



JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2

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MERIDIAN, IDAHO 83642

DR. LINDA CLARK
SUPERINTENDENT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 16, 2011

Date, Place & Time	The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Joint School District No. 2, convened on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, 5:31 p.m., at Mountain View High School, 2000 S. Millennium Way, Meridian, Idaho
Trustees in Attendance	Chairman Mike Vuittonet, Janet Calinsky, Loraine Hand, Reid Olsen, Anne Ritter
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Linda Clark, Dr. Bruce Gestrin, Trish Duncan, Joe Yochum, Alex Simpson, Sue Darden, Jean Dean, Kendra Wisenbaker
Guests	George Coburn, Luke Franklin, Ellen Bates, Heidi Adams, Lawrence Rogien
CALL TO ORDER	Chairman Mike Vuittonet

REGULAR SESSION

Dr. Clark introduced Luke Franklin, the new Meridian Education Association president, to board members.

Consent Agenda

Trusted Hand moved, Trustee Ritter seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve the consent agenda with a correction to item 6, Caleb Matravers will be teaching at Meridian Academy, not Central Academy. Approved items are:

Payment of bills dated July 1-31, 2011;

Minutes of the:

- January 18, 2011 special board meeting;
- July 14, 2011 special board meeting;
- July 19, 2011 annual board meeting;

Employment recommendations;

Requests for leave without pay for:

- Jacqueline Bonn, counselor, one hundred two (102) days;
- Susan Campos, teacher, 2011-2012 school year;
- Michael Knutson, teacher, 2011-2012 school year;
- Joan Parks, teacher, 2011-2012 school year;
- Camille Soto, ERR assistant, 2011-2012 school year;
- Debra Summerlin, speech language pathologist, 2011-2012 school year;

Requests for professional leave for:

- Dr. Linda Clark, three (3) days, Superintendents Summit, Phoenix, Arizona;
- Dr. Linda Clark, three (3) days, National Superintendent's Conference, Houston, Texas;
- Jerry Reininger, two (2) days, Organization for Educational Technology and Curriculum Board Meeting, Portland, Oregon;

Consent Agenda – cont.

Non-resident student enrollment requests for the 2011-2012 school year;

Recommendation for Alternative Authorization – Teacher to New for:

- Angela Zuroveste to teach EL in Joint School District No. 2;
- Caleb Mattravers to teach English at Meridian Academy;
- Karla Morton to teach gifted/talented at Andrus Elementary;
- Krystal Burt to teach gifted/talented at Eagle Middle School;

Request from Mountain View High School to build a small press box for the soccer field; labor and materials provided by a parent at the school;

Recommendation to increase driver's education student fees to cover increased operating expenses such as fuel and auto lease. Fees will be \$220 per in-district student and \$230 per out-of-district student;

Memorandum of Understanding between Joint School District No. 2 and the Boise Police Department to provide SRO officers September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2013;

Letter of Agreement between Joint School District No. 2 and the Boise Police Department to provide SRO officers at school activities and school sponsored events for the 2011-2012 school year;

Recommended Professional Liability for Educators Provider Disclosure form and the Professional Liability for Educators Provider List as it appears on the Idaho School Boards Association web site (list content is updated by the ISBA);

2011-2012 traditional and modified calendar school bus routes;

Request from Evelyn Johnson to conduct a research project to develop a special education teacher evaluation system through a grant from the State Department of Education;

Award bid for fresh produce to the lowest responsible bidder, Grasmick Produce Company, Inc., in the amount of \$9,947.88 per week;

Award bid for:

- Concrete curb and gutter at Willow Creek Elementary to Sidewalks, LLC, in the amount of \$46,959;
- Asphalt paving at Willow Creek Elementary to C&A Paving in the amount of \$122,499.99;

Change Order No. 1, Eagle High School roof replacement, to Pro-Tech Roofing, Inc., in the amount of \$3,583.50;

Discussion / Action

Quarterly Financials

Alex Simpson, budget/finance director, provided an update of the fourth quarter financial statements for the 2010-11 school year.

School Nutrition End of Year Update

Joe Yochum reviewed the number of reimbursable and non-reimbursable meals served during the 2010-2011 school year explaining that a federal grant that provided breakfast at several schools was not available this year so the totals reflect less meals served than the year previously. The summer meal program was a success with a total of 39,978 breakfasts and lunches served in June, July and August. Mr. Yochum shared that the district has

received a grant from Walmart for \$45,000 to provide free breakfast to students at Title 1 schools for the coming school year.

Fourth Quarter Middle School
Grade Report

Joe Yochum shared the middle school grade update for the end of the school year with trustees. In addition to the grade update, Mr. Yochum the number of students from each middle school that met the 80% credit requirement in each grade level and trustees discussed the numbers and what conclusions could be drawn from the data. Trustees questioned Mr. Yochum on the number students who had failing grades in 7th grade Western Civilization and wondered if instruction is matching the end of course test. Curriculum will be asked to research the EOC test and bring information to the board at their September meeting.

Meridian Technical Charter
High School 12th Annual
Report

Chris Housel, Meridian Technical Charter High School principal, provided the 12th annual audit and report to trustees. Mr. Housel shared significant highlights from the previous school year that included serving 202 students; a graduating class of thirty one students, one national merit scholar, and 84% attending college in the fall. Research shows that 60-70% of students five years out are remaining in technical pathways, pursuing degrees based on the pathway they choose in high school. Projected enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year is 200 students. Mr. Housel shared their financial summary where staffing has been reduced by 14% over the last two year and spoke to the measures they had put in place to use their funding as conservatively as possible. These measures have led to a good financial situation for the school with a projection of \$320,000 in their fund balance. Trustee Olsen stated what a privilege it is to serve on their board and Chairman Vuittonet wished them continued success.

Trustee Olsen was excused from the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

North Star Charter School
Annual Report and Discussion

George Coburn, financial manager, introduced Bill Russell, board member, Heidi Adams, education director, Ellen Bates, board clerk/bookkeeper, and Lawrence Rogien, head of school to trustees. Mr. Rogien shared a power point presentation of the highlights of the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Coburn spoke with trustees about the goals of the board to increase efficiencies and increase enrollment in each grade level. The board worked to reduce FTE and concentrated on the IB curriculum at the high school level. A collective bargaining group was organized and worked with the administration to develop the current budget. The salary schedule was changed to mirror the Meridian School District salary schedule and pay was adjusted for the start of the new school year. Trustees discussed the state reduction of funds for the next five years and the use of reserve funds to during the school year. Trustee expressed their concerns about the schools financial situation. Mr. Russell spoke to the long term sustainability of the school and their hope to use a foundation system, large donors, legacy program, grants and fund raising as part of their long term package. Detailed budget documents were not provided, and at the request of the board, Mr. Coburn will forward them to Dr. Clark for distribution.

Trustee Calinsky was excused from the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Revised Policies Approved

Trustee Ritter moved, Trustee Hand seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve revisions to Policy Code No. 401.30, *Supervision and Evaluation* as presented.

Trustee Hand moved, Trustee Ritter seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve revisions to Policy Code No. 402.41, *Vacations, Holiday, Absences and Leaves* as presented.

Board Reports/Assignments

There were no reports from the board for tonight's meeting.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Clark provided trustees with a copy of the revised strategic plan and asked they review before the plan comes to them for approval. Dr. Clark explained a change in title for Eric Exline as Director of Community Relations and advised trustees that the new title will expand his responsibilities and fits more in line with what he is already doing.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Ritter moved, Trustee Hand seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk