

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

**October 22nd, 2014
THIRKILL SCHOOL LIBRARY
6:30 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JIM STOOR	CHAIRMAN
CHAD CHRISTENSEN	VICE-CHAIRMAN
IRENE TORGESEN	TRUSTEE
DAN LAU	TRUSTEE

- 1. 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Stoor called the Board meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Chairman Stoor, Vice-Chairman Christensen, Trustee Lau, and Trustee Torgesen were in attendance. Trustee Erickson was previously excused from the meeting. Also in attendance were Superintendent Molly Stein, Clerk Jonathan Balls, Principal Sue Hansen, Principal Debra Daniels, Principal Robert Daniel, Counselor Chris Ledbetter, Counselor Kathy Hatch, Educator Dana Crowther, Educator Dorilee Clegg, and one patron.
 - 1.1 Approval of Agenda.** Chairman Stoor asked if any additional agenda items were needed. Superintendent Stein said that a small change was needed to policy 578 “Student Participants Drug Testing Policy”. Chairman Stoor added that as agenda item 8.8. With no further changes, Trustee Lau made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.
 - 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Stoor invited the trustees, administration, staff, and patron to join Clerk Balls in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Read and Approve Minutes.**
 - 2.1 Approve the Minutes of September 23rd, 2014 Board Meeting:** With no changes needed to the meeting minutes, Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 23rd, 2014. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Ratify Bills / Budget Report**
 - 3.1 Ratify Bills: September 2014** - The board asked several questions of Clerk Balls regarding the bills from September 2014. After the discussion, Trustee Lau made a motion to ratify the bills from September 2014. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen. The motion passed unanimously.
 - 3.2 Budget Report: September 2014** – The board asked questions of Clerk Balls regarding the Budget from September 2014.
- 4. Correspondence:** None
- 5. Public Input:** None

6. Faculty/Staff Input: None

7. Old Business:

- 7.1 Financial Audit 2013-2014:** After having a few weeks to review the audit, Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to accept the Financial Audit for the 2013-2014 school year. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7.2 2nd Reading: Policy 205 “Strategic Planning”**
- 7.3 2nd Reading: Policy 228 “Board Member Conflict of Interest”**
- 7.4 2nd Reading: Policy 304 “Superintendent Appointment”**
- 7.5 2nd Reading: Policy 305 “Superintendent Evaluation”**
- 7.6 2nd Reading: Policy 409.50 “Administrative Leave for Certificated Employees”**
- 7.7 2nd Reading: Policy 442 “Code of Ethics for Certificated Employees”**
- 7.8 2nd Reading: Policy 444 “Certificated Contracts”**
- 7.9 2nd Reading: Policy 446 “Negotiations”**
- 7.10 2nd Reading: Policy 448 “Reduction in Force regarding Certificated Employees”**
- 7.11 2nd Reading: Policy 449 “Release from Contract of Certificated Employees”**
- 7.12 2nd Reading: Policy 454 “Discharge of Certificated Employees”**
- 7.13 2nd Reading: Policy 466 “Leadership Premiums for Instructional Employees”**
- 7.14 2nd Reading: Policy 476P1 “Grievance Procedure for Non-Certificated Employees”**
- 7.15 2nd Reading: Policy 560 “Epinephrine Auto-Injectors”**
- 7.16 2nd Reading: Policy 561 “Administering Medications”**
- 7.17 2nd Reading: Policy 602 “Accreditation”**
- 7.18 2nd Reading: Policy 606 “Selection of Curriculum Materials”**
- 7.19 2nd Reading: Policy 607 “Elementary School Required Instruction”**
- 7.20 2nd Reading: Policy 608 “Middle School Required Instruction”**
- 7.21 2nd Reading: Policy 609.50 “Awarding HS credit for Courses taken prior to 9th Grade”**
- 7.22 2nd Reading: Policy 631 “Open Enrollment”**
- 7.23 2nd Reading: Policy 632 “8 in 6 Program”**
- 7.24 2nd Reading: Policy 632.50 “Mastery Advancement Program (MAP)”**
- 7.25 2nd Reading: Policy 633 “Dual Credit Programs”**
- 7.26 2nd Reading: Policy 634 “Postsecondary Enrollment Options”**
- 7.27 2nd Reading: Policy 681.50 “Student Data”**
- 7.28 2nd Reading: Policy 740 “Duties of Bus Drivers”**

After reviewing the changes to the few policies, Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to approve the above policies as 2nd reading. The motion was seconded by Trustee Torgesen. The motion passed unanimously.

8. New Business:

- 8.1 Thirkill ‘Leader-In-Me’ update:** Principal Hansen showed a short video to introduce ‘Leader-In-Me’. Educator Crowther talked about the environment ‘Leader-In-Me’ creates and fosters. Educator Clegg taught the board the hand signals and gestures that are taught to help the children remember the 7 habits. Principal Hansen concluded by sharing some classroom mission statements that were developed by the classroom students.
- 8.2 Resignations and New Hires:** Superintendent Stein said we have received the resignation from Jeff Uskoski as the 7th and 8th grade boys basketball coach. Vice-Chairman Christensen made a motion to accept the resignation of Jeff Uskoski as the 7th and 8th grade boys basketball coach. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lau. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8.3 Facilities Committee Recommendation:** Trustee Lau relayed the recommendation of the Facilities Committee to start the process of looking into the possibility of building a new High School, a TMS gym, and some classrooms and common area at the Thirkill School.

After discussion, Chairman Stoor suggested that we have a specific work meeting on December 3rd at 6:30pm at the District Offices to continue to discuss this possibility.

8.4 When to approve overnight stays? Principal Daniel compiled a list of all the possible overnight trips that the high school clubs and teams might take. Chairman Stoor reviewed the policy and stated that anything outside of the IHSAA sanctioned game or meet needs to be reviewed by the board. It can be done in one meeting at the beginning of the year.

8.5 Review Policy 1054: “Recruitment of High School Students”

8.6 Review Policy 1002: “Parent Involvement in Educational Process”

8.7 Review Policy 679.50 “Homeless Student Education”

The above three policies needed to be reviewed by the board to fulfill a requirement of an upcoming Federal Programs audit. The board reviewed the policies and did not make any changes.

8.8 Policy 578 “Student Participants Drug Testing Policy” Principal Daniel wanted a wording change in first paragraph on the first page under the ‘Guidelines and Procedures for Testing’. In the sentence, “Forty percent (40%) of all participants will be randomly tested during the first few weeks of the fall and spring seasons in which they participate in said activity.”, the words “*first few weeks of the fall and spring seasons*” will be replaced with the words “*sports season*”. Chairman Stoor asked that Principal Daniel make the change.

9. Superintendent & Chairman Report:

9.1 Soda Shooting Club: Superintendent Stein talked to the board about a patron that would like to use the Hooper Building to start a 4-H Shooting Club. Per Superintendent Stein’s request our lawyer has reviewed doing this and found nothing illegal in State statute or Federal Law. After a discussion of the fire arm used and the backstop used, the board asked Superintendent Stein to see if the patron could use the Annex building at the Tigert Middle School.

9.2 ISBA Annual Convention: Clerk Balls reminded the board of the Annual Convention in Boise on November 12th – 14th. All the board members are registered and hotel rooms reserved.

9.3 Agrium – Lane Creek Mine: Vice-Chairman Christensen updated the board on the efforts of our local Agrium plant to secure further mining permits at the Lane Creek Mine.

10. Strategic Planning – Update: Superintendent Stein updated the board on the progress to the Strategic Plan and what is needed to complete it.

11. Executive Session: None

12. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Stoor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:34pm.