

**SODA SPRINGS JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #150  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017  
Soda Springs School District Offices  
7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

<b>CHAD CHRISTENSEN</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>DAN LAU</b>	<b>VICE-CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>JIM STOOR</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>IRENE TORGESEN</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>
<b>ALAN ERICKSON</b>	<b>TRUSTEE</b>

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Christensen called the board meeting to order at 7:06pm with Vice-Chairman Lau, Trustee Torgesen, Trustee Stoor, and Trustee Erickson in attendance. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Robert Daniel, Principal Sue Hansen, three staff, five patrons, and five students.

**1.1 Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Christensen asked if any additional agenda items were needed. Clerk Balls stated that the FCCLA students were unable to attend the meeting so Agenda item # 3 is no longer needed. With no further changes brought forth to the posted agenda, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**1.2 Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Christensen invited the trustees, administration, and patrons to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 2. Student Celebration: BPA Students**

The high school's Business Professionals of America advisor, Cassi Cook reported to the board that the chapter had 26 members with 19 qualifying for the state competition and 10 qualifying for the national competition. She reviewed the accomplishments of each of the students. The board applauded the students in recognition of their success.

- 3. Student Celebration: FCCLA Students** (postponed until a future board meeting)

- 4. Read and Approve Minutes**

**4.1 Approve the Minutes of February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Board Meeting:** Vice-Chairman Lau had previously given Clerk Balls some grammatical changes to help the minutes read easier. Trustee Erickson made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 board meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **5. Ratify Bills / Budget Report**

**5.1 Ratify Bills: February 2017** – The board reviewed the bills paid during February 2017. After the discussion, Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to ratify the bills paid during February 2017. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stoor. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**5.2 Budget Report: February 2017** – The board reviewed the budget for the period ending February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**6. Correspondence:** Superintendent Stein read the resignation letter of Samantha Daniels as the High School Cardette Coach.

**7. Public Input:** Greshen Clegg, 771 Hopkins Lane, Soda Springs ID. Mrs. Clegg expressed concerns about busing the music students to their district activities, despite their low numbers.

**8. Faculty/Staff Input:** Educator Jennifer Collins mentioned that she has applied for a grant that will allow all 6<sup>th</sup> graders to attend a World History exhibit in Idaho Falls on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Principal Daniel said that they are having BIOS (Buy Into Our School) meetings to get ready for next fall. Mrs. Cook asked the board if they would consider allowing BPA leaders to wear special cords at graduation. Chairman Christensen asked that this topic be placed on next month's meeting agenda.

## **9. Old Business:**

**9.1 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 846 "Travel Allowances"

**9.2 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 850 "Purchasing"

**9.3 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 850.30 "Purchasing or Leasing Personal Property"

**9.4 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 850.60 "Service Contracts"

**9.5 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 850.90 "Public Works Construction"

**9.6 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 851 "Supplemental Bidding Procedures"

**9.7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Policy 877 "Time and Effort Reporting Requirements"

With no discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the above policies as 2<sup>nd</sup> readings. The motion as seconded by Trustee Erickson. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **10. New Business:**

**10.1 Supplement Levy Election Results:** Clerk Balls reported that the \$728,000 supplemental levy passed with 184 yes votes offset by 101 no votes. The board expressed appreciation to the district's patrons for their continued support of the supplemental levy.

**10.2 TMS Bond Resolution:** The school board discussed the TMS gym and classroom addition bond. Vice-Chairman Lau expressed concerns that the previous \$6.5 million price estimate would not cover the potential material cost increases since the failed last election. After discussing the issue at length, the remaining board members felt comfortable that this amount was sufficient to cover any increases that have occurred. Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve a resolution for calling a special election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the Joint School District No. 150, Caribou Bear Lake and Bonneville Counties, State of Idaho, a proposition relating to the issuance of up to \$6,500,000 negotiable bonds of Joint School District No. 150, Caribou, Bear Lake, and Bonneville Counties, State of Idaho, and in providing for the issuance of such bonds, the levy of a tax to pay such bonds.

The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Lau. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**10.3 2016 Utilities Report:** Clerk Balls presented the 2016 expenditures on Gas and Electricity at the three school buildings calculating the price per building square footage. The board asked if the TMS gym was included in the TMS building square footage totals as well as the District Office and Annex Building. Clerk Balls will research this and report back to the board next meeting.

**10.4 Committee Selections: Negotiations & General Contractor Selection:** Clerk Balls asked for board member assignments for the Negotiation Committee and the General Contractor Selection Committee. After the discussion, Chairman Christensen asked Trustee Erickson and Trustee Torgesen to serve on the Negotiation Committee and Vice-Chairman Lau and Trustee Stoor to serve on the General Contractor Selection Committee.

**10.5 1st Reading EDGAR Policy Manual:** This manual is federally required and mandated to have in our district to receive federal dollars. After a brief discussion, Vice-Chairman Lau made a motion to approve the EDGAR policy as 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Trustee Erickson seconded the motion. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **11. Superintendent & Chairman Report:**

**11.1 Idaho Ed Law Seminar – April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> – Boise:** Vice-Chairman Lau and Trustee Erickson mentioned that they are available to attend this seminar. Clerk Balls will register them for this seminar.

**11.2 ISBA Board Training:** Clerk Balls reported that the ISBA trainers will be in our area next week on Tuesday and asked if the board felt they could come together for training that day. After a discussion, it was decided to ask the ISBA for training in the later part of May.

Superintendent Stein then briefly discussed updated numbers on the teacher shortage and handed out an article to the board. She talked about progress on her evaluation and additional education efforts in the school.

**12. Adjournment.** The board discussed the April board meeting location and time. It was determined to hold the April board meeting in the TMS gym with the regular business starting at 5:30pm and then presentations on the TMS gym and tours starting at 7:00pm.

With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Christensen declared the meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.