



# JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2

1303 E. CENTRAL DRIVE  
MERIDIAN, IDAHO 83642

DR. LINDA CLARK  
SUPERINTENDENT

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2014

**Date, Place & Time** The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Joint School District No. 2, convened on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, 6:20 p.m., at the District Service Center, 1303 E. Central Drive, Meridian, Idaho

**Trustees in Attendance** Chairman Anne Ritter, Tina Dean, Janet Calinsky, Carol Sayles, Mike Vuittonet

**Staff in Attendance** Dr. Linda Clark, Dr. Bruce Gestrin, Trish Duncan

**Guests** Scott Wardle, Brian Leisten, Dave Leroy, Sue Darden

**CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Ritter

**Amended Agenda Approved** Trustee Calinsky moved, Trustee Sayles seconded and the vote was unanimous to amend the agenda with the removal of Item 2a, revised Policy Code No. 403.10, Family and Medical Leave Act, from Discussion/Action.

**Consent Agenda** In response to a questions from Trustee Vuittonet, Brian Leisten, CM Company, project estimator, reviewed bidding procedures with trustees. Dr. Clark explained the payment to Alert Now was an annual renewal for the software and the payment is made at the end of the fiscal year for use in the next school year. Dr. Gestrin informed the board portables would be placed at Rocky Mountain High School, Mountain View High School, Mary McPherson Elementary, Desert Sage Elementary and Fresco for the next school year.

Trustee Vuittonet moved, Trustee Sayles seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve the consent agenda as proposed. Approved items are as follow:

Vendor report for April 1-30, 2014;

ASB reports;

Employment recommendations;

Requests for leave without pay for:

- Jeremy Bunker, teacher, 2014-2015 school year;
- Natalie Y. Dalos, counselor, 2014-2015 school year;
- Jessica Fronteras, bus assistant, five (5) days;
- Tyffiny Hinckley, food tech, three (3) days;
- Julie McWhorter, teacher, 2014-2015 school year;
- Hailey Sweeten, teacher, 2014-2015 school year;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

Requests for professional leave for:

- Jeannie Anderson, off contract, to attend the Advanced Placement Institute Professional Development Workshop for Educators for AP Statistics in Riverside, California;
- Jack Blattner, Alan Heikkila, Liz Russell, Will Schumaker, Shane Stevenson, Patricia Stokes, Jason Tindal, Trent Van Leuven, Kya Vines, Steve Wilder, three (3) days, to attend the Idaho FFA State Career Development events in Moscow, Idaho;
- Michael Chilton, Mark Enger, Terra Frei, Greg Grove, Clay Long, off contract, to attend the 2014 SkillsUSA National Competition in Kansas City, Missouri;
- Jennifer Coll, six (6) days to attend Health Occupations Students of America National Leadership Conference in Orland, Florida;
- Jean Dean, Pat Cassity, Vicki Young, four (4) days, to attend the Utah School Nutrition Association Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah;
- Michael Sienkiewicz, six (6) days to attend CommVault (systems backup and recovery) training in Denver, Colorado;
- Eric Taylor, off contract, to visit Whitworth College, Gonzaga University and Rockwood Sports Medicine Clinic with Health profession students;
- Pamela Uriarte, off contract, to attend the Intensive Spanish Summer Institute in Lake Tahoe, California;

Non-resident student enrollment requests for the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school years;

New and revised job descriptions:

- NEW – Academic Coach/English Language Arts – Secondary;
- NEW – Assessment Coach;
- REVISED – Coach-Assistant-Middle/High School;
- NEW – Curriculum Coordinator;
- NEW – Grounds Worker – Seasonal;
- NEW – Occupational Therapist;
- NEW – Teacher – IB Lead;

Request from Alan Heikkila to use a district school bus to transport students to the State FFA Career Development events in Moscow, Idaho;

Improvements to district facilities at:

- Eagle High School, building and installation of a field house next to the varsity baseball field, funded through the baseball boosters;
- Pathways Middle School, installation of a skateboard rack, funded through the building equipment budget;
- Ponderosa Elementary, painting the school mascot and lettering on the gym floor, funded through the school's ASB PE account;
- Siena Elementary, installation of a community garden, funded through a \$2000 grant from the Whole Foods Foundation;

**Consent Agenda – cont.**

Bids awarded for:

- Paper goods for school nutrition to Gem State Paper & Supply in the amount of \$142,801.52;
- Frontier Elementary, interior painting to All Colors, Inc. in the amount of \$105,800;
- Lake Hazel Middle School, sewer service line to Dahle Construction, LLC in the amount of \$147,693;
- Star Elementary, interior and exterior painting to All Colors, Inc. in the amount of \$72,080;
- Two portable classroom buildings to US Modular Group, Inc. in the amount of \$147,200;
- Meridian High School remodel Phases 2B/3A as follows:
  1. Selective demo/saw cutting to Talisman Construction Services in the amount of \$248,304;
  2. Concrete to Black Eagle Construction in the amount of \$116,141;
  3. Polished concrete finishing to Epoxy Systems in the amount of \$19,000;
  4. Reinforcing steel to Harris Rebar in the amount of \$12,315;
  5. Masonry to TMC, Inc. in the amount of \$17,883;
  6. Structural steel supply to Steel West in the amount of \$173,620;
  7. Structural steel install to B & B Steel Erectors in the amount of \$64,495;
  8. Architectural Millwork to Westmark in the amount of \$74,529;
  9. Roofing, base bid award, to Upson Company in the amount of \$322,260;
  10. Doors, frames, hardware (material) to Architectural Building Supply in the amount of \$38,799;
  11. Doors, frames, hardware (install) to Architectural Building Supply in the amount of \$7,613;
  12. Skylight assemblies to Masonry Center in the amount of \$35,252;
  13. Finishes to Northwest Interiors in the amount of \$302,062;
  14. Tiling to Mesa Tile in the amount of \$11,110;
  15. Floor covering to Great Floors in the amount of \$78,727;
  16. Painting to Alpine Painting in the amount of \$29,750;
  17. Specialties to SBI Contracting in the amount of \$36,065;
  18. Lockers to SBI Contracting in the amount of \$41,565;
  19. Fire suppression to Shilo Automatic Sprinkler in the amount of \$55,780;
  20. Mechanical to Buss Mechanical in the amount of \$447,000;
  21. Electrical to Energy Enterprise Group in the amount of \$568,639;
  22. DDC Controls to Clima-Tech in the amount of \$67,857;
  23. Site work/earthwork to IRA MAC in the amount of \$223,000;

MHS - Reject and rebid bid package 14, aluminum window and glazing;

MHS - Reject and rebid bid package 23, window coverings;

MHS - Reject and rebid bid package 28, landscape;

MHS - No bids were received for bid packages 10, caulking/sealants and 22, audio-visual equipment. CM Company will contact local contractors to seek quotes for this part of the project;

MHS - Bid package 11, rough carpentry, was omitted;

**Consent Agenda – cont.** Meridian Medical Arts Charter High school PCSC performance certificate;

Meridian Technical High School PCSC performance certificate;

Temporary construction easement, permanent slope easement and compensation summary between ACHD and Joint School District No. 2 for an improvement project near Executive and Pine Street.

### **Discussion/Action**

Appeal to Participate in Graduation Ceremony  
Denied

Trustees heard an appeal for a student who has not completed district requirements to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Trustee Vuittonet moved, Trustee Dean seconded a motion to accept the recommendation of administration not to allow the student to participate in graduation ceremonies. Trustee Dean voted yes, Trustee Vuittonet voted yes, Trustee Calinsky voted yes and Trustee Sayles voted no.

REVISED Policies Approved

Trustee Vuittonet moved, Trustee Calinsky seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve recommended revisions to Policy Code No. 601.30, *Class Size and Load*. Class load size will remain the same as in the previous year and state funding will determine size in future school years.

Trustee Vuittonet moved, Trustee Calinsky seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve recommended revisions to Policy Code No. 801.70, *Un-appropriated Fund Balance and Contingency*. The 9% fund balance will be waived until the fund balance is built back up.

Trustee Dean moved, Trustee Sayles seconded and the vote was unanimous to approve recommended revisions to Policy Code No. 1003.50, *Service Animals in Schools*. The policy incorporates findings handed down during a hearing on the use of a service animal in one of the district schools.

### **Board Reports/Assignments**

Trustee Sayles reported on:

- The classified awards night
- The Framed art show
- Christine Donnell's art open house

Trustee Calinsky attended the tech charter board meeting

Trustee Vuittonet updated the board on the FAFSA competition and the TVEP College Go On committee work.

Trustee Dean was happy to report a students at MTCHS is a finalist in the doodle for Google contest. Students from MHS are finalists for the State Farm grant to promote an anti-bullying campaign and she met with bus drivers. She was reminded and amazed how our staff works for kids.

Chairman Ritter attended an ISBA meeting on future planning; a City Club lunch with the Republican candidate for state superintendent; an EdSession about strategic planning; the governor's task force on accountability and autonomy; and the Eagle High School awards assembly.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Clark updated trustees on the following items:

- attended a meeting of the career ladder and differentiated pay subcommittee
- met with Department of Labor on what programs we should offer students and what their employment needs are
- The College Western Idaho has closed their culinary arts program for new students. The district is working on an articulation agreement with the College of Southern Idaho which will allow students to earn up to fourteen credits in their senior year
- Students continue to bring more digital devices to class. Dr. Clark will provide a framework that encourages the use of these devices in our schools.
- Committee work on the Leadership Premiums continues, the plan will be presented to the board at the May 31<sup>st</sup> special board meeting.
- Negotiations continues to go well, collaborative bargaining has improved the process. She expressed confidence the teams would finish ahead of schedule and gave both teams kudos for their hard work.
- Fresco update – the attorney continues work on the agreement. 375 applications have been received as of today for the remaining seats. Trustees discussed budgetary implications to the district and asked for assurances the school would not require additional funds to open and operate. Dr. Clark stated any new students generate funds through ADA and emergency levy dollars and that would cover costs associated with the school opening.

**PERSONNEL**

Trustee Vuittonet moved, Trustee Calinsky seconded and the vote was unanimous to hire the following principals:

- Jared Christensen – Willow Creek Elementary
- Joni Leipf – Christine Donnell School of the Arts
- Peggy Ellis – Cecil D. Andrus Elementary

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Calinsky moved, Trustee Vuittonet seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

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Chairman

Clerk