



# West Ada

SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 26, 2016

Date, Place & Time	A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, West Ada School District, convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday April 26, 2016 at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian Idaho.
Trustees in Attendance	Trustees: Chairman Tina Dean, Carol Sayles, Mike Vuittonet, Dr. Philip Neuhoff
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Mary Ann Ranells, Cheri Newbold, Jackie Thomason, Troy Stephens, Dave Roberts, Eric Exline, Devan DeLashmutt, David Moser
Guests	Sue Darden, Jill Wrem, , Rob Lungreen, Mary Ollie, Ronda Hanson, Stacey Knudsen, Ricky Clark, Tiffany Southern, Heather Brundage, Rene Ozuna, Brian Sporleder, Paul Fitzer
<b>CALL TO ORDER &amp; PLEDGE</b>	Chairman Dean
<b>Consent Agenda</b>	<p><b>Trustee Vuittonet</b> made a motion, to approve the consent agenda as presented. <b>Trustee Sayles</b> seconded, the motion, the vote passed unanimously to approve to consent agenda.</p> <p>Approved items are as follow:</p> <p>Minutes of the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• April 5, 2016 special board meeting</li><li>• April 12, 2016 regular board meeting</li></ul> <p>Employment recommendations</p> <p>Summary of Leave Request</p> <p>Request to participate in the “What about Mathematical Metacognition” study at Meridian Elementary</p> <p>Disposal of Surplus Equipment</p> <p>Request to use a West Ada bus to take FFA students to the Idaho FFA State CDE’s, at the University of Idaho in Moscow, June 6-10, 2016</p> <p>Request to alter/improve school properties at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meridian High School, proposal to install a storage shed to provide baseball equipment to be stored</li></ul>

- Rocky Mountain High School, proposal to begin construction on an indoor hitting facility for our baseball and softball program

Recommendation to approve an agreement between West Ada School District and Design West Architects for architectural services related to the construction of the New Pathways Middle School

Request from YMCA to place a portable at Ponderosa Elementary School

Award bids for:

- Reroof Joplin Elementary School, Bid #610301 to Modern Roofing in the amount of \$697,183
- Reroof Christine Donnell School of the Arts, Bid #610302 to Quality Tile Roofing in the amount of \$657,119

Approve bid for food service equipment for Victory Middle School

Recommendation to approve/reject bids for Star Middle School

## Discussion

### **Interview qualified candidates for vacant seat in Zone 5**

The board interviewed candidates as listed:

- Heather Brundage, a parent the district and data analyst for Merry Maids
- Stacey Knudsen, a parent in the district and co-president of the Rocky Mountain Ladies Lacrosse Board
- Brian Sporleder, a retired Idaho Department of Labor official
- Rene Ozuna, a parent in the district and an analytics consultant with Wells Fargo Insurance

Chairman Dean had four candidates in a panel-style, public format. Each candidate took turns answering the same question from trustees. Candidates responded to questions submitted by patrons. Candidates responded to the impact and contributions each would offer the District. Common Core, retention of teachers, assessments of students, and the different programs offered at West Ada were asked by trustees. Candidates responded in diverse ways. All four candidates responded to the importance of parent input and kids first.

Chairman Dean asked Trustees if they had received any other information such as references from any of the candidates if they would share with the rest of the trustees. Trustee Vuittonet reached out to only one reference listed on Mr. Sporleder application. The information was shared with the entire Board and public.

Trustee Vuittonet asked for more time to continue the process. All Trustees expressed the experience of all candidates and extensive background of candidates was impressive. All Trustees agreed any of the candidates would be great to work with. Trustees all agreed the decision would be hard and more time would not make the decision easier. Recommendation to move on to action items.

**Action**

**Approve or deny, to set a special board meeting to appoint a qualified candidate for Zone 5**

**Trustee Vuittonet** made a motion to hold a special meeting Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00p.m. Trustee Neuhoff asked if Trustee Sayles would be available. Trustee Sayles responded she would not be available. Trustee Vuittonet wanted to amend his motion and made a new motion to hold a special meeting on Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Dean asked Trustees the availability, Trustee Sayles responded she would not be available. Trustee Vuittonet felt no need to amend if Trustee Sayles is not available. Motion stands to hold a special meeting on Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00p.m. Motion failed for lack of a second. **Trustee Neuhoff** made a motion to hold a special meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. Trustee Sayles would not be available on May 9<sup>th</sup>. **Trustee Vuittonet** seconded, discussion on motion. Trustee Sayles motion would be to appoint tonight. Trustee Vuittonet wanted more time to review candidate's response to the questions. Chairman Dean called for vote on holding a special meeting Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> to appoint candidate. Vote was 2 in favor with Trustee Sayles and Chairman Dean opposed. Trustee Vuittonet expressed he was not ready to make decision tonight. **Trustee Vuittonet** made a motion to set a special meeting Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00p.m. Motion died lack of second. Lack of movement on Item # 1.

**Approve, deny or table the appointment of a qualified candidate to fill the vacant seat in Zone 5**

**Trustee Vuittonet** made a motion to appoint Mr. Sporleder to fill the vacant seat in Zone 5. Motion died lack of second. Trustee Neuhoff requested 15 minutes to review the applications. Trustees took the 15 minute break and reviewed. Chairman Dean began with the recap at 8:51p.m. with a motion on the floor to appoint Mr. Sporleder to fill vacancy. Motion failed lack of second. Chairman Dean opened the Board to other motions. **Trustee Sayles** made a motion to appoint Rene Ozuna to fill the vacant seat in Zone 5, **Trustee Neuhoff** seconded. Discussion, Trustee Vuittonet stated Mr. Sporleder is qualified candidate and would impact the board. Trustees all agreed the quality of all the candidates were exceptional. Chairman Dean took a vote. Trustees voted 3 in favor with Trustee Vuittonet abstaining from vote. Candidate Rene Ozuna was appointed to fill vacant seat in Zone 5.

**Board  
Reports/Assignments**

Trustee Vuittonet spoke about West Ada Foundation Gala event. Trustee Vuittonet was pleased to see all the community leaders supporting the event. This will lead to more contributions and support to the District. The students from Eagle Drama club did a great job.

Trustee Neuhoff attended the Leadership Administration Academy. The positive energy in the room was exciting. The self-reflection of leadership skills and challenges the District faces plays an important

part of the direction the District would like to follow. Great discussion on assessment and how that is related to education process.

Trustee Sayles attended the West Ada Foundation Gala event and was pleased with the success. I agree with everything Trustee Vuittonet said.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Ranells reported The Teacher of the Year event held this evening, for the Northern Region, was exemplary. Dr. Ranells thanked the committee and was excited to see the teachers honored for all their hard work and commitment to our students.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Vuittonet made a motion, Trustee Sayles seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 9:00p.m.

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Chairman

Clerk