported she had attended a boundary meeting to gather information.

Trustee Vuittonet reported on Chairman Dean's request for him to look into legislation on bond debt reduction that was talked about last year; his attendance at the screening of How to Succeed at Eagle High School and his conversation with Representative Daley on the flooring bill.

Trustee Joki reported on his school visits, boundary issues he has been hearing about and asked about a forum for parents to meet Mary Ann.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Joki moved, Trustee Sayles seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

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Chairman

Clerk