



West Ada

SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 31, 2018

Date, Place & Time	The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, West Ada School District, convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho.
Trustees in Attendance	Trustees: Phil Neuhoff, Mike Vuittonet, Rene Ozuna, Steve Smylie, and Ed Klopfenstein
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Mary Ann Ranells, Cheri Newbold, Eric Exline, Don Nesbitt, Geoff Stands, Ramona Lee, Cathy Wright, Denise Shumway, Cindy Sisson, and Gaye Keith
Guests	David Keith and Matt Keith
CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE	Chairman Phil Neuhoff
Amended Agenda	Trustee Smylie made a motion to move item # 8 and #9 off the consent agenda and place them under discussion and action. The good faith reason the administration received more information on the contract. Vice Chairman Vuittonet seconded, and the vote was unanimous.
Recommendation	Geoff Stands, Regional Director, had a recommendation for the NEW Principal at Eagle Elementary School of the Arts. Mr. Stands thanked the committee for the interview process. The recommendation for the new principal at Eagle Elementary School of the Arts is Corinne Hoppe. Ms. Hoppe has been in education for 20 years. Ms. Hoppe asked if the board had any questions. Vice Chairman Vuittonet and Chairman Neuhoff thanked the committee and wished Ms. Hoppe the best.
Consent Agenda	Trustee Smylie made a motion, Trustee Klopfenstein seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the amended consent agenda. Minutes of the July 10, 2018, regular board meeting Employment Recommendations Summary of Leave Requests Recommendation for the NEW Principal at Eagle Elementary School

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Request to seek Alternative Authorization - Content Specialist for:

- a. Kallia Linsteadt to teach Special Education - Deaf/Hard of Hearing for Sawtooth Middle School
- b. Jason Prindle to teach elementary Orchestra
- c. Savannah Shrum to continue to teach Special Education for Rebound School of Opportunity
- d. Sheri Staszal to teach Special Education - ERR- for Lewis and Clark Middle School
- e. Damian Valle to teach Special Education - PBI for Lake Hazel Middle School
- f. Jennifer Woodland to continue to teach Special Education - PBI for Siena Elementary School

Request to seek Alternative Authorization - Teacher to New

- a. Alex Aragon to teach Special Education - ERR for Lake Hazel Middle School
- b. Cindee Hersey to work as Library/Media Specialist for Lowell Scott Middle School
- c. Trenton Tillemans to work as a Science teacher at Rocky Mountain High School

Recommendation to approve Professional Services for Electrical, Mechanical, Structural, Transportation, and Water Engineering for a two-year period

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with the Meridian Police Department (Moved to discussion and action)

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with Ada County Sheriff's Office for 2018-2019 (Moved to discussion and action)

Recommendation to approve Bid # 818501: Irrigation Well at Christine Donnell School of the Arts

Recommendation to approve Construction Management Services for Mountain View High School Expansion

Recommendation to approve schematic design for Star Elementary School expansion

Recommendation to approve schematic design proposal for Mountain View High School Expansion

Recommendation to approve Master Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Boise State University

Recommendation to accept real property donation of 4.43 acres from Mike McCollum for Pleasant View Elementary

Disposal of District surplus

Discussion

**Revised Policy 602.1, Curriculum & Learning (second reading)
Don Nesbitt**

Don Nesbitt, Assistant Superintendent, presented Policy 602.1 with no revision since the last meeting. Mr. Nesbitt indicated this is a second reading on this policy and the other policies he is presenting tonight. The policies have all been placed on action. Trustees all thanked the committee for the updating process.

Revised Policy 602.21, Selection of Library, Classroom Library and Supplemental Education Resources, (second reading) Don Nesbitt

Don Nesbitt, Assistant Superintendent, presented Policy 602.21 with the addition of language to clarify the materials used in the classroom and give the teachers the flexibility to do so.

Revised Policy 602.22, Reconsideration of School Library, Classroom Library and Supplemental Education Resources, (second reading) Don Nesbitt

Don Nesbitt, Assistant Superintendent, presented Policy 602.22 with a minor revision to add clarification on the selection process of the committee. The committee members are selected by Trustees from each zone and the length of time is a two-year commitment. The deletion of a section in the policy, as advised by legal counsel, was removed. Trustee Klopfenstein asked the reason for the removal. Mr. Nesbitt stated the reason for the removal of the language is because the items are a public record.

Revised Policy 900, Statement of Guiding Principles, (third reading) Joe Yochum

Joe Yochum, Assistant Superintendent, presented Policy 900 with no changes. Trustees had no questions for Mr. Yochum.

Revised Policy 602.30, Textbooks, (third reading) Cindy Sisson

Cindy Sisson, Curriculum Director, presented Policy 602.30 with no changes. Trustees had no questions for Ms. Sisson.

Revised Policy 1002.3, Advertising and Commercial Activities (third reading) Eric Exline

Eric Exline, Chief Communication Director, presented Policy 1002.3 with no changes. Trustees had no questions for Mr. Exline.

Revised Policy 602.50, Title I Parent Involvement Policy (first reading) Denise Shumway

Denise Shumway, Federal Programs Director, presented Policy 602.50. There are no changes to this policy. Ms. Shumway stated this policy is reviewed every year by parents and is a requirement of federal law and is based on federal law. Trustees asked about the parent involvement at the schools. Ms. Shumway stated that all schools have made improvements. Vice Chairman Vuittonet asked about how the engagement process works. Ms. Shumway indicated this typically is done throughout the school year. Schools have a high participation rate in the events. Ms. Shumway stated that most parents trust and respect

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the teachers in the building and know they are doing right by kids. Chairman Neuhoﬀ asked about the mobility of students. Ms. Shumway stated 25% of students move in and out of our schools on a regular basis and throughout the year. This policy will return for a second reading.

Co-Sponsor the ISBA Resolution submitted by Weiser School District No. 431, Salary Based Apportionment for Classified Employees

Chairman Neuhoﬀ presented the ISBA Resolution by the Weiser School District. This resolution supports the need to address the lack of funding that is provided to pay classified staff. Chairman Neuhoﬀ addressed the different support staff that is used throughout the District. Vice Chairman Vuittonet agreed this would be a worthwhile resolution to support. Trustee Ozuna questioned any potential downsides of Co-Sponsoring this resolution. Superintendent Ranells thanked the board for supporting this resolution. She stated during the recession, classified did not receive a pay increase and had wages frozen four years in a row. She indicated the Superintendent's Association submitted a proposal that would increase funding for classified without taking funds from other areas in the education budget. The support of this resolution would make a positive statement to the classified staff. Trustees agreed the private sector can offer more money than the educational sector. Classified staff stay in the education sector because they love kids. Trustees agreed with Superintendent Ranells the West Ada Classified staff are very professional and hardworking.

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with the Meridian Police Department

Trustee Smylie asked this item to be pulled because Administration noticed an area in the contract that needed to be clarified. Administration was unable to contact anyone at the Meridian Police Department to supply additional information. Trustee Smylie wanted to go on record that he is in support of the SRO program in our schools. Trustee Smylie had concerns that more money is going to the SRO program and this could go towards education. Chairman Neuhoﬀ asked Mr. Yochum about the discrepancy. Mr. Yochum indicated the discrepancy was in the overtime section of the contract. The advice of the Meridian Police Department was to pull the item off the consent agenda until additional information can be provided. Mr. Yochum seemed to think this could be resolved by the next scheduled board meeting. Vice Chairman Vuittonet asked how the SRO are assigned to the schools and what agencies take care of what schools. Mr. Yochum stated this is determined by the location of the school.

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with Ada County Sheriff's Office for 2018-2019

Chairman Neuhoﬀ asked if any of the Trustees had any additional concerns about the SRO agreement with Ada County. This item was

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pulled for the same reason. Trustee Smylie asked about the two contracts and the cost difference. Mr. Yochum indicated the fiscal year is divided differently in this agency. Trustee Smylie asked if the District could negotiate a reduced cost if the officer was not at the school and in a training. Trustee Smylie indicated the lack of SROs five days a week and the 10-hour work day he felt was a problem. This means the school doesn't have an SRO 1 day out of the week. Vice Chairman Vuittonet and Chairman Neuhoff both agreed the 4 day a week is a problem and needs to be addressed. Trustee Smylie asked about a police substation. If this idea had been considered. Mr. Yochum stated SROs do go to training periodical to update their skills during the year. This is a benefit to us. Vice Chairman Vuittonet indicated he would like a work session to discuss school security and bring ideas to the table. Vice Chairman Vuittonet just wants to make sure we are utilizing the SROs in the most productive way and providing a safe environment for the students, parents and teachers in our district. Mr. Yochum will be contacting the agencies and will bring the contracts back to the board during the next regular scheduled meeting.

Action

Revised Policy 602.1, Curriculum & Learning

Trustee Klopfenstein made a motion, **Trustee Ozuna** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve Revised Policy 602.1.

Revised Policy 602.21, Selection of Library, Classroom Library and Supplemental Education Resources

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Smylie** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised Policy 602.21.

Revised Policy 602.22, Reconsideration of School Library, Classroom Library and Supplemental Education Resources

Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Vice Chairman Vuittonet** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised Policy 602.22.

Revised Policy 900, Statement of Guiding Principles

Trustee Ozuna made a motion, **Trustee Klopfenstein** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised Policy 900.

Revised Policy 602.30, Textbooks

Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Trustee Klopfenstein** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised Policy 602.30.

Revised Policy 1002.3, Advertising and Commercial Activities

Trustee Ozuna made a motion, **Vice Chairman Vuittonet** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve revised Policy 1002.3.

Co-Sponsor the ISBA Resolution submitted by Weiser School District No. 431, Salary Based Apportionment for Classified Employees

Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Trustee Ozuna** seconded, and the

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vote was unanimous to Co-Sponsor the ISBA Resolution submitted by the Weiser School District.

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with the Meridian Police Department

Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Vice Chairman Vuittonet** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to table the SRO contract with the Meridian Police Department.

Recommendation to approve SRO contract with Ada County Sheriff's Office for 2018-2019

Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Trustee Klopfenstein** seconded, and the vote was unanimous to table the SRO contract with Ada County. Trustee Klopfenstein wanted to clarify it is both contracts.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Smylie** seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk