



West Ada

SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 12, 2019

Date, Place & Time	The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, West Ada School District, convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12, 2018 at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho.
Trustees in Attendance	Trustees: Mike Vuittonet, Rene Ozuna, Steve Smylie, and Ed Klopfenstein, Phil Neuhoﬀ (excused)
Staff in Attendance	Dr. Mary Ann Ranells, Cheri Newbold, Joe Yochum, Eric Exline, Don Nesbitt, Ramona Lee, Staci Low, Shana Hawkins, Jonathan Gillen, Devan Delashmutt, Cindy Breckle, Angie Neal, Jennifer Fletcher and Cathy Wright
Guests	Sue Darden, RE Jensen, Ian Updike, Joe Walker, and Andrea Line
CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE	Chairman Ed Klopfenstein
Spotlight	Staci low, Director of Career and Technical Programs, presented the Culinary Arts accreditation through the American Culinary Federation. The program received a five-year with no deficiencies in its review. Ms. Low stated we are one of the four states in the western United States that has this accreditation. Ms. Low introduced the instructors that provide classes for students in our area High School. She introduced Vern Hickman and Brooke Scoville who instruct the capstone programs. Mr. Hickman spoke of the dedication the students have in this program. He highlighted the amazing facility and the strong support from the Board of Trustees and the Administration. Ms. Low invited the community to come and experience what culinary arts students are learning and visit Café Renaissance, on Thursday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. Trustees thanked the staff for building such a successful program.
Additional Information	Chairman Klopfenstein asked if the Clerk had any additional information to add to the consent agenda. The Clerk had three items listed below: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The stop arm violation letter would not be revised and presented to the Trustees because the updates were not available until today.2. Mr. Yochum added additional information to consent item number 18. The agreement with ISU and the parking will continue until the parking lot is completed possible by October 2019.3. Trustee Neuhoﬀ who was unable to attend asked the Trustee to consider pulling item number 18 from consent agenda.
Amended Consent	Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion to remove item number 18 from consent and place item on discussion and action as a courtesy to Trustee Neuhoﬀ. Trustee Smylie seconded and the vote was unanimous.
Consent Agenda	Trustee Smylie made a motion, Vice Chairman Vuittonet seconded, and the vote was unanimous to approve the amended consent agenda.

Consent Cont.

Payment of bills dated February 1-28, 2019

P-Card Payments dated January 1-31, 2019

Monthly Reports

Minutes of the February 26, 2019 board meeting

Associated Student Body Reports

Employment Recommendations

Summary of Leave Requests

Approve Architect for IFAA

Approve Architects contracts with:

- a. Hummel for Meridian High School locker room remodel
- b. HSA for Lewis and Clark Middle School re-roof

Approve Owyhee High School Site Work and rebid for dry wall and framing

Approve remaining Star Elementary bids

Recommendation to award Switch Refresh RFP to CompuNet

Recommendation to award Firewall RFP to CompuNet

Recommendation to award UPS RFP to CompuNet

Recommendation to approve Internet RFP

Disposal of Surplus Technology items

Request to add IB Math Analysis SL I & II and IB Math Application SL I & II to 19-20 Renaissance High School Course Description Book

Request to approve Memorandum of Agreement between West Ada School District and Idaho State University

Travel request to take Rocky Mountain High School Editor Team to attend the Journalism Education Association in Anaheim, California, leaving April 24th and returning April 29th, 2019

Disposal of District Surplus

Non-resident student enrollment request for the 2018-2019 school year

Non-resident student enrollment request for the 2019-2020 school year

Discussion

Request reauthorization for Meridian Medical Arts Charter High School

Joe Yochum, Assistant Superintendent, presented a statement to include the intentions to renew both charter schools. He stated administration is asking to renew the existing charter for the Meridian Technical Charter High School and the Meridian Medical Charter Arts High School. Both Schools have met the criteria for charter renewal and have made application for a new five-year term that will begin July 1, 2019 and end June 30, 2024. The recommendation from West Ada administration is to renew the existing charters for both schools with no changes – we would further recommend that motions made to renew the charters for both schools include language indicating that the board is only renewing the existing charters for a new five-year term.

Request reauthorization for Meridian Technical Charter High School

See above information that included this item. Two separate motions will be made in the action portion of the agenda.

Renewal Contract and Amendment to Facility and School Bus Use Agreement with Cascade Transportation (Miranda Carson)

Miranda Carson, Transportation Liaison, presented the negotiated contract with Cascade Transportation. The overall contract reflects the increase of routes by a minimum of 2% not to exceed 5%. The contract has Cascade providing upgrades to software, landscaping of the bus barn grounds, video upgrades in buses and clarifying information on field trip process. Clarification on the capacity a bus safely carries, which is different than the legal capacity. Clarification regarding responsibility of students, the contract now says the responsibility of the driver begins when the student is at the bus stop, the flashers and stop sign are out, and students have begun the process of boarding the bus. The contract further requires a bus aide to escort a student to the student's home if that is a requirement of the student's IEP. The contract also included the immediate reporting of an accident (when safe to do so). Ms. Carson stated all parties felt the negotiated contract was fair. Trustees thanked Ms. Carson for the outstanding job. Trustee Smylie asked about the deletion of the Affordable Care Act. Ms. Carson stated this was deleted so Cascade can determine what insurance they will provide. This contract does not change the benefits Cascade employees currently receive. Ms. Carson explained what happens when the number of routes change. If we go over 23 buses in the next 5 years, then the contract will be renegotiated. Typically, the addition of a bus has what Ms. Carson stated a caterpillar effect. We add a bus this decreases the number on another bus and we fill the bus, the next year we may not have to add a bus so it all depends on programs added or the boundaries of a school being changed. Vice Chairman Vuittonet wanted to know how much the district is saving since we have contracted with Cascade. Ms. Carson stated the amount needs to be looked at in several different ways. We have decreased the walk zone, added back kindergarten bussing and decreased the amount of our insurance. Ms. Carson stated we transport 11,6000 students per year. Trustees thanked Ms. Carson.

Revised Policy 300. Superintendent of School (second reading) Dr. Ranells

Dr. Ranells, Superintendent, presented revised Policy 300 with no changes.

Revised Policy 1001.3, Updated and Changed to Policy 605, Instructional Technology (first reading) Devan DeLashmutt

Devan DeLashmutt, Chief Technology Director, presented the updates to this policy which included a number change to Policy 605. Mr. DeLashmutt outlined the updates which included the laws, acceptable uses, internet safety,

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proper content, opt out and who is responsible to enforcing acceptable use of the internet. The updates also included the responsibilities of the Internet Safety Officer and the role this person or persons will be responsible for. Chairman Klopfenstein asked why the Communication Act of 1934 was deleted and why the policy listed all inappropriate internet categories. Mr. DeLashmutt indicated he would look into both of the request and have this policy return for a second reading. Dr. Ranells requested that the policies presented tonight be approved in two readings, so the student handbook can be printed for next year.

Removal of Policy 1001.4, E-mail and Electronic Communications Use (first reading) Devan DeLashmutt

Devan DeLashmutt, Chief Technology Director, indicated items in this policy will be moved to other policy. Trustee Ozuna asked Mr. Delashmutt to clarify what policies pertain to students and what policy pertain to staff.

Revised Policy 502.81, Student Computer, Network, Information System, and Internet Acceptable use (first reading) Devan DeLashmutt

Devan DeLashmutt, Chief Technology Director, presented updates to Policy 502.81. The updates included unacceptable uses of District technology, student use of social media, consequences of inappropriate use, and District limitation of liability. Chairman Klopfenstein asked about item J and the clarity, the use of USB devices and item L, stating staff can only access the internet using a district device. Trustee Smylie asked if using a personal cell phone to access internet is allowed under this policy. Mr. DeLashmutt stated the personal and work use is hard to define, both worlds seem to closely interact together. Trustee Ozuna asked about social media section and asked for the policy to be clarified before the next reading. Trustee Ozuna stated she had a hard time following both policies. Clarity needs to be made.

Request to approve Memorandum of Agreement between West Ada School District and Idaho State University

Chairman Klopfenstein indicated the past concerns with the parking agreement was the ISU students paying for parking and using West Ada parking lot. Dr. Marensik from ISU explained the money received from student parking goes towards parking security hired by ISU. Trustee Ozuna wanted to know if this was just an extension of the previous agreement. Dr. Marensik stated it is an extension. ISU hope to finish the parking lot in September.

Action

Reauthorization of Meridian Medical Arts Charter High School

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Smylie** seconded and the vote was unanimous approve the reauthorization of Meridian Medical Arts Charter High School.

Reauthorization of Meridian Technical Charter High School

Trustee Ozuna made a motion, **Trustee Smylie** seconded and the vote was unanimous approve the reauthorization of Meridian Technical Charter High School.

Renewal Contract and Amendment to Facility and School Bus Use Agreement with Cascade Transportation

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Ozuna** seconded and the vote was unanimous approve the Renewal Contract and Amendment to Facility and School Bus Use Agreement with Cascade Transportation

Revised Policy 300 Superintendent of School

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Trustee Smylie made a motion, **Trustee Ozuna** seconded and the vote was unanimous approve the revised Policy 300.

Request to approve Memorandum of Agreement between West Ada School District and Idaho State University

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Smylie** seconded and the vote was unanimous approve

Board Report

Trustee Ozuna reported on the amazing job Mr. Exline has done on the attendance zone process.

Vice Chairman Vuittonet reported on the Foundation Gala has raised over \$62,000 for the Foundation. He also reported on the possibility of raising money for a drug dog in the schools and is working with various people to see if this could be a possibility. He also invited everyone to participate in the upcoming golf tournament held by the West Ada Foundation.

Trustee Smylie reported House Bill 133 and 203 not going anywhere.

Chairman Klopfenstein thanked Jonathan Gillen(CFO) for his time and long hours working on the funding formula.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Ranells thanked the trustees for their work on legislative issues. She also wanted to thank Karen Echeveria from ISBA for all her legislative work and updates provided to Trustees on legislative issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Vuittonet made a motion, **Trustee Ozuna** seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk