



# JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2

1303 E. CENTRAL DRIVE  
MERIDIAN, IDAHO 83642

DR. LINDA CLARK  
SUPERINTENDENT

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2013

Date, Place & Time	The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Joint School District No. 2, convened on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 6:24 p.m., at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho
Trustees in Attendance	Chairman Vuittonet, Reid Olsen, Anne Ritter
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Linda Clark, Dr. Bruce Gestrin, Trish Duncan, Joe Yochum, Cindy Sisson, Sue Darden, Don Nesbitt, Joe Kelly,
Guests	Yadira Zuniga, Jacqueline Zuniga, Kristina Montgomery, Cheeto Walgamott, Brandon Johnson, Alexandra Keper, Estebun Cortes, Breana Hohe, Kelsey McLaughlin, Garrett, Swaggart

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Vuittonet

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Vuittonet took a roll call vote of the board at 6:25 p.m. to move to executive session to discuss personnel. Trustee Olsen voted yes, Trustee Ritter voted yes, and Trustee Vuittonet voted yes. Trustee Calinsky and Trustee Hand joined the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The board adjourned from executive session at 7:03 p.m. and reconvened in regular session.

Amended Agenda Approved	Trustee Hand moved, Trustee Ritter seconded and the vote was unanimous to amend the agenda with the addition of Item 17, request to approve change in high school schedules; and Item 18, schedule a special board meeting on May 1, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. for a discussion of the 2013-14 budget; and the addition of a request by Galileo STEM Academy to send three students to Team America Rocket Challenge in Great Meadow in the Plains, Virginia.
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### Consent Agenda

Trustee Hand requested corrections on the high school, middle school and transportation handbooks that will be modified following approval. Chairman Vuittonet requested an explanation on the number of non-responsive bidders for the paper bid, and Mr. Yochum explained most bidders were from out of state and bid on single items rather than the full bid. Following the discussion, Chairman Vuittonet called for a motion to approve the agenda. Trustee Ritter moved, Trustee Calinsky seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve the agenda as proposed. Approved items are as follow:

Payment of bills dated March 1-31, 2013;

Minutes of the March 19, 2013 regular board meeting and the April 2, 2013 special board meeting;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

Building student activity reports;

Requests for leave without pay for:

- Mark Andrews, custodian, seventeen (17) days;
- Joslyn Bernhardt, teacher, 2013-2014 school year;
- Bernice Cooper, bus driver, three and one-half (3½) days;
- Lisa Desilet, teacher, 2013-2014 school year;
- Jaime Durst, teacher, three (3) days;
- Darrel Garoutte, bus driver, one (1) day;
- Tonya Haustvelt, counselor, 2013-2013 school year;
- Laudan Kirk, teacher, forty-four (44) days;
- Karen Kolojejchick-Kotch, counselor, 2013-2014 school year;
- Vanessa Munn, nutrition, three (3) days;
- Terry Shepherd, bus driver, one (1) day;
- Jerrilene Smith, teacher, 2013-2013 school year;
- Jennifer Willis, teacher, 2013-2013 school year;

Requests for professional leave for:

- Melissa Bass, off contract, to attend the Pharmacy Technical Educators Council Conference in San Diego, California;
- Terry Beck, Scott Criner, Kimber Chrz, Deborah Hansen, Beverly Jarvis, Megan Robinson, two (2) days; and Donell McNeal, three (3) days to attend the Idaho State Prevention & Support Conference, Sun Valley, Idaho;
- Jack Blattner, Alan Heikkila, Liz Russell, Will Schumaker, Shane Stevenson, Patricia Stokes, Trent Van Leuven, Steve Wilder, five (5) days to attend the State Career Development Events in Moscow, Idaho;
- Amy Brown, off contract to attend the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute Summer Training Program in Coos Bay, Oregon;
- Dr. Linda Clark, two (2) days to attend the ASU Innovation Conference in Phoenix, Arizona;
- Dr. Linda Clark, three (3) days to attend Discovery Education's *The Future @ NOW* Conference in Silver Springs, Maryland;
- Marita Diffenbaugh and Kim Miller, off contract, to attend the International Society for Technology in Education Conference, San Antonio, Texas;
- Camille Hammond, off contract, to attend the Summer Institute on College Teaching in Williamsburg, Virginia;
- Phil Hartman, four (4) days to visit Central Washington University and the University of Washington in Ellensburg and Seattle, Washington;
- Bret Heller, three (3) days to attend the Leadership NOW Collaborative Summit in Las Vegas, Nevada;
- Laurie Hobbs, off contract to attend the 2013 AP Conference for Psychology in Bellevue, Washington;
- Don Howell and Jon Nettleton, off contract to attend the High School of Business Training in Providence, Rhode Island;
- Zach Ingersoll, Dane Roy and Jeremy Scheffel, two (2) days to attend the Nike Championship Basketball Clinic in Las Vegas, Nevada;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

- Tara Kispagh, Monica Kraack and Kelly Nellesen, off contract to attend the National Health Occupations Students of America Conference in Nashville, Tennessee;
- Stacie Knight, four (4) days to attend Teach Fest Presented by Learnzillion in San Francisco, California;
- Stacie Knight, four (4) days, Bob Rois, three (3) days to attend the 2013 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado;
- Shannon Loree, four (4) days to attend the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics Conference in Denver, Colorado;
- Scott Marema, three (3) days to attend the ASOP Casting and Bracing Conference in Phoenix, Arizona;
- Scott Marema, off contract to attend the 2013 National Athletic Training Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada;
- Will Schumaker and Shane Stevenson, three (3) days to attend the Imagine Tomorrow Science Fair in Pullman, Washington;
- Andrew Smith and Justin Touchstone, off contract to attend the Technology Student Association National Leadership Conference, Orlando, Florida;
- Molly Smith, one and one-half (1½) days to visit homeless programs in Spokane, Washington;
- Eric Taylor, off contract to attend the Montana State Athletic Trainers Association State Sports Medicine Symposium and visit two local high schools and two local universities in Missoula, Montana;
- Jason Tindal, five (5) days to attend the State Leadership Convention in Twin Falls, Idaho;
- Barbara Whitman, four (4) days to attend the International Reading Association Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas;

Non –resident student enrollment requests for the 2012-2013 school year;

REVISED job description for Staff Development Administrative Assistant/Training Facilities Assistant;

Request for two Rocky Mountain High School students to graduate one year early;

Revisions to the:

- 2013-2014 Elementary Student-Parent Handbook;
- 2013-2014 Middle School Student-Parent Handbook;
- 2013-2014 High School Student-Parent Handbook;
- 2013-2014 Transportation Department Policies and Procedures Handbook;

Recommendation to seek an Alternative Authorization – Teacher to New – from the Idaho State Board of Education for Tyler Bruns to teach healthy Living I/II at Renaissance High School;

Adoption of World Geography text at Renaissance High School;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

Improvements to district property at:

- Eliza Hart Spalding Elementary, purchase and installation of storage cabinets for tuition kindergarten classroom in the amount of \$565, funded through tuition kindergarten equipment budget;
- Hunter Elementary, purchase and installation of picnic tables and basketball hoops for the primary and intermediate playgrounds, funded through the PTA;
- Joplin Elementary, purchase and installation of four eight foot benches for the front of the building, funded through building plant facility monies;
- Lake Hazel Middle School, conversion of fields 1 and 2 to meet new specifications from Little League International; the cost (\$500) will be covered by Southwest Ada Little League;
- Lake Hazel Middle School, replacement of storage shed that houses equipment for Southwest Ada Little League; the cost of replacement will be covered by the League;
- Rocky Mountain High School, installation of a retractable U.S. flag and spotlight in the gymnasium for wrestling matches;
- Star Elementary, installation of a ten foot wide, quarter mile track, funded through a donation of \$27,000 from St. Luke's Hospital;

Use of the district's protective football equipment for summer camps under the direction of the head football coaches at Centennial, Eagle, Meridian, Mountain View and Rocky Mountain High Schools;

Request by the Centennial High School band to visit Central Washington University and University of Washington to receive instruction in all areas of performance and musicianship, as required by Policy Code No. 503.7, *Student Tours, Excursions and Overnight Trips*;

Request by Galileo STEM Academy to send three students to the Team America Rocket Challenge in Great Meadow in the Plains, Virginia, as required by Policy Code No. 503.7, *Student Tours, Excursions and Overnight Trips*;

Construction change order #1, Meridian High School central plant, additional work required to install new utilities in the amount of \$15,003;

Bids awarded for nutrition department to:

- Bread and bakery products to Franz in the amount of \$152,122.69;
- Paper goods to WCP Solutions in the amount of \$168,377.77;
- Acquisition, storage and site to site distribution of USDA commodity products, frozen/refrigerated products, and dry food products to Food services of America in the amount of \$1,827,572.64;
- Milk and dairy products to Dairy Fresh Farms in the amount of \$931,098.11;

Recommended student expulsion;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

High school scheduling for the 2013-14 school year:

- Alternative high schools to return to the 4 x 4 modified block schedule;
- High school teaching schedule of “6 of 8”, which provides a daily planning period for teachers.

**Discussion/Action**

Stepping Stones Pilot  
Adopted as the Core Math  
Program for K-2 at Willow  
Creek Elementary

Joe Kelly, STEM curriculum coordinator, requested the board’s approval for the use of “Stepping Stones” curriculum as the core math program for grades K-2 at Willow Creek Elementary. Mr. Kelly stated the curricula is the best product he has seen for the common core with imbedded remediation and built in professional development delivered on a digital platform in addition to the more traditional paper student journals. Trustee Ritter asked if the necessary technology will be available and Mr. Kelly indicated there will be an app available across all platforms which is under development by the company, with the Apple product set to be released this summer. Dr. Clark indicated the 21<sup>st</sup> Century class room will be expanded to Willow Creek and the technology will be available to support the program.

Trustee Ritter made a motion to approve the use of “Stepping Stones” curriculum as the core math program for grades K-2 at Willow Creek Elementary and the motion was seconded by Trustee Calinsky. Trustee Olsen called for discussion asking if this was to be a pilot at that school or an adoption for the entire school district. Trustee Ritter amended her motion to approve a pilot to use “Stepping Stones” curriculum as the core math program for grades K-2 at Willow Creek Elementary, Trustee Calinsky seconded the amended motion and it passed the board unanimously.

REVISED Policy Code No.  
403.56 Approved

Trustee Hand moved, Trustee Ritter seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve revisions to Policy Code No. 403.56, *Fingerprinting/Criminal Records Check* as presented.

Board Reports/Assignments

Trustee Ritter will be meeting with the ISBA Executive Board at the end of the week; and will attend the Governor’s Task Force public hearing on Thursday night.

Trustee Olsen commended the Meridian Technical Charter High School on their recruiting efforts this spring. The lottery has been completed and there is a good waiting list.

Trustee Hand commended the Meridian Medical Arts Charter High School for their recruiting efforts as well; the Meridian Education Foundation held their spring gala where grants were distributed to district teachers; and she thanked the district for the opportunity to attend the NSBA Annual Convention.

Chairman Vuittonet announced the Region III meeting will be rescheduled for a date in May as it conflicts with the public hearing for the Governor's task force.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Clark was honored to speak on a Discovery Education panel on the transition to digital classrooms and was part of the ASU Innovation Conference in Phoenix, Arizona; notification has been received regarding additional Race to the top funds and there is a good chance the consortium, of which the district is a member, will be receiving part of that money.

Trustee Ritter requested a change in time for the May 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting to accommodate trustee attendance at the Rocky Mountain High School Senior Awards event that evening. Trustee Ritter moved, Trustee Calinsky seconded and the vote was unanimous to change the meeting time to 3:30 p.m., prior to the Teacher of the Year event.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Olsen moved, Trustee Hand seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

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Chairman

Clerk